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The Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI) uses the Health Canada Drug Product Database to determine the medications that are included in the Home and Continuing Care (HCC) Medication List. Health Canada classifies these drugs using the World Health Organization’s Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical (ATC) classification system.

In the ATC classification system, the active substances are divided into different groups according to the organ or system on which they act and according to their therapeutic, pharmacological and chemical properties. Both the chemical name and examples of common brand names are provided.

The ATC code can be used to determine the classification and appropriate coding of medications not included in this document. Drugs are classified in groups at 5 different levels: third-level ATC codes are provided for analgesics, topical analgesics, hypnotics, anti-anxieties, antidepressants and antipsychotics, and second-/third-level ATC codes are provided for diuretics. All medications approved as such by Health Canada and with ATC classifications starting with these codes should be captured in their respective category. For example, a medication with an ATC code that begins with “M01A” would be captured as an analgesic. The ATC code for a medication can be found by referring to Health Canada’s [Drug Product Database](#).

Some medications are included in a given category that is not the main ATC classification because they are used for the identified condition. An example is pregabalin, which is used to treat pain and is classified under Analgesics as opposed to the main classification of Anticonvulsant.

Classification	Chemical	Common brand name
Antipsychotics/ neuroleptics (ATC classification: N05A)	Aripiprazole	Abilify
	Asenapine	Saphris
	Brexpiprazole	Rexulti
	Chlorpromazine	Largactil
	Clozapine	Clozaril
	Flupentixol	Fluanxol
	Fluphenazine	Moditen
	Haloperidol	Haldol
	Levomepromazine (methotrimeprazine)	Nozinan, Methoprazine, Novo Mepazine
	Lithium	Carbolith, Lithane, Duralith
	Loxapine	Loxapac
Lurasidone	Latuda	

Classification	Chemical	Common brand name
Antipsychotics/ neuroleptics (ATC classification: N05A) (continued)	Olanzapine	Zyprexa
	Paliperidone	Invega
	Periciazine	Neuleptil
	Perphenazine	Trilafon
	Pimozide	Orap
	Prochlorperazine	Stemetil
	Quetiapine	Seroquel
	Risperidone	Risperdal
	Thiopropazine	Majeptil
	Tiotixene (thiothixene)	Navane
	Trifluoperazine	Terfluzine
	Ziprasidone	Zeldox
	Zuclopenthixol	Clopixol
Antidepressants (ATC classification: N06A)	Amitriptyline	Elavil, Levate
	Bupropion	Wellbutrin
	Citalopram	Celexa
	Clomipramine	Anafranil
	Desipramine	Norpramin
	Desvenlafaxine	Pristiq
	Doxepin	Doxepine
	Duloxetine	Cymbalta
	Escitalopram	Ciprallex
	Fluoxetine	Prozac
	Fluvoxamine	Luvox
	Imipramine	Tofranil
	Levomilnacipran	Fetzima
	Mirtazapine	Remeron
	Moclobemide	Manerix
	Nortriptyline	Aventyl, Norventyl
	Paroxetine	Paxil
	Phenelzine	Nardil
	Sertraline	Zoloft
	Tranlycypromine	Parnate
	Trazodone	Desyrel
	Trimipramine	Surmontil
Tryptophan	Tryptan	
Venlafaxine	Effexor	
Vilazodone	Viibryd	
Vortioxetine	Trintellix	

Classification	Chemical	Common brand name
Anti-anxieties (ATC classification: A03C, N05B)	Alprazolam	Xanax
	Bromazepam	Lectopam
	Buspirone	BuSpar
	Chlordiazepoxide	Chlordiazepoxide
	Clidinium–chlordiazepoxide combinations	Librax
	Clonazepam	Rivotril
	Clorazepate potassium	Apo-Clorazepate, Tranxene
	Diazepam	Valium, Diazemuls
	Hydroxyzine	Atarax
	Lorazepam	Ativan
Oxazepam	Oxpam	
Hypnotics (ATC classification: N05C)	Chloral hydrate	Noctec
	Dexmedetomidine	Precedex
	Eszopiclone	Lunesta
	Flurazepam	Dalmane, Somnol
	Midazolam	Midazolam injection
	Nitrazepam	Mogadon
	Suvorexant	Belsomra
	Temazepam	Restoril
	Triazolam	Halcion
	Zolpidem	Sublinox
Zopiclone	Imovane, Rhovane	
Analgesics (ATC classification: M01A, M03B, N02A, N02B, N02C, R05D) (for use with the RAI-HC and RAI-MDS 2.0 only)	Acetaminophen (paracetamol)	Atasol, Novo-Gesic, Tylenol, Tempra, Abenol
	Acetaminophen–codeine	Atasol 8, Novo-Gesic C8
	Acetaminophen–oxycodone	Percocet, Endocet, Rivacocet
	Acetaminophen–pseudoephedrine combinations	Buckley's, Benylin
	Acetylsalicylic acid Note: Acetylsalicylic acid given once a day as an antithrombotic agent, regardless of dose, is considered to be an antithrombotic agent. Acetylsalicylic acid given as an analgesic, regardless of dose and frequency, should be captured as an analgesic.	Entrophen, ASA, Novasen, Bufferin, Aspirin
	Acetylsalicylic acid–butalbital combinations	Fiorinal, Trianal
	Acetylsalicylic acid–codeine	222s, 282s
	Acetylsalicylic acid–oxycodone	Percodan, Teva Oxycodan
	acetylsalicylic acid–caffeine	Anacin
Acetylsalicylic acid–butalbital–codeine combinations	Fiorinal C1/4, Tecnal, Fiorinal C1/2	

