

# The palliMEDS app list of palliative care medicines

MEDICINE		PACKAGED AS #	CLINICAL USES FOR PALLIATIVE PATIENTS
*Clonazepam liquid (oral drops) <sup>1,2</sup>	2.5 mg/mL (0.1 mg/drop) oral	1 bottle (10 mL)	Agitation, anxiety, terminal restlessness, seizure
Clonazepam injection <sup>1</sup>	1 mg/mL	1 box (5 ampoules)	Agitation, anxiety, terminal restlessness, seizure
Dexamethasone injection <sup>3</sup>	4 mg/mL	1 box (5 ampoules)	Pain, inflammation, dyspnoea, nausea/vomiting
Fentanyl citrate injection <sup>3</sup>	100 µg/2 mL	1 box (5 or 10 ampoules)	Pain, dyspnoea
*Haloperidol injection <sup>1,2</sup>	5 mg/mL	1 box (10 ampoules)	Delirium, nausea/vomiting, terminal restlessness, refractory distress
Hydromorphone injection <sup>4</sup>	2 mg/mL	1 box (5 ampoules)	Pain, dyspnoea
*Hyoscine butylbromide injection <sup>2,4</sup>	20 mg/mL	1 box (5 ampoules)	Respiratory tract secretions/noisy breathing (prophylactic)
Metoclopramide injection <sup>2,4</sup>	10 mg/2 mL	1 box (10 ampoules)	Nausea/vomiting
Midazolam injection <sup>2</sup>	5 mg/mL	1 box (10 ampoules)	Agitation, anxiety, terminal restlessness, seizure
Morphine liquid (oral solution) <sup>4</sup>	5 mg/mL	1 bottle (200 mL)	Pain, dyspnoea
*Morphine (sulfate or hydrochloride <sup>2</sup> ) injection <sup>4</sup>	10 mg/mL	1 box (5 ampoules)	Pain, dyspnoea
Morphine sulfate injection <sup>2,4</sup>	30 mg/mL	1 box (5 ampoules)	Pain, dyspnoea

\*On the [National Core Community Palliative Care Medicines List](#)

#Packaging quantities and size may vary depending on product/brand availability. Please check the PBS or speak to your pharmacist for more information at time of prescribing.

## PBS listing

<sup>1</sup>PBS listed – Palliative Care Schedule (Restricted Benefit)

<sup>2</sup>PBS listed – Prescriber Bag

<sup>3</sup>Not on the PBS

<sup>4</sup>PBS listed – Palliative Care Schedule (Streamlined Authority Required)

# About the app

## How can the palliMEDS app be used?

palliMEDS supports:

- Primary care prescribers to provide optimal symptom management to their patients in the community
- Other clinicians to inform their practice.

palliMEDS can be downloaded for free from:



## How was the palliMEDS palliative care medicines list developed?

caring@home convened a national Working Party of clinicians (palliative medicine specialists, rural generalists, general practitioners, pharmacists, nurses) with representation from:

- ACT Health
- Agency for Clinical Innovation – End of Life and Palliative Care Network, New South Wales
- Australia New Zealand Society of Palliative Medicine (ANZSPM)
- Australian College of Nurse Practitioners (ACNP)
- Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine (ACRRM)
- Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care (ACSQHC)
- Department of Health, Tasmania
- Metro South Palliative Care Service, Metro South Health Queensland
- Northern Territory PHN (NTPHN)
- Palliative Care Australia (PCA)
- Pharmaceutical Society of Australia (PSA)
- South Australia Health
- Safer Care Victoria
- The Royal Australian College of General Practitioners Ltd (RACGP)
- Western Australia Country Health Service (WACHS)
- Western New South Wales Local Health District (LHD).

## More information

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