

18<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Dear Healthcare Professional

**Shortage of Dexamethasone Viatris (dexamethasone sodium phosphate) 4mg/mL vials Aust R 163200 and supply arrangement under Section 14 and 14A of the *Therapeutic Goods Act 1989***

The Australian registered medicine, DEXAMETHASONE VIATRIS 4mg/mL solution for injection AUST R 163200, sponsored by Alphapharm Pty Ltd (trading as Viatris), has been unavailable since 1<sup>st</sup> 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 1 August 2024.

The following batches have been released:

7608865 – Expiry 03/ 25

7608866 – Expiry 03/ 25

7608882 – Expiry 03/25

7608895 – Expiry 03/25

7608896 – Expiry 03/25

**PBS Reimbursement**

Dexamethasone Viatris 4mg/mL solution for injection AUST R 163200 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 <https://aems.tga.gov.au/>; and/or
- Viatris on 1800 274 276 or by email [medinfo\\_anz@viatris.com](mailto:medinfo_anz@viatris.com)

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](mailto:ausalessupport@viatris.com).

Yours sincerely



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