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Email:

Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 200923.

You requested the following information, please also see our response below:

I'm Looking for a list of drug that are used by SECAmbs and what role you need to be you administer them to a Patient.

SECAmb gives staff authority to possess, administer and/or supply medicines based on the clinical grade they practice at. These clinical grades are listed in the Scope of Practice & Clinical Standards Policy accordingly.

- CFR (Community First Responder)/ IECR (Immediate Emergency Care Responder [typically co-responders from fire & rescue services])
- Emergency Care Support Worker
- Associate Practitioner/Associate Ambulance Practitioner/Technician/ Advanced Technician
- Paramedic (inc' Newly Qualified Paramedic [NQP])
- Paramedic Practitioner (Specialist Paramedic Urgent & Emergency Care)
- Critical Care Paramedic (Specialist Paramedic Critical Care)
- Nurse/ Nurse Practitioner

The Scope of Practice & Clinical Standards Policy includes an appendix (Appendix M) which is a matrix which lists all the medicines in the Trust drug formulary with authority against each clinical grade. This matrix has been copied as an appendix to this document.

Staff must hold an appropriate clinical qualification in order to be authorised to use medicines according to the relevant legal mechanism (exemption, PGD, prescribing).

The list of core medicines associated with emergency care in the ambulance sector are in the public domain via clinical guidance issued by the Joint Royal Colleges Ambulance Liaison Committee (JRCALC) and the European Resuscitation Council. The SECAmb formulary has addition medicines to those listed only in JRCALC.

Please note that the scope of practice and clinical standards policy is currently undergoing a review. The list of medicines provided is from the version that is currently published but the following items represent agreed changes to the formulary, and this will be reflected in the next version of the policy;

- Phenytoin and clopidogrel have been withdrawn

- Diazepam formulations are all provided via Patient Group Direction Levetiracetam IV (intravenous) introduced for Critical Care Paramedics

Appendix M (Medicines): Medicines Administration Authorised for use, by Clinical Grade/Role

Key:

- PGD: Patient Group Direction
- S17: Schedule 17 of the Human Medicines Regulations 2012
- S19: Schedule 19 of the Human Medicines Regulations 2012
- ALS: Persons who hold the advanced life support provider certificate issued by the Resuscitation Council (UK).
- TA: Trust approval and authority using JRCALC guidelines
- **Diluent:** Used only for diluting a medicine (water for injection)

Name of Medicine (Controlled Drugs highlighted in RED Restricted medicines highlighted AMBER)	Dose	Route(s)	Mechanism	Type of Use (administration, supply, both)	CFR / IECR	Emergency Care Support Worker	Associate Practitioner/AAP	Technician/ Advanced Technician	Paramedic (inc' NQP)	Paramedic Practitioner	Critical Care Paramedic	Nurse/ Nurse Practitioner
Activated Charcoal (P)	1 x bottle	Oral	PGD	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Adrenaline 1:10,000 (POM)	1mg/10ml	IV/IO	S17 / ALS	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Adrenaline 1:1000 (POM)	500mcg	IM	S19	Administration			IM Only	IM Only	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Amiodarone (pre-filled) (POM)	300mg	IV/IO	S17 / ALS	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Amoxicillin (POM)	500mg	PO	PGD	Supply						Yes		
Aspirin (P)	300mg	PO	ТА	Administration	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Atropine 600mcg (POM)	600mcg	IV/IO	S19	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Benzylpenicillin (POM)	600mg	IV/IO	S17	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Calcium Chloride (POM)	10%/10ml	IV/IO	PGD	Administration							Yes	
Chlorphenamine (POM)	10mg/1ml	IV/IO (IV preferred) IM	S19	Administration			IM Only	IM Only	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Clarithromycin (POM)	125mg suspension	PO	PGD	Supply						Yes		
Clarithromycin (POM)	250mg tablet	PO	PGD	Supply						Yes		
Clopidogrel (POM)	75mg	PO	ТА	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Co-Amoxiclav (POM)	625mg	PO	PGD	Supply						Yes		

