


<p>Dulaglutide (Trulicity® ▼)</p> <p>Non-formulary at the time of writing</p> <p> Amb1</p> <p>Cost per month (Dec 2015): 0.75mg or 1.5mg weekly £73.25</p>	<p>NICE Evidence Review ESNM59 (15 June 2015)</p> <p>Once weekly sc injection (0.75mg weekly as monotherapy, 1.5 mg weekly as add-on therapy)</p> <p>NICE guidance (CG87): Dual/triple therapy: <i>Can be used in dual or triple therapy regimens when control of blood glucose remains or becomes inadequate (HbA1c ≥ 59mmol/mol or agreed individualised target). Patients should be on maximally tolerated doses of oral hypoglycaemic agents and have a BMI;</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ≥ 35.0 kg/m² in those of European descent (with appropriate adjustment for other ethnic groups) and specific psychological or medical problems associated with high body weight, or • < 35.0 kg/m², and therapy with insulin would have significant occupational implications or weight loss would benefit other significant obesity-related comorbidities. <p>Licensed as: Monotherapy when metformin ineffective Add-on therapy with other drugs, including insulin</p>	<p>Prescriber to decide most appropriate GLP-1 agonist after discussion with patient.</p> <p>If all other patient factors are equal prescribe the GLP-1 agonist with the lowest acquisition cost</p>	<p>Continue dulaglutide only if the person has a reduction in HbA1c of ≥11mmol/mol (1%) and a 3% loss of initial bodyweight after 6 months. No long term safety data available. Dulaglutide can be used without dose adjustment in patients with renal disease</p> <p>Applies to ALL GLP-1 agonists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss the potential benefits and risks of treatment with a GLP-1 agonist with the person to enable them to make an informed decision. • Routine monitoring of blood glucose levels is only required if the GLP-1 agonist is given in combination with another agent likely to cause hypoglycaemia e.g. sulfonylurea. <p>There have been reports of necrotising and haemorrhagic pancreatitis with GLP-1 agonists, some of which were fatal. If pancreatitis is suspected, treatment with the GLP-1 agonist should be suspended immediately; if pancreatitis is diagnosed, the GLP-1 agonist should be permanently discontinued. For most people, however, the benefits of treatment with a GLP-1 agonist outweigh the risks of pancreatitis.</p>
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