# Chloroquine

NOT RECOMMENDED AS AN ESSENTIAL MEDICINE

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**EMLc** ATC codes: P01BA01

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| **Indication** | Malaria due to Plasmodium vivax ICD11 code: 1F41 |
| **INN** | Chloroquine |
| **Medicine type** | Chemical agent |
| **List type** | Core |
| **Additional notes** | For use only in central American regions, for use for P.vivax. |
| **Formulations** | **Oral > Liquid:** 50 mg per 5 mL syrup (as phosphate or sulfate)<br>**Oral > Solid:** 150 mg tablet (as phosphate or sulfate) |
| **EML status history** | First added in 1987 (TRS 770)<br>Changed in 2007 (TRS 946)<br>Changed in 2007 (TRS 950)<br>Removed 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<br>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: - to delete the listing of chloroquine for malaria chemoprevention from the EML and EMLc, noting that doxycycline is no longer recommended for this indication in WHO guidelines.