




EMLc
ATC codes: **D08AC02**

Indication	Chlorhexidine <span>ICD11 code: <b>XM7DZ3</b></span>
INN	Chlorhexidine
Medicine type	Chemical agent
List type	Core
Formulations	Local > Topical > Solution: 5% (digluconate) for dilution
EML status history	First added in 1979 ( <a href="#">TRS 641</a> ) Changed in 2007 ( <a href="#">TRS 950</a> ) Changed in 2009 ( <a href="#">TRS 958</a> ) Changed in 2013 ( <a href="#">TRS 985</a> )
Sex	All
Age	Also recommended for children
Therapeutic alternatives	Medicines within the same pharmacological class can be used
Patent information	Patents have expired in most jurisdictions Read more <a href="#">about patents</a> . 
Wikipedia	<a href="#">Chlorhexidine</a> 
DrugBank	<a href="#">Chlorhexidine</a> 

## Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

The Expert Committee recommended the deletion of the 20% solution of chlorhexidine from the EMLc, following the recommendation to include on the EMLc a gel formulation of 7.1% chlorhexidine digluconate, delivering 4% chlorhexidine specifically for umbilical cord care.

