
1. Introduction

The NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde (NHSGGC) Adult Medicines Formulary predominantly consists of Prescription Only Medicines (POMs) with some medicines included which can be classified as either Pharmacy only (P) or General Sales List (GSL). New medicines are often classified as POMs and the majority of these are expected to be assessed by the Scottish Medicines Consortium (SMC). However, other classes of medicines and medical devices will not be assessed by the SMC, and therefore, do not automatically get considered for formulary inclusion. This document outlines the process for evaluating and including medical devices, non-POMs and complimentary medicines in the NHSGGC Adult Medicines Formulary.

2. Medical devices

Consideration for inclusion in the GGC Adult Medicines Formulary will be given for medical devices meeting the following criteria:

- The medical device is listed in the British National Formulary (BNF) and
- The medical device is listed in the Scottish Drug Tariff and is prescribable on a GP10 prescription

Medical devices meeting the above criteria will be considered by the Medicines Utilisation sub-committee after an application via the [Formulary Appeals Process](#).

3. Non-Prescription Only Medicines (Non-POMs)

A Pharmacy only or a General Sales List medicine will be evaluated and considered for the NHSGGC Adult Medicines Formulary only if it is either a new chemical entity and/or at the discretion of the Medicines Utilisation sub-committee.

4. Complimentary medicines

Herbal and homeopathic medicines are not included in the formulary due to a lack evidence of clinical efficacy and cost-effectiveness.