



Berkshire West Area Prescribing Committee (BWAPC)

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| Drug Name | All New Drugs |
| Indication under review | New Drugs – Policy for managing the entry of new drugs in primary care |
| Policy No: | APC 085 |
| Date of Issue: | September 2014 |
| Review Date: | September 2017 |
| Policy Statement: Newly licensed medication should not be prescribed until the Berkshire West APC has had an opportunity to review the evidence of efficacy, safety and cost-effectiveness data. | |
| Traffic Light Status | Brown |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New medicines are not routinely recommended for prescribing by GPs until considered by the BWAPC. • Any clinician wishing to use or recommend a treatment should contact the Medicines Optimisation Team at WOCCG.medicines@nhs.net | |
| Date taken to APC: | 3 rd September 2014 |
| Date Ratified by MMC on Behalf of the Board: | 8 th October 2014 |

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.