



# Medicine Supply Notification

Levomepromazine 25mg/1ml solution for injection

Tier 2 – medium impact\*

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## Summary

- Levomepromazine (Nozinan<sup>®</sup>/Sanofi) 25mg/1ml solution for injection is out of stock.
- Anticipated re-supply date: week commencing 24 February 2020.
- Levomepromazine (Wockhardt) 25mg/1ml solution for injection is in stock.

## Actions Required

### Primary care:

Community pharmacies should:

- use up their stock of Nozinan<sup>®</sup>; and
- then place orders for the Wockhardt product to meet patient demand until the Sanofi re-supply date.

### Secondary care:

Trust pharmacy procurement and clinical teams both in Sanofi AND Wockhardt contracted regions should:

- review stock holding of levomepromazine solution for injection and centralise stock in Trust pharmacy where appropriate;
- reserve remaining stock for those patients for whom first line parenteral agents for terminal agitation and nausea and vomiting have proven ineffective;
- use up local stock holding; and
- only place orders for Wockhardt product if stock at Trust is unlikely to cover forecast patient demand until week commencing 24 February.

## Supporting Information

- Wockhardt product will be made available to primary and secondary care nationally, however to preserve stock and ensure there is no patient impact, Trusts are asked to only place orders when stock they already hold at Trust has been depleted. This applies to all regions regardless of contracted supplier.
- Orders will be monitored and any overordering will be challenged.
- Wockhardt is making stock available via selected branches of AAH, Alliance, Mawdsleys and Phoenix. This will vary across the country so please check with your local wholesalers.
- UKMI have produced the following memo to support trusts during the shortage <https://www.sps.nhs.uk/articles/shortage-of-levomepromazine-hydrochloride-25mg-ml-solution-for-injection/>

## Enquiries

Enquiries from primary care should be directed to [DHSCmedicinesupplyteam@dhsc.gov.uk](mailto:DHSCmedicinesupplyteam@dhsc.gov.uk) .

Enquiries from NHS Trusts in England should in the first instance be directed to your Regional Procurement Lead and who will escalate queries to national teams if required.

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