

To ensure safe prescribing, only drugs from the following list of groups or drug names will be issued in an emergency (at the discretion of the GP/clinician) as these drugs cannot be stopped abruptly. All other medication will have to be requested via the usual repeat prescription procedure. The effect of most medicines continues for hours/days due to the amount of time drugs remain in the body.

Drug Group	Names in the group [list not exhaustive]
Asthma/COPD reliever inhalers	Salbutamol, Ventolin, Salamol, Terbutaline
GTN	Glyceryl trinitrate spray or tablets
Beta blocker and drugs for abnormal heart rhythm	Bisoprolol, Propranolol, Carvedilol, Atenolol, Labetalol, Sotalol, Verapamil, Amiodarone, Diltiazem, Digoxin
Insulin	Novorapid, Lantus, Abasaglar, Humulin, Humalog, Toujeo, Levemir, Tresiba etc
Oral Nitrates & Anti Angina Drugs	Isosorbide mononitrate, Isosorbide Dinitrate, Nicorandil, Ranolazine
Adrenaline Pen	Epipen, Jext, Emerate, Anapen
Oral Contraceptive pill/patch/vaginal ring	
Oral steroids on a regular dose	
Palliative Care medication	Please check patient is palliative; any meds requested can be put as urgent. A lot will be for pain relief but this will be restricted as urgent to palliative care patients only
DMARDS (prescriber to follow judgement based on bloods etc)	Methotrexate, hydroxychloroquine, Azathioprine
Parkinsons Medication	Co-careldopa, Co-beneldopa, Stalevo, Amantadine, Rasagiline, Rotigotine, Sinemet
Lithium	Lithium, Priadel, Camcolit
Anti-epileptics	Sodium Valproate, Lamotrigine, Carbamazepine, Levetiracetam, Clobazam, Clonazepam Midazolam buccal, phenobarbital, Gabapentin & pregabalin (for epilepsy/seizures only)
Anticoagulants	Warfarin, Apixaban, Dabigatran, Edoxaban, Rivaroxaban