

Chloroquine

NOT RECOMMENDED AS AN
ESSENTIAL MEDICINE

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ATC codes: [P01BA01](#)

Indication	Malaria due to Plasmodium falciparum	ICD11 code: 1F40
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 (TRS 770) Removed in 2007 (TRS 946)	
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 about patents . ↗	
Wikipedia	Chloroquine ↗	
DrugBank	Chloroquine ↗	

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.

