Diazepam

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EMLc ATC codes: N05BA01

Indication	Palliative care ICD11 code: QB9B
INN	Diazepam
Medicine type	Chemical agent
List type	Core
Formulations	**Oral > Liquid:** 2 mg per 5 mL **Local > Rectal > Gel:** 5 mg per mL in 0.5 mL rectal delivery system ; 5 mg per mL in 2 mL rectal delivery system ; 5 mg per mL in 4 mL rectal delivery system **Local > Rectal > Solution:** 2 mg per mL in 1.25 mL rectal tube ; 2 mg per mL in 2.5 mL rectal tube ; 4 mg per mL in 2.5 mL rectal tube **Parenteral > General injections > unspecified:** 5 mg per mL (EML) **Oral > Solid > tablet:** 5 mg (scored) ; 10 mg (scored) ; 2 mg (scored) (EMLc)
EML status history	First added in 1991 (TRS 825) Changed in 2009 (TRS 958) Changed in 2013 (TRS 985) Changed in 2023 (TRS 1049) Changed in 2025 (TRS 1064)
Sex	All
Age	Also recommended for children
Therapeutic alternatives	The recommendation is for this specific medicine
Patent information	Patents have expired in most jurisdictions Read more about patents.
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Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

Following the review of the age-appropriateness of formulations on the EMLc, the Expert Committee recommended: - the addition of diazepam 2 mg scored tablets to the EMLc; - the deletion of diazepam injection 5 mg/mL from the EMLc.