

Protocol for the use of Denzapine(Clozapine) Suspension

The vast majority of patients prescribed clozapine are able to successfully take tablets. However a small number are not. For those patients the use of clozapine suspension may be appropriate. This protocol must be followed to request the use of clozapine suspension.

Patients meeting the following criteria are considered eligible for treatment with clozapine suspension:

- 1. Patients with a diagnosed swallowing difficulty.**
- 2. A request has been submitted to and approved by the Prescribing Management Group (PMG(MH)). (See request form overleaf)**

If use of Denzapine suspension is approved the following process **must** be completed before clozapine suspension can be prescribed.

1. The consultant psychiatrist, treatment location and patient must be registered with the Denzapine Monitoring Service (DMS).
2. Confirmation of this registration must be received by pharmacy and the consultant psychiatrist before clozapine suspension is prescribed.
3. Prescribe appropriately and email/fax the prescription to Leverndale Pharmacy.

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