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DELISTING OF PHARMACEUTICAL BENEFIT ITEMS EFFECTIVE 01 JANUARY 2025

Following is the advice of the Pharmaceutical Benefits Advisory Committee (PBAC) concerning the delisting of items from the declaration under subsections 85(2) and 85(2A) of the *National Health Act 1953*, with effect from the above date.

<u>Item</u> PBAC Advice

Hypromellose with carbomer 980

The sponsor requested the delisting of Genteal® gel (hypromellose with carbomer 980) and HPMC PAA (hypromellose with carbomer 980) from the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS).

The PBAC noted there are multiple alternative lubricating eye gel products available. The PBAC advised the delisting of these products would not result in an unmet clinical need.

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