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**TO: All prescribers
County lead pharmacists
Assistant Director of Nursing (Practice)
Hywel Dda Health Board global email**

Dear Colleague

The appraisals listed below have been published by the All Wales Medicines Strategy Group (AWMSG). They have been assessed for local implementation and their place in therapy established as described.

Please ensure that your teams are fully aware of this information.

In accordance with the provisions of Welsh Ministerial Letter ML/009 /09 these drugs are being added to the Health Board's formulary (see link below) and will be available for prescribing in accordance with the guidance.

Please ensure that the appropriate audit forms are completed for all initiations on these therapies in the next 12 months. You will find the audit forms on the Clinical Systems (NICE / TA AWMSG appraisal audits) pages of the Health Board's Intranet (see link below).

Pharmacy has been notified of the guidance and you should be aware that prescriptions that fall outside the recommendations of AWMSG guidance will be discussed with prescribers before dispensing. Please note that failure to complete the appropriate audit form may result in a delay in dispensing.

If you have any questions relating to the guidance or this process, please contact Sue Beach, Lead Clinical Development Pharmacist, on 01554 783084 or e-mail as above.

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The Audit forms can be found on the Clinical Systems (NICE / TA AWMSG appraisal audits) pages of the Health Board's Intranet:

<http://howis.wales.nhs.uk/sitesplus/862/page/43199>

- **AWMSG 1214/571 velaglucerase alfa** (Gaucher disease)
<http://www.awmsg.org/awmsgonline/app/appraisalinfo/571>
APPROVED Specialist and Hospital Use only
- **AWMSG 1414 /1653 imatinib** (High-risk KIT (CD117) GIST)
<http://www.awmsg.org/awmsgonline/app/appraisalinfo/1653>
APPROVED Specialist Prescribing only. Hospital and WP10HP only.
- **AWMSG 1514/2374 emetritabine/rilpivirine/tenofovir (Eviplera)** (HIV)
<http://www.awmsg.org/awmsgonline/app/appraisalinfo/2374>
APPROVED Specialist Prescribing and Hospital only
- **AWMSG 1914 /2476 azithromycin (IV)** (Community Acquired Pneumonia)
<http://www.awmsg.org/awmsgonline/app/appraisalinfo/2476>
APPROVED Microbiology Advice only. Hospital and ART Team use only.
- **AWMSG 2314 /843 dolutegravir** (HIV)
<http://www.awmsg.org/awmsgonline/app/appraisalinfo/843>
APPROVED Specialist Prescribing and Hospital only
- **AWMSG 2414 /1999 paclitaxel albumin-bound nanoparticles (Abraxane®)** Ca Pancreas
<http://www.awmsg.org/awmsgonline/app/appraisalinfo/1999>
APPROVED Specialist Prescribing and Hospital only.

References:

Welsh Ministerial Letter ML/009 /09. Issued 19.3.09; <http://www.wales.nhs.uk/documents/EH-ML-009-09.pdf>
H DUHB Formulary: <http://hywelddahb.inform.wales.nhs.uk/>

AWMSG 0414/1259 Nalmefene (Selincro®)

<http://www.awmsg.org/awmsgonline/app/appraisalinfo/1259>