Summary of Medicine Switches in NHSGGC Nov. 2017

Generic drug	Previous Brand	Form	Dosage strengths	Replacement Brand	Form	Dosage strengths	Additional Information
Oxycodone	Oxycontin	Tablet	5,10,15, 20,30,40, 60,80,120mg	Longtec	Tablet	5,10,15, 20,30,40, 60,80,120mg	Identical product
Oxycodone	Oxynorm	Capsules	5,10,20mg	Shortec	Capsule	5,10,20mg	Identical product
Oxycodone	Oxynorm	Liquid	5mg/5ml,10mg/ml	Shortec	Liquid	5mg/5ml,10mg/ml	Identical product
Morphine	MST	Tablets	5,10,15, 30,60,100, 200mg	Zomorph	Capsule	10,30,60, 100,200mg No 5mg or 15mg available	Not identical, different form for prescription writing, no availability of 5mg or 15mg dosage increments so mixed brands may be required
Morphine	Sevredol	Tablets	10mg, 20mg, 50mg	NO CHANGES			
Buprenorphine	Butrans	Patch	5, 10, 20 micrograms/hour	BuTec	Patch	5,10, 20 micrograms/hour	Identical product
Fentanyl	Durogesic	Patch	12, 25, 50,75,100 micrograms/hour	Matrifen	Patch	12,25,50,75,100 micrograms	Monitor for problems with Matrifen adhesion and report to pharmacy team
Hydromorphone	Hydromorphone injection (Unlicensed medicine)	Injectable	10mg/1ml, 20mg/1ml, 50mg/1ml	Palladone (licensed injection)	Injectable	2mg/1ml, 10mg/1ml, 20mg/1ml, 50mg/1ml	GGC have obligation to use licensed products even if these products are less cost effective
Lidocaine plaster	Versatis	Plaster (topical use)	5%	Ralvo	Plaster (topical use)	5%	Identical product just cheaper