



Medicine Supply Notification

MSN/2020/028

Fluoxetine 40mg capsules (Advanz)

Tier 2 – medium impact*

Date of issue: 29/05/2020

Summary

- Advanz, sole supplier, are out of stock of fluoxetine 40mg capsules with a resupply date to be confirmed.
- Fluoxetine 20mg capsules remain available.
- A Serious Shortage Protocol (SSP) was issued on 20/5/2020.

Actions Required

- For patients with insufficient supplies, clinicians should consider prescribing an alternative formulation of fluoxetine.
- Community pharmacists may supply fluoxetine 20mg capsules against the SSP for eligible patients.

Supporting Information

- Please see the link below for further information on the fluoxetine 40mg capsule SSP:
<https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/pharmacies-gp-practices-and-appliance-contractors/serious-shortage-protocols-ssps>
- Patient reassurance may be needed due to differences in packaging of each formulation.

Enquiries

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