



MINISTRY for HEALTH

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Attn All Consultants
Medical Practitioners
Pharmacists
Pharmacy Technicians
Nurses & Midwives

From: Central Procurement and Supplies Unit (CPSU)

Subject: Medicine Alert – Olanzapine 5mg tablets (A500)

Olanzapine 5mg tablets (A500) are listed on the Government Formulary List to be prescribed by Consultant Psychiatrists for Schedule V card holders for the treatment of various clinical indications.

Olanzapine 5mg tablets may be supplied as coated tablets or dispersible tablets.

Olanzapine 5mg tablets currently in stock are dispersible.

As per package leaflet from the company

“Put the tablet in your mouth. It will be dissolved directly in your mouth, so that it can be easily swallowed. You can place the tablet in a full glass or cup of water or other suitable beverage (orange juice, apple juice, milk or coffee) and stir. Drink it straightaway.”

It is important that the dispenser always reads the label on the outer pack and advise the patient accordingly.

In case of any queries, kindly contact Healthcare Intelligence Unit on Tel 25404112 or email: hiu-cpsu.meh-health@gov.mt

For your attention please.

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