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Office of the Chief Medical Officer

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Attention All: Consultants
Medical Officers
Pharmacists
Pharmacy Technicians
Nurses

Re: Tirofiban 250mcg/ml Concentrate for Solution for Infusion

It is being brought to your attention that tirofiban 250mcg/ml concentrate for solution for infusion is available on the Government Formulary List. Tirofiban belongs to a class of antiplatelet drugs named glycoprotein IIb/IIIa inhibitors.

Tirofiban is for in-patient use and is regulated with protocol number 266 (attached). It can be prescribed by Consultant Cardiologists.

For your attention please.

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Chief Medical Officer

Tirofiban 250mcg/ml Concentrate for Solution for Infusion

Prescriber Criteria: Consultant Cardiologist

In-patient use:

To be used for the prevention of early MI in adult patients presenting with acute coronary syndromes without ST elevation (NSTEMI-ACS) with the last episode of chest pain occurring within 12 hours and with ECG changes and/or elevated cardiac enzymes.

Patients most likely to benefit from tirofiban treatment are those at high risk of developing MI within the first 3-4 days after the onset of acute angina symptoms e.g. patients likely to undergo an early PCI.

Tirofiban is intended for use with aspirin and unfractionated Heparin.