

Use of iloprost trometamol (Ventavis®) within NHS Wales

Please disseminate the following information to the appropriate individuals within your organisation across NHS Wales.

Dear Colleague

The Minister for Health & Social Services has endorsed AWMSG's recommendation that the use of iloprost trometamol (Ventavis®) be supported for use within NHS Wales.

AWMSG recommendation:

AWMSG recommends that iloprost trometamol (Ventavis®) should be made available for use within NHS Wales with the following restrictions:

It is used according to its licensed indications within NHS Wales for the treatment of patients with New York Heart Association Class III primary pulmonary hypertension as a second-line treatment when oral treatments are ineffective or not tolerated.

Iloprost trometamol (Ventavis®) should also be restricted for use only as an alternative in patients receiving other forms of prostacyclin treatment.

Iloprost trometamol (Ventavis®) should be initiated by specialists in centres treating pulmonary hypertension.

If you wish to view the appraisal meeting documentation please click to the [AWMSG website](#).

This information has been disseminated by the AWMSG Secretariat.

Professor Philip A. Routledge
Acting Chairman AWMSG

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This email has been sent to the following:

Welsh Assembly Government

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LHB Medical Directors
LHB Finance Directors
LHB Nurse Directors
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