



Humber Area Prescribing Committee

# NEWSLETTER April-June 2023

For further information about HAPC documents go to:  
<https://www.northernlincolnshireapc.nhs.uk/apc-documents/>

For the Humber Joint Formulary go to:  
[Humber APC Formulary \(apcnlgformulary.nhs.uk\)](https://www.humberapcformulary.nhs.uk/)

## Traffic Light Classification within HAPC:

**RED** – specialist prescriber only

**AMBER SCF** – prescribed in accordance with approved shared care framework

**AMBER 1** (Guideline or Specialist Led) – prescribed on advice of specialist or in line with national / local guideline

**AMBER 2** (Specialist initiation and stabilisation) – initiated and stabilised by specialist

**GREEN** – other items listed on formulary suitable for initiation and prescribing by any prescriber

The Humber APC was formed in April 2022 merging Hull and East Riding Prescribing Committee (HERPC) and Northern Lincolnshire Area Prescribing Committee. The joint formulary alignment is currently ongoing with the joint formulary being hosted on the Northern Lincolnshire APC netFormulary website. Further details on the different classifications are at the end of the newsletter.

- Hull and East Riding of Yorkshire joint formulary users should still refer to the HERPC joint formulary first and if then if directed within the formulary check the Humber APC formulary.
- Northern Lincolnshire users can continue to use the netFormulary website as normal.

## ADDITIONS TO RED LIST and updated guidance for RED drugs

**Aprotinin (off label usage – HUTH)**

**Tezepelumab (TA880)**

**Hydrocortisone MR (paediatric endocrinology only)**

**Cefiderocol**

**Eptinezumab (TA871)**

**IBD Guidance- HUTH only**

## NEW & UPDATED SCF (Amber SCF)

[ADHD- North Lincolnshire only](#)

[ICB Valproate SCF](#)

## GREEN DRUGS

**Morphine sulphate orodispersible tablets (Actimorph®)**

**Tranexamic acid tablet preparations**

## Updated chapters in joint formulary

**Chapter 13 – live on netFormulary (HERPC chapter removed)**

## NEW & UPDATED GUIDELINES/SPECIALIST LED MEDICINES (Amber 1 and Amber 2)

[Distress in dementia](#)

[Anticoagulation for non-valvular atrial fibrillation \(NVAf\) following NHSE DOAC commissioning recommendation](#)

[Amber guidance-Orthostatic \(Postural\) hypotension](#)

[Amber 2 guidance – Cenobamate](#)

[MS Guideline](#)

**Buspirone- AMBER 1**

**Dapagliflozin and Empagliflozin (AMBER 1)**

**Finerone (TA877)- AMBER 2**

**Dexcom One (rt-CGM) – approved as Amber 1/Amber 2 awaiting CGM policy from ICB**

### Traffic Light Status Information

| Status  | Description  |
|---------|--|
| GREEN   | Medicines suitable for routine use within primary care and Secondary care. May be initiated within primary care within their licensed indication, in accordance with nationally recognised formularies   |
| AMB 1   | Specialist recommendation: These medicines are considered suitable for GP prescribing following specialist recommendation or via an APC approved prescribing guideline.  |
| AMB 2   | Specialist initiation: These medicines are considered suitable for GP prescribing following specialist initiation, including titration of dose and assessment of efficacy. These medicines may also have an APC approved guideline to aid GPs in further prescribing.  |
| AMB SCP | AMBER SHARE CARE PROTOCOL- Specialist initiation with ongoing monitoring: Medicines that must be initiated by a specialist, and which require significant monitoring on an ongoing basis. Full agreement to share the care of each specific patient must be reached under the shared care protocol which must be provided to the GP. If a commissioned shared care is not available in CCG/place then these drugs must be treated as red drug (hospital only). |
| RED     | Red-Hospital initiation and continuation only  |
| GREY    | GREY- NON FORMULARY (As agreed by Area Prescribing Committee)  |
| PURPLE  | To be supplied from the appropriate commissioned provider.   |
| NR      | Not routinely commissioned   |