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Hospital Emergency Scheme

Dear Pharmacist,

The Hospital Emergency Scheme has been expanded to allow persons with established eligibility under the GMS who are provided with a prescription on their discharge from a residential palliative care setting (hospice) to obtain a maximum of seven days' supply without undue delay. You are reminded of the arrangements in place for this scheme;

- (a) A dispensing pharmacist must be satisfied that a named authorised person, is at the time of dispensing, eligible under the GMS scheme,
- (b) Unified Claim Forms must have attached thereto a photocopy of the relevant hospital/hospice prescription,
- (c) The medical card number of the person prescribed for and the hospital doctor code '61559' must be inserted in the space provided on the claim form,
- (d) Dispensing of emergency supply shall be on the day of issue of a hospital/hospice prescription- in special circumstances an emergency supply may be dispensed on the following day,
- (e) GMS reimbursable items only may be claimed for under this arrangement,
- (f) The person to whom dispensed items are handed over must sign for receipt of same in the space provided on the claim form. When a person other than the named person is collecting drug/medicines under this arrangement, the relationship of such person to the GMS named person should be recorded on the form.

I enclose a list of hospitals and hospices approved under the Hospital Emergency Scheme.

Yours faithfully,

Anne Marie Hoey
Primary Care Reimbursement & Eligibility



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The Emergency Hospital Prescription facility applies only to prescriptions issued by the hospitals listed below.

B-C

Bantry General Hospital
Beaumont Hospital
Cappagh National Orthopaedic Hospital
Cavan Monaghan Hospital
Children's University Hospital, Temple Street
Connolly Hospital Blanchardstown
Coombe Women's Hospital
Cork University Hospital
Cork University Maternity Hospital
Croom Orthopaedic Hospital (UL Hospitals)

D-L

Dublin Dental Hospital
Ennis Hospital (UL Hospitals)
Incorporated Orthopaedic Hospital of Ireland, Clontarf
Kerry General Hospital, Tralee
Kilcreene Regional Orthopaedic Hospital, Kilkenny
Letterkenny University Hospital
Louth County Hospital, Dundalk

M-N

Mallow General Hospital
Mater Misericordiae University Hospital
Mayo General Hospital, Castlebar
Mercy University Hospital, Cork
Merlin Park Hospital, Galway
Midland Regional Hospital, Mullingar
Midland Regional Hospital, Portlaoise
Midland Regional Hospital, Tullamore
Naas General Hospital,
National Maternity Hospital, Holles Street
National Rehabilitation Hospital, Dun Laoghaire
Nenagh Hospital (UL Hospitals)

O-R

Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda
Our Lady's Hospital, Navan
Our Lady's Children's Hospital Crumlin
Peamount Hospital, Newcastle
Portiuncula Hospital, Ballinasloe
Roscommon County Hospital
Rotunda Hospital
Royal Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital, Dublin

S-T

Sligo General Hospital
South Infirmery-Victoria Hospital, Cork
South Tipperary General Hospital
St Columcille's Hospital, Loughlinstown
St James's Hospital
St John's Hospital, Limerick City (UL Hospitals)
St Luke's General Hospital, Kilkenny
St Luke's Hospital, Rathgar (Cancer Services)
St Mary's Orthopaedic Hospital, Gurranebraher, Cork
St Michael's, Dun Laoghaire
St Vincent's University Hospital, Elm Park
Tallaght Hospital (AMNCH)

U-W

University College Hospital, Galway
University Hospital Limerick
University Maternity Hospital (UL Hospital)
University Hospital Waterford
Wexford General Hospital

The Emergency Hospital Prescription facility applies only to prescriptions issued by the hospices listed below.

Donegal Hospice
Galway Hospice
Kerry Palliative Care Inpatient Unit
Marymount Hospice, Cork
Milford Hospice, Limerick
North West Hospice, Sligo
Our Lady's Hospice and Care Services, Harold's Cross and Blackrock
St. Brigid's Hospice, Kildare
St. Francis Hospice, Raheny and Blanchardstown



The National Maternity Hospital
Vita Gloriosa Vita ~ Life Glorious Life

Maternal & Newborn – Clinical Management System (MN-CMS)

Background

The Maternal & Newborn Clinical Management System is a landmark project for Ireland and is unique across the world – the first national maternity electronic health record (EHR) for all mothers and their babies.

The MN-CMS project will result in all 19 of Ireland's maternity services implementing the new system.

Implementation of MN-CMS in the Rotunda Hospital and the National Maternity Hospital

We are delighted to inform you, that as part of the introduction of MN-CMS, maternity services in Ireland will start to move from handwritten to printed outpatient and discharge prescriptions. Following the successful launch of the electronic health record in Cork University Maternity Hospital in December last year and at University Hospital Kerry in March, ***the Rotunda Hospital will go live on November 18th 2017***. The NMH will then follow in early 2018.

Benefits of Introducing MN-CMS

The move to a printed prescription brings many medication safety benefits including:

- increased prescription legibility
- clear prescriber details
- up-to-date weights for infants
- clinical decision support

In addition, each prescription item has a unique identifying number which can be tracked back to the individual patient health record for verification purposes if required.

Prescriptions for controlled drugs will remain handwritten to comply with legal requirements.

For more information on the Maternal & Newborn Clinical Management System project see:

<http://www.ehealthireland.ie/Strategic-Programmes/MNCMS/>

For queries related to this initiative please contact the MN-CMS Medication Lead Brian Cleary bcleary@rotunda.ie

For queries related to individual prescriptions please contact the prescriber via the source hospital.



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Website: www.ehealthireland.ie/MN-CMS