



Medicine Supply Notification

MSN/2025/002

Apomorphine hydrochloride (APO-go® PFS) 50mg/10ml solution for infusion pre-filled syringes

Tier 2 – medium impact*
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Link: Medicines Supply Tool

Summary

- APO-go® (apomorphine hydrochloride) PFS are being discontinued; supplies are anticipated to be exhausted from early April 2025.
- APO-go® POD (apomorphine hydrochloride hemihydrate) 100mg/20ml solution for infusion cartridges remain available and can support increased demand.

Actions Required

Prescribers should:

- not initiate new patients on APO-go® PFS;
- identify and review patients currently prescribed APO-go[®] PFS;
- consider prescribing APO-go® POD where appropriate, maintaining the same dose regimen, and ensuring all patients initiated onto the new device are counselled on the change, and provided with appropriate training on its use (see Supporting information); and
- if the above options are not considered suitable, seek advice from specialist Parkinson's Disease teams for further guidance.

Supporting information

Trusts who have access to Britannia nursing teams should liaise directly to organise and provide training to patients switching to APO-go® POD. If patients receive ongoing treatment with APO-go® PFS in Primary Care, clinicians can liaise with their specialist Parkinson's Disease teams to understand if Britannia nursing provision is available to provide training on new devices.

If Britannia nursing provision is not available within a particular Trust, clinicians can contact Britannia Pharmaceuticals Medical Information Department directly for any queries.

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Links to further information

BNF: Apomorphine Hydrochloride

SmPC: APO-go® PFS 5mg/ml solution for infusion in pre-filled syringe

SmPC: APO-go® POD 5mg/ml solution for infusion in cartridge

Enquiries

Enquiries from NHS Trusts in England should in the first instance be directed to your Specialist Pharmacy Service Regional Pharmacy Procurement Team, who will escalate to national teams if required.

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