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Explanation to price and consumption list in Appendix II

The list is designed in accordance with the principles set out in the Danish Medicines Agency's guidelines of 4 July 2006 for evaluation and comparison of medicinal products in reassessments of reimbursement status.

The price lists are divided into the following eight columns:

Column 1: ATC

The ATC code for the active substance or the group of medicinal products.

Column 2: Active substance/group

The name of the active substance or the group of active substances.

Column 3: Number of people undergoing treatment

Data from the Danish Medicines Agency's Register of Medicinal Product Statistics concerning the number of persons undergoing treatment with the individual active substance or group of substances in 2006 and 2007. The figures show the total number of persons undergoing treatment with all pharmaceutical forms of the active substance in question.

Column 4: Dose used

The dose or dose interval used in the price list with specification of source. If available, equieffective or possibly recommended doses are used. Alternatively, DDD values are used.

Column 5: Pharmaceutical form

The pharmaceutical forms of the active substance concerned.

Column 6: Strength

The strength(s) selected as the basis of the price calculation. The strength is selected on the basis of the dose used, which is listed in column 4, as well as the recommended number of ingestions per day. If a dose interval is specified in column 4, several strengths may be specified in column 6.

Column 7: Average lowest unit price (DKK)

The average lowest unit price is the average of the lowest price per unit for the active substance in question for the latest six price periods.

The lowest unit price in a price period is the lowest price per unit among all products and pack sizes for a given active substance in a given pharmaceutical form (or substitutable pharmaceutical forms) i.e. the lowest reimbursement price. This unit price is identical to the reimbursement price which applies to dose-dispensed medicinal products.

If several strengths are specified in column 6, column 7 will list a similar number of prices.

Column 8: Average lowest price of treatment per day (DKK)

The price of treatment per day is calculated on the basis of the information in columns 4, 6 and 7.