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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 National Institute for Health & Care Excellence (NICE). 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 Health Circulars WHC 2003 (109) and 2005 (22), see WHC (2003) 109 and WHC (2005) 22 (see links below), the drugs have been added to the Health Board's formulary (see links below), and are available for prescribing in accordance with the guidance.

Please ensure that the appropriate audit form is completed for all patient initiations on these technologies 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 a prescription that falls outside the recommendations of the guidance will be discussed with the prescriber. Failure to complete the 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 0777 21 77 655 or email sue.beach@wales.nhs.uk.

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Hywel Dda University Health Board is the operational name of Hywel Dda University Local Health Board

Mae Bwrdd Iechyd Prifysgol Hywel Dda yn amgylchedd di-fwg Hywel Dda University Health Board operates a smoke free environment

NICE TA308, March 2014, Vasculitis (anti-neutrophil cytoplasmic antibody-associated) - rituximab (with glucocorticoids)

<http://guidance.nice.org.uk/TA308>

APPROVED [Hospital Only] Secondary & Tertiary Care

NICE TA306, February 2014, Lymphoma (non Hodgkin's, relapsed, refractory) - pixantrone monotherapy (TA306)

<http://guidance.nice.org.uk/TA306>

APPROVED [Hospital Only] Secondary & Tertiary Care

NICE TA303, January 2014, Multiple sclerosis (relapsing) - teriflunomide

<http://guidance.nice.org.uk/TA303>

APPROVED [Hospital Only] Tertiary Care

TA310 Atatinib

(Lung cancer non-SC EGFR mutation positive) **APPROVED** [Hospital Only]