

NON-PRESCRIPTION MEDICINES 4e UPDATES, JANUARY – JUNE 2013

Chapter	Page	Heading/subheading	Update info.	Date
22	147	Insecticides/Permethrin	A study* has shown that permethrin crème rinse (15% headlice elimination rate) is much less effective than dimeticone 4% lotion (70%), and suggests that the former should be withdrawn. (*Burgess I F, Brunton E R, Burgess N A. <i>Single application of 4% dimeticone liquid gel versus two applications of 1% permethrin creme rinse for treatment of head louse infestation: a randomised controlled trial.</i> BMC Dermatology 2013, 13:5.)	April 2013
37	251	Treatment – nicotine replacement therapy	The UK Government has announced that electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes) are to be regulated as medicines by the MHRA from 2016. Currently, they are only regulated as consumer products and not as licensed medicinal products and cannot, therefore, be recommended as a safe and effective aid to support smoking cessation.	June 2013
PRODUCTS WITHDRAWN				
8	48	Sure-Lax Senna Tablets		
8	51	Milpar		
9	58	Dispello Corn and Wart Paint		
10	62	Tixylix Dry cough		
10	63	Tixylix Night Cough		
10	65	Galpseud Plus Linctus		
10	66	Meltus (both products), Tixylix Cough and Cold Linctus, Paranorm Cough Syrup		
10	67	Meltus Baby Cough Linctus		
11	71	Metanium Cradle Cap Cream		
12	75	Effercitate effervescent tablets		
14	90	Opazimes		
15	99	Imuderm therapeutic oil		
20	127	Nupercainal		
21	137	Histergan syrup and tablets		
21	140	Vividrin nasal spay		
23	164	Pepcidtwo chewable tablets		
24	170	Benadryl Skin Allergy Relief cream		
24	171	Histergan cream, Wasp-eze spray, Burneze Spray		
24	173	Lactocalamine cream		
28	197	Sea-Legs tablets, Traveleeze Soft and Chewy pastilles		
33	229	PR Heat spray, Ralgex Heat spray		
33	230	Ralgex Freeze spray		
36	247	Ascabiol emulsion		
38	263	Dequacaine		
41	280	Ecostatín Cream		
43	287	Posalfilin ointment		