



## Section: 16. Diuretics

EMLc

ATC codes: C03AA03

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| <b>Indication</b>                                    | Oedema<br>ICD11 code: MG29.Z  |
| <b>INN</b>   | Hydrochlorothiazide   |
| <b>Medicine type</b>                                 | Chemical agent  |
| <b>List type</b>                                     | Core (EML)<br>Complementary (EMLc)  |
| <b>Formulations</b>                                  | Oral > Solid: 25 mg   |
| <b>EML status history</b>                            | First added in 1977 (TRS 615)<br>Changed in 1979 (TRS 641)<br>Changed in 1987 (TRS 770)<br>Changed in 2003 (TRS 920)<br>Changed in 2007 (TRS 950)<br>Changed in 2021 (TRS 1035) |
| <b>Sex</b>   | All   |
| <b>Age</b>   | Also recommended for children   |
| <b>Therapeutic alternatives</b>                      | Medicines within the same pharmacological class can be used   |
| <b>Therapeutic alternatives limitations</b>          | Therapeutic alternatives are chlorothiazide, chlortalidone and indapamide   |
| <b>Therapeutic alternatives limitations for EMLc</b> | Therapeutic alternatives are chlorothiazide and chlortalidone   |
| <b>Patent information</b>                            | Patents have expired in most jurisdictions<br><a href="#">Read more about patents.</a>  |
| <b>Wikipedia</b>                                     | <a href="#">Hydrochlorothiazide</a>   |
| <b>DrugBank</b>                                      | <a href="#">Hydrochlorothiazide</a>   |

## Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

Following the review of square box listings on the EML and EMLc, the Expert Committee recommended chlorothiazide, chlortalidone and indapamide be specified as therapeutic alternatives under the square box listing for hydrochlorothiazide on the EML; and chlorothiazide and chlortalidone and indapamide be specified as therapeutic alternatives under the square box listing for hydrochlorothiazide on the EMLc for this indication.

