

# Chloroquine

NOT RECOMMENDED AS AN  
ESSENTIAL MEDICINE

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ATC codes: [P01BA01](#)

Indication	Malaria due to Plasmodium falciparum <span>ICD11 code: <a href="#">1F40</a></span>
INN	Chloroquine
Medicine type	Chemical agent
List type	Core
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 ( <a href="#">TRS 770</a> ) Removed in 2007 ( <a href="#">TRS 946</a> )
Sex	All
Age	Adolescents and adults
Therapeutic alternatives	The recommendation is for this specific medicine
Patent information	Patents have expired in most jurisdictions Read more <a href="#">about patents</a> . <a href="#">↗</a>
Wikipedia	<a href="#">Chloroquine</a> <a href="#">↗</a>
DrugBank	<a href="#">Chloroquine</a> <a href="#">↗</a>

## Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

Chloroquine was maintained on the core list for prophylaxis to limit the use of chloroquine to central American regions and for prophylaxis of *P. vivax*, *P. ovale* and *P. malariae* infections.

