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| Captopril |
| Preparations listed in the Drug tariff**Hover the mouse over the £ sign for DT prices** | [**Part VIIIA (hover the mouse here for more info):**](#PartVIIIa) | **DT price** |
| Captopril 12.5mg, 25mg, 50mg tablets | [**£**](#_Captopril) |
| Captopril 5mg/5ml oral solution S/F | £95.51 for 100ml |
| Captopril 25mg/5ml oral solution S/F | £105.96 for 100ml |
| [**Part VIIIB (hover the mouse here for more info):**](#PartVIIIb) | **DT price** |
| None |  |
| Administration in swallowing difficulties |
| Captopril oral solution can be administered using the oral dosing syringe provided.Captopril tablets can be dispersed in water (unlicensed use) before administration2, or crushed and mixed with a small amount of soft food such as yoghurt, honey or jam before swallowing, without chewing3 (unlicensed use). |
| Administration in enteral feeding tube |
| Consider switching to another ACE inhibitor which requires only once daily administration and is licensed to be administered via a feeding tube e.g. Ramipril liquidCaptopril oral solution (Thame Laboratories):Stop the feed and flush with a minimum of 5ml water. Administer the required dose of Captopril oral solution. Flush with a minimum of 10ml of water. This formulation has been shown to be suitable for use with polyurethane, latex free enteral feeding tube (8Fr, 1.7mm internal diameter, 92cm length)1.Martindale Pharma have no information on giving their oral solution, Noyada via a feeding tube4.  Captopril tablets (unlicensed use)2:Stop the feed and flush. Place tablet in barrel of syringe and disperse with 10ml of water, shaking if necessary. Flush the medicine down the tube. Draw another 10ml of water and flush the rinsing (any remaining medicine) down the tube. Flush with 10ml of water. |
| Comments |
| None |
| References1. Summary of Product Characteristics (SPC) Captopril 5mg/5ml and 25mg/5ml oral solution (Thame Laboratories) both last updated 8/11/17 [www.medicines.org.uk](http://www.medicines.org.uk) date accessed 9 September 2019
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4. Email on file: Noyada. Martindale Pharma, Medical Information. Received 20/11/2019
5. Drug Tariff September 2019 <https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/pharmacies-gp-practices-and-appliance-contractors/drug-tariff>
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| **Please note: full instructions should be provided to the person administering the medicine. This is guidance only and should not determine individualised care.** |
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