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A message to our Dispense Customers

Update 13/04/21: Please note that a silent update will be deployed the evening of Thursday, 15th April to all dispense customers. This update will complete the remaining Humira data (and its biosimilars), as well as Spialto and Spiriva.

RE: Adalimumab PBS Changes for 1 April 2021

The **Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS)** has added new listings for *adalimumab* which includes a new "Humira" formulation (citrate free), as well as its biosimilars.

This change has disrupted the **1 April 2021 PBS drug update release** and has resulted in the need for manual updates by pharmacists.

Old Humira PBS Listings (scripts dated prior to 1st April 2021)

The old ''Humira'' formulation (and its PBS item codes) will now be 'Supply only'.

When supplying prescriptions for originals or repeats, and which were written prior to, but supplied **after 1 April 2021**, pharmacies **MUST** update the quantity representing the units (pens/syringes), supplied as 4 or 6 as applicable (remembering to allow for broken packs) from what was previously represented as a pack quantity of 1.

The above change applies to the following PBS codes:

- 08961P (MQ= 6)
- 08962Q (MQ= 6)
- 09186L (MQ= 6)
- 09187M (MQ= 6)
- 10397F (MQ= 6)
- 10404N (MQ= 6)
- 10945C (MQ= 6)
- 10972L (MQ= 6)
- 11132X (MQ= 6)
- 11133Y (MQ= 4) [2 Repeats]
- 11137E (MQ= 4) [5 Repeats]

Any prescription claimed/dispensed/supplied **before 1st April 2021** DOES NOT require any modification to the quantity.

Further details regarding the 1 April 2021 PBS drug update are available at: <https://www.pbs.gov.au/info/news/2021/03/adalimumab-pbs-changes-1->

[april-2021](#).

You can also keep your pharmacy up to date with the latest PBS changes by visiting our website at: <https://corumhealth.com.au/industry-news>.

Should you have any questions, please contact your **Customer Success Manager** for assistance, or access our [LiveChat](#).

Yours sincerely,

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