Hydrocortisone

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EMLc ATC codes: D07AA02

Indication	Dermatitis or eczema ICD11 code: EA8Z
INN	Hydrocortisone
Medicine type	Chemical agent
List type	Core
Formulations	**Local > Topical > Cream:** 1% (acetate) **Local > Topical > Ointment:** 1% (acetate)
EML status history	First added in 1977 (TRS 615) Changed in 1979 (TRS 641) Changed in 2007 (TRS 950) Changed in 2021 (TRS 1035)
Sex	All
Age	Also recommended for children
Therapeutic alternatives	Medicines within the same pharmacological class can be used
Therapeutic alternatives limitations	EML: Therapeutic alternatives are medicines in the 4th level ATC chemical subgroup:D07AA Corticosteroids, weak (group I).
Therapeutic alternatives limitations for EMLc	The square box does not apply for the listing of hydrocortisone on the EMLc.
Patent information	Patents have expired in most jurisdictions Read more about patents.
Wikipedia	Hydrocortisone
DrugBank	Hydrocortisone

Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

Following the review of square box listings on the EML and EMLc, the Expert Committee recommended that medicines in 4th level ATC chemical subgroup, D07AA Corticosteroids, weak (group I), be specified as therapeutic alternatives under the square box listing for hydrocortisone on the EML for this indication. The square box does not apply to the listing of hydrocortisone on the EMLc for this indication.