

Protocol for the use of Denzapine (Clozapine) Suspension

The vast majority of patients prescribed clozapine are able to successfully take tablets. However a small number are not. For those patients the use of clozapine suspension may be appropriate. This protocol must be followed to request the use of clozapine suspension.

Patients meeting the following criteria are considered eligible for treatment with clozapine suspension:

- 1. Patients with a diagnosed swallowing difficulty.**
- 2. A request has been submitted to and approved by the Prescribing Management Group (PMG-MH). (See request form overleaf)**

If use of Denzapine suspension is approved the following process **must** be completed before clozapine suspension can be prescribed.

1. The consultant psychiatrist, treatment location and patient must be registered with the Denzapine Monitoring Service (DMS).
2. Confirmation of this registration must be received by pharmacy and the consultant psychiatrist before clozapine suspension is prescribed.
3. For outpatients: Prescribe appropriately on a [clozapine outpatient prescription](#) form and email the prescription to Leverndale Pharmacy.
4. For inpatients: Prescribe appropriately on HEPMA and inform Leverndale Pharmacy of the change via telephone or email.

Prescribing Management Group Mental Health

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NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde
Mental Health Services
Prescribing Management Group
Clozapine (Denzapine) Suspension Request Form

Name		CHI Number	
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Reason for requesting clozapine suspension (Please give a full explanation of the need for clozapine suspension)

Consultant name (Please print)	
Consultant signature	
Date	

PMG(MH) Decision	
Date	

Please return this completed form to:

PrescribingManagementGroup.MentalHealth@ggc.scot.nhs.uk

A copy of the form with the PMG(MH) decision will be returned to the requesting consultant and Leverndale Pharmacy.