### 12. Cardiovascular medicines

#### 12.1. Antianginal medicines

**Verapamil**

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<th><strong>ICD11 code:</strong> BA40.Z</th>
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<td><strong>INN</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Medicine type</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Sex</strong></td>
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**Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations**

Based on the outcome of the square box review, the Committee recommended that the square box symbol be removed from the listing for verapamil as an antianginal medicine.