Docusate sodium

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EMLc | ATC codes: A06AA02

Indication	Palliative care ICD11 code: QB9B
INN	Docusate sodium
Medicine type	Chemical agent
List type	Core
Formulations	**Oral > Liquid:** 50 mg per 5 mL ; 12.5 mg per 5 mL (EMLc) **Oral > Solid > capsule:** 100 mg (EML)
EML status history	First added in 2009 (TRS 958) Changed in 2013 (TRS 985) 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.
Wikipedia	Docusate sodium
DrugBank	Docusate dodium (Docusate)

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 docusate sodium oral liquid 12.5 mg/5 mL to the EMLc; - the deletion of docusate sodium 100 mg capsules from the EMLc.