### Senna

**Indication**: Constipation  
**ICD11 code**: MG30

**Medicine type**: Plant-derived medicine

**List type**: Core

**Formulations**: Oral > Solid: 7.5 mg (sennosides) (or traditional dosage forms)

**EML status history**
- First added in 1977 (TRS 615)
- Changed in 1979 (TRS 641)
- Changed in 1984 (TRS 722)
- Changed in 2007 (TRS 950)
- Changed in 2021 (TRS 1035)

**Sex**: All

**Age**: Adolescents and adults

**Therapeutic alternatives**: bisacodyl (ATC codes: A06AB02)

**Patent information**: Patents have expired in most jurisdictions  
Read more about patents.

**Wikipedia**: Senna

**DrugBank**: Senna (Sennosides)

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**Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations**

Following the review of square box listings on the EML and EMLc, the Expert Committee recommended bisacodyl be specified as a therapeutic alternative under the square box listing for senna on the EML.