

## Berkshire West Area Prescribing Committee Policy Statement

<b>Drug Name</b>	Biosimilar etanercept (Benapali®)		
<b>Indication under review</b>	Treatment of inflammatory joint diseases		
<b>Policy No:</b>	APC 125		
<b>Date of Issue:</b>	March 2016		
<b>Review Date:</b>	March 2019		
<b>Policy Statement:</b>	Biosimilar etanercept is recommended for the treatment of inflammatory joint diseases.		
<b>Traffic Light Status</b>	<b>Red</b>		
<b>Key Points considered:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The APC support this treatment for initiation in treatment naïve patients meeting NICE criteria for a biologic DMARD.</li> <li>• The APC also support a switch program for patients currently receiving originator etanercept (Enbrel®).</li> </ul>		
<b>Reference</b>	<p>Lee Y, Shin D, Kim Y, Kang J. <i>et al Ann Rheum Dis</i> 2015;<b>74</b>:718 doi:10.1136/annrheumdis-2015-eular.2671 SAT0176 A Phase I Pharmacokinetic Study Comparing SB4, An Etanercept Biosimilar, and Etanercept Reference Product (Enbrel®) in Healthy Male Subjects.</p> <p>Emery P, Vencovsky J et al <i>Ann Rheum Dis</i> doi:10.1136/annrheumdis-2015-207588. A phase III randomised, double-blind, parallel-group study comparing SB4 with etanercept reference product in patients with active rheumatoid arthritis despite methotrexate therapy</p>		
<b>Date taken to APC:</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2016		
<b>Date Ratified by MMC on Behalf of the Board:</b>	23 <sup>rd</sup> March 2016		

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Berkshire West Area Prescribing Policies serve as a guide to clinicians. This does not overrule the clinical or budgetary responsibility of clinicians when considering treatment for individual patients.

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These drugs have been reviewed and are not considered a cost effective use of scarce NHS resources	Medicines suitable for routine use. Primary care prescribers take full responsibility for prescribing	Medicines that should be initiated by a specialist and can be continued in primary care under a shared care agreement.	Medicines which should be prescribed by specialists only