

Introduction

In 1990, the Federal Ministry of Health published the first edition of the Approved Patent Medicines List for Patent Medicines Shops in the country, and in 1994 the second edition (2nd Edition) was published.

This is an updated list of Patent Medicines approved for stock and sale in licenced Patent Medicines Shops throughout Nigeria. It is prepared with generic names. It has been prepared in line with the National Drug Policy for Nigeria, the Essential Drugs List (Fourth Revision 2003) and in accordance with the provisions of the Poisons and Pharmacy Act Cap 152 of 1958.

All Patent Medicines Vendors are to note that Patent Medicines are to be sold in the original packs, boxes, strips, foils, bottles, vessels, packets or covers under which they are packed by the manufacturers. They are to be sold only in small packs, sizes or units not exceeding 100's in the case of tablets/capsules. In the case of oral liquid preparations, such as solution, syrup or suspension, only packs of 15ml, 30ml, 100ml or 200ml are to be sold, and also, in their original packs. In each, the pack shall be properly secured and bear the name or trade mark of the manufacturer.

All Patent Medicines sold must be those registered by the National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control (NAFDAC).

Repackaging or dispensing of any Patent Medicines by any Patent Medicines Vendor is prohibited.

LIST OF PRODUCTS TO BE STOCKED AND SOLD BY PATENT MEDICINES VENDORS

1. Analgesics and Antipyretics
 - a. Acetylsalicylic acid (Aspirin)
Capsules/Tablets, 300mg;
 - b. Paracetamol
Capsules/Tablets/Syrups/Suspension
Capsules/Tablets - 125mg (Paediatric), 500mg (Adults),
Syrup/Suspension - 125mg/5ml (60ml, 100ml packs)

- c. Ibuprofen
 - Capsules/Tablets
 - Capsules/Tablets - 200mg, 400mg

- 2. Non-Specific (General) Antidotes
 - a. Charcoal, Activated
 - Powder/Granules/Tablets
 - Powder/Granules, 5mg/sachet, Tablet, 1g
- 3. Anthelmintics
 - a. Levamisole - Tablets/Syrup
 - Tablets, 40mg
 - Syrup, 40mg/5ml

 - b. Pyrantel
 - Tablets/Syrup
 - Tablets, 125mg
 - Syrup, 125mg/5ml

- 4. Antimalarials
 - a. Chloroquine
 - Capsules/Tablets/Syrups
 - Capsules/Tablets, 50mg base (Paediatric) 150mg (Adult)

 - b. Pyrimethamine, 25mg plus Sulphadoxine 500mg
 - Tablets/Syrups (per 5ml)

 - c. Pyrimethamine
 - Tablets, 12.5mg, 25mg

- 5. Antiseptic and Disinfectant Solutions
 - a. Benzoin Compound Tincture
 - b. Chloroxylonol 5% solution (for dilution)

- c. Dichloroxylenol plus Chlorophenol soap solution
- d. Iodine solution, 30ml, 60ml
- e. Methylated spirit, 50ml, 60ml

f. Sodium hypochlorite (1 - 10%), 250ml, 500ml

6. Anti-anaemia Drugs

- a. Ferrous salts - Capsules/Tablets (As Fumarate, Gluconate, Sulphate, Succinate)
- b. Ferric ammonium citrate mixture, 400mg/5ml
- c. Folic Acid, Tablets, 5mg

7. Mouthwashes

- a. Hexetidine solution, 0.1%

8. Dermatological (Anti-Infective Drugs)

- a. Gentian violet tincture, Tincture, 1%
- b. Silver Sulphadiazine cream, 1%

9. Antipruritic and Astringent Drugs

- a. Calamine Lotion
- b. Calamine plus Zinc oxide - Lotion/Plaster

10. Rubefacients and Inhalers

- a. Methyl Salicylate compound preparation;
Balms, Creams, Embrocations, Liniments, Rubs, Ointments, Oils and Inhalers

11. Dusting Powder

Zinc, starch and talc dusting powder with or without menthol

12. Fungicides

- a. Benzoic acid (6%) plus salicylic acid (3%) ratio 2:1, cream, ointment
- b. Clotrimazole
 - Cream, ointment, 1%
 - Aerosol spray 1%
 - Dusting powder 1%

13. Keratolytic and Keratoplastic Drugs

- a. Coal tar solution/ointment
- b. Coal tar ointment U.S.P.
- c. Salicylic acid, Ointment/Solution: Ointment, 2.5% Solution, 12% in flexible collodion

14. Scabicides and Pediculicides

- a. Benzyl Benzoate emulsion, 25%
- b. Monosulfiram solution/soap, 25%

15. Throat Antiseptic Preparations

- a. Dequalinium hydrochloride (250mg) Lozenges
- b. Domiphen bromide (0.5mg)
- c. Hexetidine mouthwash/gargle, 0.1%
- d. Menthol plus Eucalyptus Oil plus camphor plus Thymol (0.207% plus 0.069% plus 0.0007% respectively) lozenges
- e. Menthol plus ascorbic acid plus hyrous citric acid (0.09% plus 2.9412% plus 0.8332% respectively) Lozenges

16. Antacid Drugs

- a. Magnesium trisilicate mixture - 100ml - 200ml
- b. Magnesium triscilicate compound tablets

c. Aluminium hydroxide, mixture/tablets

17. Purgative Drugs

a. Magnesium hydroxide mixture

(Hydrated magnesium oxide, 550mg/10ml)

b. Magnesium Sulphate - Granules/Sachets/Mixture

Granules/Sachet, 5g, Mixture, 4g/10ml

c. Senna - Granules/Tablets

18. Antidiarrhoeal Drugs

a. Oral rehydration salts

19. Contraceptives

a. Condoms

b. Foaming Tablets

20. Vitamins, Minerals and Nutritional

a. Ascorbic acid (Vitamin C) - Tablets, 100mg

Ascorbic acid (Vitamin C) Syrup 100mg per 5ml

b. B Complex Vitamins - Capsules/Tablets/Syrup

c. Cod Liver Oil - Capsules/Syrup

d. Multivitamins - Capsules/Tablets/Syrup/Drops

e. Calcium Salts

i. Calcium gluconate - Tablets, Tablets, 600mg

ii. Calcium lactate - tablets, 300mg

f. Folic acid, Tablet, 5mg

g. Glucose - powder for oral use

21. Dressings

a. Absorbent Gauze

b. Cotton/Crepe bandages

c. Cotton Wool

d. Elastic Plaster Dressings

22. Cold

a. Chlorpheniramine Maleate - Tablet, 4mg/10s

b. Syrup - 2mg per 5ml

23. Cough

Diphenhydramine Preparations