

THE DRUG TARIFF 1953, AMENDMENT NO. 3

PURSUANT to section 90 of the Social Security Act 1938, the Minister of Health hereby gives the following direction:

1. This direction may be cited as the Drug Tariff 1953, Amendment No. 3, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Drug Tariff 1953* (hereinafter referred to as the Drug Tariff).

2. Clause 10 of the Drug Tariff (which relates to certified extended supply conditions) is hereby amended by omitting the words "not exceeding three months", and substituting the words "of not less than two months and not more than three months".

3. The Second Schedule to the Drug Tariff is hereby amended, as from the 1st day of August 1954, by inserting, in their appropriate alphabetical order, the following items:

"Elixir of piperazine hydrate (antepar).

"Liquor Vitaminorum A et D containing in 1 gram 25,000 units of vitamin A and 2,500 units of vitamin D.

"Oculentum terramycin with polymixin B: one tube.

"Tablets of calcium gluconate $7\frac{1}{2}$ grains with calciferol $\frac{1}{4800}$ grain (500 units) (ostogluconate tablets).

"Tablets of dried aluminium hydroxide gel 4.7 grains with magnesium hydroxide 12 grains (aludrox tablets).

"Tablets of piperazine adipate (entacyl tablets)."

4. The Drug Tariff is hereby amended by revoking the Fourth Schedule, and substituting the new Fourth Schedule set out in the Schedule hereto.

5. (1) The Fifth Schedule to the Drug Tariff is hereby amended, as from the 1st day of August 1954, by omitting from clause 3 the words "Terramycin intravenous for injection", and substituting the words "Terramycin for injection".

(2) The said Fifth Schedule is hereby further amended by inserting in clause 4, after the words "Hexamethonium bromide", the words "Hexamethonium chloride".

6. The Seventh Schedule to the Drug Tariff is hereby amended by revoking rule 13 (as substituted by clause 3 of the Drug Tariff 1953, Amendment No. 1, and amended by the Drug Tariff 1953, Amendment No. 2), and substituting the following rule:

"13. Application to Prescription Pricing Supplements.-For the purpose of payment of pharmaceutical benefits claims, the pricing of a medical prescription in accordance with rule 1 of this Schedule shall apply to the Official Schedules and Rules for Prescription Pricing

* Statutory Regulations 1953, Serial number 1953/123, page 631. Amendment No. 1: Statutory Regulations 1954, Serial number 1954/23, page 62. Amendment No. 2: Statutory Regulations 1954, Serial number 1954/62, page 291.

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(August 1954) issued by the Pharmacy Plan Industrial Committee, in respect of all claims and supporting prescriptions, whatever the date thereof, that are received by a Medical Officer of Health on or after the 16th day of August 1954."

7. The Eighth Schedule to the Drug Tariff is hereby amended, as from the 1st day of August 1954, by adding the following clause:

"3. The following materials are allowed pursuant to a radiological supply order specified on the headed paper or prescription of a radiological specialist:

"Such radiological contrast media as are specified in the drug tariff, and such other media as are from time to time approved by the Director-General of Health."

8. The Drug Tariff 1953, Amendment No. 1, and the Drug Tariff 1953, Amendment No. 2, are hereby consequentially revoked.

SCHEDULE

NEW FOURTH SCHEDULE TO DRUG TARIFF

"FOURTH SCHEDULE

MATERIALS INCLUDED IN THE DRUG TARIFF TO THE EXTENT, IF ANY, HEREIN SPECIFIED AND FOR THE PURPOSES HEREIN SPECIFIED, WHEN SUPPLIED ON A SPECIALLY ENDORSED PRESCRIPTION*

Name

Approved Purpose

Clause 5 (4)

| 1. | Nicotinyl alcohol tartrate tablets 25 mg. Nicotinyl alcohol ampoules 100 mg. in 2 ml. (This drug is known under the trade name "Ronicol") Tolazoline hydrochloride tablets 25 mg. Tolazoline hydrochloride ampoules 25 mg. in 1 ml. (This drug is known under the trade name "Priscol") | | | | Solely for use in the treatment of obliterative arteritis or of R a y n a u d's disease. |
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| 2. | Cortisone eye drops Cortisone eye ointment | | | | Solely on the prescription of an ophthalmo- logist. |

* NOTE —A contractor shall not claim on the Fund in respect of any medical prescription ordering any one or more of the above-mentioned materials unless the prescription has been endorsed in the handwriting of the medical practitioner with the words 'Certified Fourth Schedule condition'."

Dated at Wellington, this 21st day of July 1954.

J. R. MARSHALL, Minister of Health.

Issued under the Authority of the Regulations Act 1936. Date of notification in *Gazette*: 22 July 1954. These regulations are administered in the Department of Health.