

Streamline Non Formulary Request: Epoetin lambda Injection – Arthroplasty

Epoetin lambda Injection is not listed on the South Australian Medicines Formulary to treat anaemia preoperatively; however is available on request for adult patients being managed by a Specialist Anaemia Clinic prior to undergoing knee or hip arthroplasty AND the patient meets the following criteria:

- Haemoglobin < 135 g/L (males) or <115g/L (females) **AND**
- Iron studies **NOT** suggestive of iron deficiency

Treatment must be as per approved Drug and Therapeutic Committee (DTC) protocol; usual commencing dose 2000 units subcutaneously weekly up to 8000 units subcutaneously weekly depending on response, for a maximum duration 8 weeks.

The following information is required to be provided by the prescriber prior to dispensing.

Patient details:

Name:		
UR #:	Date of birth:	Gender:
Patient location (site/hospital):		

Eligibility for Epoetin lambda:

Adult patient undergoing knee or hip arthroplasty AND
Patient haemoglobin < 135 g/L (males) or <115g/L (females) AND
Patient iron Studies NOT suggestive of iron deficiency AND
Specialist Anaemia Clinic initiation AND
Dosing regimen following an approved DTC protocol for a maximum of 8 weeks treatment

Prescriber details:

I certify that the above information is correct	
Date:	
Prescriber Name:	Position:
Clinical unit, hospital:	
Telephone No:	Pager No:

PHARMACY USE INFORMATION

Entered in iPharmacy	Yes	No	Signature:
Entered in database	Yes	No	Date: