

Head Office Level 1, 30-34 Hickson Rd, Millers Point, NSW 2000 P: 02 9298 3999 F: 02 9566 4686

> Manufacturing & Human Resources 15 Garnet St, Carole Park QLD 4300

17 November 2023

Dear Healthcare Professional,

## Shortage of Dexamethasone Viatris 8mg/2mL vials Aust R 163199 and supply arrangement under Section 14 and 14A of the *Therapeutic Goods Act 1989*

The Australian registered medicine, DEXAMETHASONE VIATRIS 8mg/2mL solution for injection AUST R 163199, sponsored by Alphapharm Pty Ltd (trading as Viatris), has been unavailable since 1 April 2022.

Alphapharm has been able to arrange supply of further quantities of this product to the market . under an approval granted by the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) under section 14 and 14A of the *Therapeutic Goods Act 1989* until 30 June 2024.

The following batches have been released:

7608352 - Sep-24 7608358 - Sep-24 7608359 - Sep-24 7608360 - Sep-24 7608369 - Sep-24 7608410 - Oct-24 7608411 - Oct-24 7608412 - Oct-24 7608423 - Oct-24 7608424 - Oct-24 7608778 - Feb-25 7608802 - Feb-25 7608807 - Feb-25 7608808 - Feb-25

## **PBS Reimbursement**

Dexamethasone Viatris 8mg/2mL solution for injection AUST R 163199 is not listed for reimbursement on the PBS.

## **Adverse Event Reporting**

Reporting any suspected adverse event is important for the continued monitoring of the safety of all medicines. Any adverse events which are experienced with [section 14 and 14A approved medicine] should be reported by healthcare professionals and patients to:

- TGA at <u>https://aems.tga.gov.au/;</u> and/or
- Viatris on 1800 274 276 or by email medinfo\_anz@viatris.com

Viatris.com.au Alphapharm Pty Ltd trading as Viatris | ABN 93 002 359 739

Viatris Pty Ltd | ABN 29 601 608 771

Upjohn Australia Pty Ltd | ABN 50 629 389 911

Please forward this information to relevant staff members in your organisation.

For further information, please contact Viatris on 1800 274 276 or email ausalessupport@viatris.com.

Yours sincerely

Judy Bott Institutional Business Manager Alphapharm Pty Ltd (trading as Viatris) DEX-2023-0018

Viatris.com.au Alphapharm Pty Ltd trading as Viatris | ABN 93 002 359 739

Viatris Pty Ltd | ABN 29 601 608 771

Upjohn Australia Pty Ltd | ABN 50 629 389 911