Chloroquine

Section: 6. Anti-infective medicines > 6.5. Antiprotozoal medicines > 6.5.3. Antimalarial medicines > 6.5.3.1. Antimalarial medicines > Medicines for curative treatment

EMLc ATC codes: P01BA01

Indication	Malaria due to Plasmodium vivax ICD11 code: 1F41
INN	Chloroquine
Medicine type	Chemical agent
List type	Core
Additional notes	For use only for the treatment of P. vivax infection
Formulations	**Oral > Liquid:** 50 mg per 5 mL (base) **Oral > Solid > tablet:** 150 mg (base)
EML status history	First added in 1977 (TRS 615) Changed in 1979 (TRS 641) Changed in 1982 (TRS 685) Changed in 1995 (TRS 867) Changed in 2003 (TRS 920) Changed in 2007 (TRS 946) Changed in 2007 (TRS 950) 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	Chloroquine
DrugBank	Chloroquine

Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

Following the review of the age-appropriateness of formulations on the EMLc, the Expert Committee recommended: - the deletion of chloroquine 100 mg tablets from the EML and EMLc; - to modify the formulation descriptions to describe strengths in terms of chloroquine base, without reference to the salt.