

## Haloperidol 0.5mg Tablets

Advice for Prescribers in Nottinghamshire

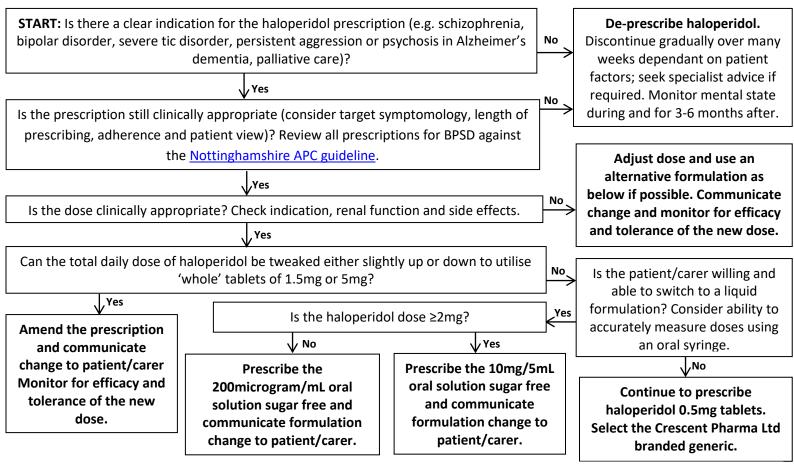
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- Aim To review all patients prescribed haloperidol 0.5mg tablets for suitability of deprescribing, optimising the dose, switching formulation, or switching to an alternative agent on the advice of a specialist.
- Haloperidol 0.5mg tablets are extremely expensive compared to other strengths.
- There are approximately 80 patients prescribed haloperidol 0.5mg tablets across 51 practices
- Current spend in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB is approximately £27,500 per month
- Antipsychotics in dementia increase risk of stroke (3x) and death (2x); prescriptions should be reviewed every 3 months in primary care with reduction/withdrawal attempted. See <u>Nottinghamshire APC BPSD guideline.</u>
- Caution when prescribing liquid formulations due to the different strengths available

Drug Tariff March 2023	Pack size	Cost	Availability
Haloperidol 0.5mg tablets	28	£196.18	Available
Haloperidol 1.5mg tablets	28	£2.28	Available
Haloperidol 5mg tablets	28	£2.55	Available
Haloperidol 10mg tablets	28	£16.03	Available
Haloperidol 10mg/5mL oral solution sugar free	100mL	£7.59	Available
Haloperidol 5mg/5mL oral solution sugar free	100mL	£7.20	Available
Haloperidol 200micrograms/mL oral solution sugar free	100mL	£89.90	Available; only prescribe for doses of <2mg

**Review Procedure:** 

- Search for all patients with haloperidol 0.5mg tablets on repeat
- Identify if the patient is under a specialist (e.g. community mental health team, dementia outreach team) and seek advice in this case. If not under a specialist, follow the flow chart below.
- Any changes to the prescription should be discussed and made as a shared decision with the patient/carer via a face to face or telephone consultation.



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