Classification	Chemical	Common brand name
Analgesics (ATC classification: M01A, M03B, N02A, N02B, N02C, R05D) (for use with the RAI-HC and RAI-MDS 2.0 only) (continued)	Almotriptan	Axert
	Buprenorphine	Butrans
	Butorphanol	Stadol
	Cannabinoids	Sativex, marijuana
	Celecoxib	Celebrex
	Chlorzoxazone–acetaminophen combinations	Acetazone Forte
	Chlorzoxazone–acetaminophen–codeine combinations	Acetazone Forte C8
	Clonidine	Dixarit
	Codeine	Codeine
	Codeine–acetaminophen	Atasol, Lenoltec, 292s, Tylenol With Codeine
	Codeine–acetylsalicylic acid	Robaxisal-C
	Diclofenac	Voltaren
	Diclofenac–misoprostol combinations	Arthrotec
	Diflunisal	Dolobid
	Dihydroergotamine	Migranal
	Eletriptan	Relpax
	Erenumab	Aimovig
	Etodolac	Ultradol
	Fentanyl	Duragesic, Abstral
	Floctafenine	Idarac
	Flurbiprofen	Ansaid, Froben
	Frovatriptan	Frova
	Gabapentin	Neurontin
	Hydrocodone	Hycodan
	Hydromorphone	Dilaudid
	Ibuprofen	Motrin, Advil
	Ibuprofen–pseudoephedrine hydrochloride–chlorpheniramine maleate combinations	Advil Cough and Cold
	Indometacin (indomethacin)	Indocid
	Ketoprofen	Rhodis
	Ketorolac	Toradol
	Mefenamic acid	Ponstan
	Meloxicam	Mobicox
Methadone	Metadol	
Methocarbamol–acetaminophen combinations	Robaxacet, Robaxacet Extra Strength	
Methocarbamol–acetylsalicylic acid combinations	Robaxisal, Robaxisal Extra Strength	

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Analgesics (ATC classification: M01A, M03B, N02A, N02B, N02C, R05D) (for use with the RAI-HC and RAI-MDS 2.0 only) (continued)	Methocarbamol–ibuprofen combinations	Advil Back Pain, Robax Platinum
	Methoxyflurane	Penthrox
	Morphine	M.O.S., Statex, Doloral, MS IR, MS Contin, Kadian, M-Eslon
	Nabumetone	Relafen
	Nalbuphine (nalbuphine)	Nubain
	Naproxen	Naprosyn, Anaprox
	Naproxen–esomeprazole combinations	Vimovo
	Naratriptan	Amerge
	Opium and belladonna	Opium and belladonna
	Oxycodone	OxyNEO, Supeudol, Oxy IR, OxyContin
	Oxycodone–naloxone combinations	Targin
	Pentazocine	Talwin
	Pethidine (meperidine)	Demerol
	Piroxicam	Piroxicam
	Pizotifen	Sandomigran
	Pregabalin	Lyrica
	Rizatriptan	Maxalt
	Sulindac	Sulindac
	Sumatriptan	Imitrex
	Tapentadol	Nucynta CR
	Tenoxicam	Tenoxicam
	Tiaprofenic acid	Surgam
	Tramadol	Zytram, Ralivia, Durela
Tramadol–acetaminophen combinations	Tramacet	
Zolmitriptan	Zomig	
Topical analgesics (ATC classification: D04A, M02A) (for use with the RAI-HC and RAI-MDS 2.0 only)	Benzocaine	Solarcaine
	Benzocaine–tetracaine combinations	Cetacaine, Zap Topical Anesthetic Gel
	Chloroxylenol–menthol combinations	Absorbine Jr.
	Diclofenac	Voltaren Emulgel
	Doxepin	Zonalon
	Lidocaine	Lidodan Topical Ointment, Solarcaine, Xylocaine Ointment
	Lidocaine–menthol combinations	TPR 20, Burn Relief Gel
	Lidocaine–prilocaine combinations	EMLA Cream
	Pramocaine (pramoxine)	Caladryl, Aveeno Anti-Itch, Polysporin Itch Relief
	Tetracaine	Ametop, Viractin
Topical preparations with salicylic acid derivatives (i.e., trolamine salicylate)	Aspercreme, Myoflex, Bengay	

