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## Medicine Supply Notification: Prochlorperazine (Stemetil®) 12.5mg/ml solution for injection ampoules

Tier 2 – medium impact

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### Summary

- Prochlorperazine (Stemetil®) 12.5mg/ml solution for injection ampoules are out of stock until early April 2026.
- Prochlorperazine buccal tablets remain available and can support increased demand.
- Alternative parenteral anti-emetics remain available and can support an increased demand.

### Actions Required

NHS Provider Trust Pharmacy Procurement teams should:

- review local stock holding of prochlorperazine 12.5mg/ml solution for injection ampoules, including stock being held at ward locations and estimate if they hold sufficient stock to meet the anticipated demand until the re-supply date.

Where there are insufficient stocks, the organisation should:

- work with appropriate clinical leads to review the use of prochlorperazine injection and switch to an alternative agent, ensuring impacted clinical areas are made aware of this shortage and local mitigations.

Refer to [BNF](#) and local formulary/guidelines for choice of alternative parenteral antiemetic treatment options.

## Supporting Information

### Clinical Information

Prochlorperazine injection is licenced for the treatment of nausea and vomiting. It is one of several first line treatment options in hyperemesis gravidarum and is used as a rescue anti-emetic in post-operative nausea and vomiting. It also has a licence for schizophrenia (particularly the chronic stage) and acute mania, but is rarely used for these indications, where alternative short acting antipsychotics are more likely to be prescribed. Prochlorperazine buccal tablets are also licensed for treatment of nausea and vomiting.

### Links to further information

[BNF: Nausea and labyrinth disorders](#)

[BNF: Nausea and vomiting during pregnancy](#)

[BNF: Postoperative nausea and vomiting](#)

[SmPC: Cyclizine injection](#)

[SmPC: Droperidol 2.5mg/ml Solution for Injection ampoules](#)

[SmPC: Metoclopramide injection](#)

[SmPC: Ondansetron injection](#)

[SmPC: Prochlorperazine](#)

[SmPC: Promethazine \(Phenergan®\) 25mg/ml solution for injection ampoules](#)

[SmPC: Haloperidol injection](#)