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With reference to your FOI request in connection with 'Parkinson's medication' please see response below.

1. Does your Trust stock Parkinson's medication in your emergency drug cupboards?

Yes

2. If yes, what Parkinson's medication do you stock?

Amantadine 100mg capsules  
Co-beneldopa 12.5/50mg dispersible  
Co-beneldopa 12.5/50mg capsules  
Co-beneldopa 15/100mg capsules  
Co-beneldopa 15/100mg modified release capsules  
Co-careldopa 12.5/50 mg  
Co-careldopa 25/100mg modified release  
Co-careldopa 25/100mg  
Entacapone 200mg  
Pramipexole 88mcg  
Rasagiline 1mg tablets  
Ropinerole 2mg modified release  
Ropinerole 1mg  
Rotigotine 1mg/24hr patch

3. If no, are you planning to introduce Parkinson's medication into your emergency drug cupboards?

N/A

4. Does your Trust have guidance on what medications to stock in your emergency drug cupboards?

No

5. If yes, does this guidance include any Parkinson's medication?

N/A

6. Could you provide us with a copy of any guidance the Trust has on stocks of drugs to be held in the emergency drug cupboard?

N/A

7. Please could you provide details of how stocks of Parkinson's medication in emergency drug cupboards are being monitored across all the hospitals in your Trust?

All ward stock reviews are done on a yearly basis – based on requests, directorate pharmacist input and usage of medicines. The emergency drug cupboard is also reviewed yearly and is done by Senior Technician Ward Services, Principal Pharmacist Medicines Management and Lead Resident Pharmacist. The review is based on requests within the on-call service and the usage of medicines from the cupboard. Critical medicines would be looked at as part of that review – Parkinson's medication falls within that category.

A missed dose audit is performed on a yearly basis and anything significant that is highlighted in that audit will also prompt a review of ward stock.