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Dear Colleague

BECLOMETASONE DIPROPIONATE PRESSURISED METERED DOSE INHALER

Attached is updated prescribing advice on the Beclometasone Dipropionate Pressurised Metered Dose Inhaler. This has been issued by Professor Kent Woods Chief Executive of MHRA.

Prescribers are asked to follow the guidance contained in the attached letter to ensure that new patients and those already established on treatment are prescribed this medicine in accordance with the latest recommendations.

A questions and answers document for patients on beclometasone dipropionate pressurised metered dose inhaler is available on the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency's website www.mhra.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

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