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Adult Hospital Level Essential Medicines

This document lists the NEMLC approved therapeutic classes and respective

- Therapeutic classes are described per indication
- The example of a therapeutic class as listed in the Adult Hospital Level STG
- Evidence has been provided and graded as per Strength of Recommendation
- Prescriber level and duration of therapy are as recommended in the Adult

Note:

- The therapeutic class spreadsheet should be used with the most recently published
- This is a guidance document to be used in consultation with local formularies and
- Supporting material include i) NEMLC reports for the Adult Hospital Level STGs ;
- Equipotent doses of medicines within a therapeutic classes has been provided as
- Defined daily doses (DDD) have been calculated according to the treatment regimen
- Categorisation of medicine as vital, essential or necessary may vary in pandemic
- The therapeutic policy describes the classification of medicines into therapeutic classes

If you have any queries about the contents of this list, please contact the Essential

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