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Co-Amoxiclav (POM)	1.2g	IV	PGD	Administration							Yes	
Dexamethasone	2mg	PO	PGD	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Diazemuls IV (CD)	10mg/2ml	IV/IO	S17	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Diazepam (CD)	2.5mg	PR	ТА	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Diazepam (CD)	5mg	PR	ТА	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Entonox (P)	NA	Inhaled	ТА	Administration		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Flucloxacillin	250mg	PO	PGD	Supply						Yes		
Flumazenil (POM)	100 mcg	IV/IO	PGD	Administration							Yes	
Furosemide (POM)	20mg/2ml	IV	S17	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Glucagon (POM)	1mg	IM/SC	S19	Administration			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Glucogel (P)	40%/23g	Buccal	ТА	Administration		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Glucose 10% (POM)	500ml	IV	S17	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
GTN (P)	400mcg	Sub lingual	ТА	Administration			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Heparin (POM)	5000 IU	IV	S17	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hydrocortisone (POM)	100mg	IV (preferred) IO/IM	S19	Administration			IM Only	IM Only	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ibuprofen Suspension (P)	100mg/5ml	PO	PGD	Supply						Yes		
Ibuprofen Sachet (P)	100mg/5ml	PO	ТА	Administration			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ibuprofen Tablet (P)	200mg	PO	PGD	Supply						Yes		
Ibuprofen Tablet (P)	200mg	PO	ТА	Administration			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ipratropium Bromide (POM)	250mcg	Nebulised	ТА	Administration			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ketamine (CD)	10mg/1ml	IV/IO	PGD	Administration							Yes	
Lidocaine (Lignocaine) (POM)	1%	SC	PGD	Administration						Yes		

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Magnesium Sulphate (POM)	2g or 4g (depending on PGD)	IV/IO	PGD	Administration							Yes	
Magnesium Sulphate (POM)	150mg	Nebulised	PGD	Administration							Yes	
Midazolam (CD)	5mg/5ml	IV/IO	PGD	Administration							Yes	
Midazolam (High strength) (CD)	5mg/1ml	IV/IO	PGD	Administration							Yes	
Morphine Sulphate (CD)	10mg/1ml	IV/IO	S17 (PGD**)	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes**
Naloxone Hydrochloride (POM)	400mcg/1ml	IV/IO/IM/I N	S19	Administration			IM Only	IM Only	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Naproxen (POM)	250mg	PO	PGD	Supply						Yes		
Nitrofurantoin (POM)	50mg	PO	PGD	Supply						Yes		
Ondansetron (POM)	2mg	IV	S17	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Oxygen (P)	NA	Inhaled	ТА	Administration	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Oral Rehydration Salts (GSL)	Sachet	PO	ТА	Supply						Yes		
Paracetamol (POM)	10mg/1ml	IV	S17	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Paracetamol (P)	120mg/5ml suspension	PO	PGD	Supply						Yes		
Paracetamol (P)	250mg/5ml suspension	PO	PGD	Supply						Yes		
Paracetamol (P)	250mg (Fastmelt/ oro- dispersible)	PO	PGD	Supply						Yes		
Paracetamol (GSL)	500mg	PO	PGD	Supply						Yes		
Paracetamol (GSL)	500mg	PO	ТА	Administration			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Paracetamol (P)	120mg/5ml sachet (Calpol)	PO	ТА	Administration			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Penicillin V (POM)	250mg	PO	PGD	Supply						Yes		

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Phenytoin (POM)	250mg/5ml	IV/IO	PGD	Administration							Yes	
Prednisolone (POM)	5mg	PO	PGD	Supply						Yes		
Prednisolone (POM)	1mg/1ml	PO	PGD	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Prednisolone (POM)	1mg/1ml	PO	PGD	Supply						Yes		
Rocuronium (POM)	10mg/1ml	IV/IO	PGD	Administration							Yes	
Salbutamol (POM)	2.5mg	Nebulised	ТА	Administration	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Salbutamol (POM)	5mg	Nebulised	ТА	Administration	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sodium Chloride Ampoule (POM)	0.9% 10ml	IV/IO	S17	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sodium Chloride (P)	0.9% 100ml	IV/IO	S17	Administration							Yes	
Sodium Chloride (P)	0.9% 500ml	IV/IO	S17	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sodium Chloride (hypertonic) (POM)	5% 500ml	IV/IO	PGD	Administration							Yes	
Tenecteplase (POM)	10,000 units	IV	S17	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	

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Ticagrelor (POM)	90mg	PO	PGD	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Tranexamic Acid (POM)	100mg	IV	PGD	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Trimethoprim (POM)	200mg	PO	PGD	Supply						Yes		
Water for Injection (P)	NA	IV/IO	Diluent	Administration					Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

*Associate practitioners are required to undertake the first five administrations of those drugs marked under supervision prior to moving to autonomous practice. Supervision will usually be remote through accessing a paramedic on the Clinical Desk or PP Desk.

** Only paramedics are covered by Schedule 17 of the Human Medicines Regulations. 2012. Other healthcare professionals may need to follow a PGD

I hope you find this information of assistance.

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Head of Information Governance via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

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