

[Chloroquine](#)

Not recommended as an essential medicine

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ATC codes: [P01BA01](#)

EMLc

Indication

Malaria due to Plasmodium vivax ICD11 code: [1F81](#)

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)

Oral > Solid: 150 mg tablet (as phosphate or sulfate)

EML status history

First added in 1987 ([TRS 770](#))

Changed in 2007 ([TRS 946](#))

Changed in 2007 ([TRS 950](#))

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

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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: - 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.