

Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate (Viread™)
Gilead Sciences Ltd

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Summary of Recommendation

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The Scottish Medicines Consortium (SMC) has completed its assessment of the above product and advises NHS Boards and ADTCs on its use in NHS Scotland. The recommendation is summarised as follows:

ADVICE

Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate is recommended in combination with other antiretroviral agents in HIV infected patients over 18 years of age experiencing virological failure.

REASONS FOR ADVICE

Tenofovir produces a clinically relevant viral response in heavily pre-treated patients experiencing early virological failure. Tenofovir should be initiated under the general supervision of specialists experienced in the management of HIV/AIDs patients.

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