



## Doncaster Place and Bassetlaw Place Medicines Optimisation Bulletin

June 2024

### NHS South Yorkshire Integrated Medicines Optimisation Committee (IMOC) Traffic Light Drug List Rationale.

There have been some changes to the document that explains the rationale behind the decisions made for TLS categorisation at IMOC meetings. To read the full document [click here](#)

Useful hyperlinks for medicines Optimisation (MO)  
To open Press control and click the link below

[IMOC Webpage](#)

[Doncaster Place Website](#)

[MPD](#)

### DIBS Update

The baseline figures are now released for the 2024/25 DIBS Programme and you can find this information and other useful resources on the DIBS page on the Medicines Management website by clicking this [link](#)

If you have any questions around DIBS, please contact the Medicines Optimisation team via our email :  
[syicb-doncaster.medicinesmanagementadmin@nhs.net](mailto:syicb-doncaster.medicinesmanagementadmin@nhs.net)

### Azathioprine and strength of tablets

#### Action: only prescribe 25mg or 50mg strengths of azathioprine

Azathioprine 75mg & 100mg tablets have been classified as **Grey\*** (criteria 3) which means that they are **not** recommended for prescribing due to:

- Risk of confusion by patients and clinicians with potential risk of accidental overdose or underdose
- Cost implication

Azathioprine 25mg & 50mg tablets remain as **Amber** for indications included on shared care protocols.

Hospital specialists have been advised not to prescribe the 75mg & 100mg strengths and community pharmacists have been asked to dispense the lower strengths of azathioprine.

Furthermore, OptimiseRx has been updated to support prescribing of the lower strengths. Please ensure that this advice is followed by colleagues in your GP practice.

### Eclipse Live Update

The Eclipse Live roll out is going well with **28** practices currently signed up and **24** have gone live. If you still have not signed up to Eclipse Live and would like to download a blank contract you can find it by [clicking this link](#)

If you have asked for access to Eclipse Live, please check your junk mail as the email may go in there. If you have any other issues with log in details please contact [support@prescribingservices.org](mailto:support@prescribingservices.org) this is maintained by a dedicated support team who will pick up and action your request as soon as possible.

#### Useful Eclipse Live Support Contacts:

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You can also request support with Eclipse Live by contacting the ICB SY Digital Transformation Product Support Team via this email:  
[syicb-rotherham.dataqualityanddigitaloptimisationteams@nhs.net](mailto:syicb-rotherham.dataqualityanddigitaloptimisationteams@nhs.net)

### Doncaster Pharmacy First Collaborative Sessions - Session 2 - UTI Pathway

Together with Doncaster Local Medical Committee (LMC) and the South Yorkshire Integrated Care Board (ICB), we are running a series of collaborative events for GP practice, community pharmacy, PCN and SY ICB Doncaster Place colleagues to explore how collaboration can support all members of the primary care team to deliver improved outcomes via the new Pharmacy First service.

Building on the success of our first gathering in June. **The second collaborative event will take place on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July and will focus on the Urinary Tract Infection (UTI) pathway.** This session will cover the clinical aspects of treating patients with suspected UTIs, providing hints and tips for reception staff on identifying patients suitable for referral, and explore strategies to optimize service delivery for both practice and pharmacy teams, by effectively utilizing this clinical pathway. The session will be delivered by **Dr Nabeel Alsindi** (Medical Director, Doncaster Place, SY ICB)

The event will be held at Mount Pleasant Hotel, Great N Road, Rossington, Doncaster, DN11 0HW and will start with networking and a buffet from **6:30pm** with the Pharmacy First session starting at **7.00pm** and closing at **8.30pm**. This will be followed by a short update from our sponsors, Lilly for those who wish to stay a little while longer.

**Please register using the link below by 11th July, 5pm so we can confirm numbers for catering**

<https://forms.office.com/e/8UNWhwNttu>

Once you've booked your place, please let us know if you can no longer attend so we can adjust catering requirements by contacting [info@cpsy.org.uk](mailto:info@cpsy.org.uk)



## Donny Dot

### Connecting people of Doncaster to mental health and wellbeing information, advice and support

The ICB (Doncaster Place) has recently reviewed and updated the 'Bereavement and Grief' and 'Pain Management' sections of the Donny Dot [website](#).

- Bereavement and Grief: a gap in provision was identified by the Palliative and End of Life Delivery Group for Doncaster, around there being no platform to refer to when looking for bereavement and grief support. A piece of work was carried out with stakeholders to map out what services are available and where this information could be hosted. It was agreed Donny Dot is the most suitable platform for this information and therefore, the 'Local Support' and 'National Support' areas of the *Bereavement and Grief* section have been updated to include information on all bereavement services for a variety of areas. Take a look [here](#).
- Pain Management: this section of Donny Dot has recently been updated, following a piece of work on developing a Self-Help Support and Education portal, which included liaison with stakeholders, General Practice, community organisations, peer support groups, and people with living experience. It was agreed to use Donny Dot as the platform to host this portal as it already had some existing information on pain management and has proven to be very user-friendly and extremely easy to maintain with up-to-date information. The 'Local Support' and 'National Support' areas of the *Pain Management* section have now been updated. Take a look [here](#).

#### Testimonial from Dr Rachel Hubbard:

'At Don Valley Healthcare we are working hard to address our opiate prescribing. These can be very difficult discussions with patients who are often reluctant to reduce their opiate use despite a shared discussion about the harms and benefits. I have found the pain resources like "Flippin' pain" that can be accessed via Donny Dot a helpful support tool and often send a link to the patient via AccuRx.'

## Top Tips for Prescribers - Did you Know?

1. The 200/6 strength of Fostair and Luforbac ICS/LABA MDI is not licenced for MART, only the 100/6 strength. For further information on the local Asthma guideline [Click here](#)
2. Humalog 100 units/ml 10ml vials are out of stock. See link for suggested alternatives. For details [Click here](#)
3. Silk garments should not routinely be prescribed in primary care. [Click Here](#) for Open Prescribing information or refer to the local wound care guidance and formulary for pathways and guidance on the [MPD](#)
4. Mild to moderate hay fever should be treated with OTC medication as directed by national and local self-care guidance, for more information [Click here](#)

For the latest Out of Stock information  
Refer to your regular emails from medicines management Admin emails.

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