

Statement of advice SMC2539

esketamine 28mg nasal spray, solution (Spravato®) Janssen-Cilag Ltd

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ADVICE: in the absence of a submission from the holder of the marketing authorisation **esketamine (Spravato®)** is not recommended for use within NHSScotland.

Indication under review: Co-administered with oral antidepressant therapy, in adults with a moderate to severe episode of Major Depressive Disorder, as acute short-term treatment, for the rapid reduction of depressive symptoms, which according to clinical judgement constitute a psychiatric emergency.

The holder of the marketing authorisation has not made a submission to SMC regarding this product in this indication. As a result, we cannot recommend its use within NHSScotland.

Advice context:

No part of this advice may be used without the whole of the advice being quoted in full.

This advice represents the view of the Scottish Medicines Consortium and was arrived at after careful consideration and evaluation of the available evidence. It is provided to inform the considerations of Area Drug & Therapeutics Committees and NHS Boards in Scotland in determining medicines for local use or local formulary inclusion. This advice does not override the individual responsibility of health professionals to make decisions in the exercise of their clinical judgement in the circumstances of the individual patient, in consultation with the patient and/or guardian or carer.

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