Classification	Chemical	Common brand name
Diuretics (ATC classification: C03, C07C, C09B, C09D, C09X) (for use with the RAI-MDS 2.0 only)	Amiloride	Midamor
	Aliskiren and hydrochlorothiazide	Rasilez HCT
	Atenolol–chlorthalidone combinations	Tenoretic
	Azilsartan medoxomil and chlorthalidone	Edarbyclor
	Bumetanide	Burinex
	Candesartan–hydrochlorothiazide combinations	Atacand Plus, Candesartan Plus
	Chlorthalidone (chlorthalidone)	Hygroton
	Cilazapril–hydrochlorothiazide combinations	Inhibace Plus
	Enalapril–hydrochlorothiazide combinations	Vaseretic
	Eplerenone	Inspira
	Eprosartan–hydrochlorothiazide combinations	Teveten Plus
	Etacrynic acid (ethacrynic acid)	Edecrin
	Furosemide	Lasix
	Hydrochlorothiazide	Hydrazide, Urozide
	Hydrochlorothiazide–spironolactone	Aldactazide
	Hydrochlorothiazide–triamterene	Apo-Triazide, Dyazide
	Hydrochlorothiazide–amiloride combinations	Moduret, Novamilor
	Indapamide	Lozide
	Irbesartan–hydrochlorothiazide combinations	Avalide
	Lisinopril–hydrochlorothiazide combinations	Prinzide, Zestoretic
	Losartan–hydrochlorothiazide combinations	Hyzaar
	Metolazone	Zaroxolyn
	Olmesartan medoxomil–hydrochlorothiazide combinations	Olmetec Plus
	Pamabrom	Diurex
	Perindopril–indapamide combinations	Coversyl Plus, Arcosyl Plus
	Pindolol–hydrochlorothiazide combinations	Viskazine
	Quinapril–hydrochlorothiazide combinations	Accuretic
	Ramipril–hydrochlorothiazide combinations	Altace HCT
Spironolactone	Aldactone	
Telmisartan–hydrochlorothiazide combinations	Micardis Plus	
Tolvaptan	Samsca, Jinarc	
Valsartan–hydrochlorothiazide combinations	Diovan-HCT	

Appendix: Release notes

This appendix documents the changes to the HCC medication list.

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Action taken	Chemical	Common brand name
Updated common brand name	Lidocaine–menthol combinations	TPR 20, Burn Relief Gel
Updated common brand name	Acetaminophen–oxycodone	Percocet, Endocet, Rivacocet
Updated common brand name	Acetylsalicylic acid–oxycodone	Percodan, Teva Oxycodan
Added new chemical	Acetylsalicylic acid–butalbital combinations	Fiorinal, Trianal
Added new chemical	Erenumab	Aimovig
Added new chemical	Brexpirazole	Rexulti
Added new chemical	Suvorexant	Belsomra
Added new chemical	Gabapentin	Neurontin
Added new chemical	Methadone	Metadol
Added new chemical	Pregabalin	Lyrica
Removed chemical	Cinchocaine (dibucaine)	Nupercainal Antiseptic CRM
Removed chemical	Droperidol	Droperidol
Removed chemical	Ergotamine–dimenhydrinate–caffeine combinations	Cafergot tab
Removed chemical	Codeine–butalbital combinations	Fiorinal C1/2
Removed chemical	Maprotiline	Ludiomil
Removed chemical	Methyldopa–hydrochlorothiazide combinations	Methazide, Dopazide
Removed chemical	Oxaprozin	Daypro
Removed chemical	Pipotiazine	Piportil
Removed chemical	Topical preparations with salicylic acid derivatives (i.e., methyl salicylate)	Rub A535, Novae Pain Relief, Analgesic Lotion
Removed chemical	Zucapsaicin	Zuacta
Updated chemical name	Levomilnacipran (formerly levomilnacipran hydrochloride)	Fetzima
Updated chemical name	Vortioxetine (formerly vortioxetine hydrobromide)	Trintellix
Removed ATC classification	ATC classification C02L removed from the list of classifications for diuretics as there are no chemicals under this classification in Canada	ATC classification C02L removed from the list of classifications for diuretics
Realigned categories for consistency	Acetylsalicylic acid–butalbital–codeine combinations	Fiorinal C1/2, Fiorinal C1/4, Tecnal

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