

NSW Medicines Formulary – Outpatient Project

Consultation - Frequently Asked Questions

What is the NSW Medicines Formulary - Outpatient Project?

The CEC is leading a project to expand the [NSW Medicines Formulary](#) to include medicines supplied from public hospital pharmacies for use in outpatient settings.

This involves developing a statewide standardised list of medicines approved on the Formulary for hospital pharmacy supply.

You can learn more about the Outpatient Project on the [Information Hub](#) SharePoint.

What outpatient medicines are being considered?

A consolidated list of medicines that are locally approved for outpatient supply in one or more facilities within NSW Health has been created. Medicines on the Collated Baseline List will be evaluated to determine which medicines should be added to the NSW Medicines Formulary for hospital pharmacy supply.

Medicines are being reviewed in tranches across 2026 and 2027. Additional information can be found on the [Information Hub – 'Medicine Lists'](#) page.

How were recommendations developed?

Preliminary recommendations have been developed by the Project Team by applying the endorsed [evaluation principles and criteria](#). This includes consideration of efficacy, safety, equity, accessibility and eligibility of outpatient hospital supply.

Additional information can be found on the [Information Hub – 'Medicine Evaluation Principles'](#) page.

What do we need from you?

Established NSW Health clinical networks and programs are being engaged to provide expert advice and feedback on the medicines under review.

We are seeking your review of the preliminary recommendations and where applicable, associated restriction criteria.

Some medicines require additional expert guidance to inform a recommendation and will include specific questions for feedback.

Can I request other medicines to be considered?

The priority focus of the Project is the review of medicines that are currently approved for outpatient supply at the local level. If you identify a locally approved medicine that is not on the Consolidated Baseline List you can inform your local Drug and Therapeutics Committee (DTC), who can follow up with the Project Team.

New outpatient medicine formulary submissions will continue to be for reviewed and approved by local DTCs through existing local processes.

What happens after consultation?

Feedback will be incorporated to refine recommendations for the Formulary Committee's review and endorsement.

Following this, a summary of the Formulary Committee's decisions and outcomes will be published on the [Information Hub - 'Medicine Lists'](#) page.

Please note: Medicines on the Endorsed List are not yet an approval for outpatient hospital supply.

Medicines approved for outpatient supply will be uploaded to the Formulary platform as part of the broader project rollout and local implementation (planned for later in 2026).

If you have any questions, contact the Project Team via email - CEC-MedicineFormulary@health.nsw.gov.au