

**GP Fact Sheet: Arrangements for the access to antimicrobials for Community-based Patients with Infections in whom Nystatin Pessaries, Linezolid, Tedizolid or Fidaxomylin are the only treatment options.**

**GP**

- The patient is in the community and microbiology has advised that one of the above drugs is to be prescribed.
- Microbiology will not have seen the patient but will be advising based on sensitivities.
- The GP will need to check that there are no contraindications to the recommended antibiotic

**Microbiologist Advise G.P. to prescribe on FP10 prescription**

Patient in the community requires use of one of the following drugs

- Nystatin Pessaries-**This should be obtained from TRFT Inpatient Pharmacy** and prescribed for candida sensitivities in whom no other agents *are suitable*
- Linezolid/tedizolid – symptomatic cellulitis in whom no other oral agents *are suitable*
- Fidaxomylin – symptomatic recurrent clostridium difficile that has not responded to treatment with metronidazole and/or vancomycin

**GP / Community Pharmacy / patient/ representative**

GP, Community pharmacy or patient/ representative to contact TRFT Inpatient Pharmacy to check drug availability and then collect from TRFT Inpatient Pharmacy during normal opening hours:

**Mon to Fri**  
**10:00 to 19:00**  
**Weekends and Bank holidays 10:00 to 15:00**  
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**TRFT pharmacy 01709 424472**

Patient presents at community pharmacy with FP10 prescription

Community pharmacy unable to obtain prescription at all or in a timely

**GP**

Issue patient with FP10 and advise to try and obtain prescription from their community pharmacy.

Community pharmacies will not routinely stock these antibiotics leading to a delay in starting medication: patients should be advised on the timescale that is acceptable in these circumstances.

**If treatment is to start immediately**

Patient presents at TRFT Inpatient Pharmacy with FP10 prescription

**TRFT Inpatient Pharmacy**

1. Check allergies/interactions/ contraindications with G.P or patient as appropriate
2. Inform patient / G.P. regarding opening hours and access to the department when shutter is down
3. Clinically check and dispense drug
4. Completed prescription to be sent to the Chief Pharmacist
5. TRFT will cross charge the CCG for the antibiotics.