

**Information Sheet for Samaritan Fund & Community Care Fund
Medical Assistance Programmes – Application for Drug Items**
(Applicable to Drug Items with Capping Programmes)

1. The following drug items currently covered by Samaritan Fund (SF) and Community Care Fund Medical Assistance Programmes (CCF) are under Capping Programmes where free drugs are subsequently provided through designated community pharmacies :

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| ● Abemaciclib | ● Eltrombopag (<i>for treating severe aplastic anaemia</i>) | ● Midostaurin |
| ● Abiraterone | ● Enzalutamide | ● Niraparib |
| ● Acalabrutinib | ● Everolimus | ● Olaparib |
| ● Alectinib | ● Gilteritinib | ● Osimertinib |
| ● Apalutamide | ● Ibrutinib | ● Palbociclib |
| ● Axitinib | ● Ixazomib | ● Pomalidomide |
| ● Brigatinib | ● Lenalidomide | ● Ribociclib |
| ● Ceritinib | ● Lenvatinib | ● Ruxolitinib |
| ● Crizotinib | ● Lorlatinib [^] * | ● Venetoclax |
| ● Dabrafenib and Trametinib | | ● Zanubrutinib |

(*With effect from 14 December 2024)

[^]*For the treatment of adult patients with metastatic non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) whose tumors are anaplastic lymphoma kinase (ALK)-positive and with baseline brain metastasis*

(Remarks: The Patient Access Programmes (PAP) of Nintedanib(Ofev) is terminated with effect from 14 October 2023. Existing patients enrolled to the PAP before 14 October 2023 are not affected.)

- (i) For details of the designated community pharmacies' Capping Programmes, please consult your attending doctor or refer to the webpages of the designated community pharmacies in Appendix.
- (ii) After receiving the defined number of cycles of medication at hospitals under Hospital Authority (HA), patients who are subsidised by SF or CCF for the above-mentioned drug items are required to obtain free drugs for the subsequent treatment cycles **at designated community pharmacies**, until termination of drug treatment as recommended by doctors¹ or completion of definite treatment period of the following drugs:

Eltrombopag (*for treating severe aplastic anaemia*) – 6 months

Midostaurin (*for treating newly diagnosed acute myeloid leukaemia*) – 12 cycles of Maintenance Phase

The drug subsidies from SF or CCF will also be terminated immediately upon completion of the defined number of cycles of medication.

- (iii) To ensure that the treatment and relevant subsidies will not be interrupted, patients are required to initiate the registration process with the designated community pharmacies within one month upon approval of SF or CCF or within the specified period as required by respective designated community pharmacies². In addition, the original copies of the self-financed drug invoices and receipts for the purchase of related drugs in hospitals under HA should also be retained.

¹ Must be based on doctor's clinical decision to confirm whether the drug treatment should be continued.

² Free drugs will **not** be provided immediately for patients without prior registration at the designated community pharmacies.

- 2 Patients who purchased following drugs through self-financing in HA could apply for subsidy from relevant community pharmacies. But this arrangement is **not applicable** to patients under SF or CCF assistance. Before applying for assistance from SF or CCF, please refer to the webpage of the relevant community pharmacies or consult your attending doctor for details.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Brigatinib ● Ixazomib 	Can refer to the following webpage of the following community pharmacy for details: https://charityservices.sjs.org.hk/charity/pharmacy
Pembrolizumab	Can consult your attending doctor for details.

HA may change or amend the contents of this information sheet without prior notice and the latest version of "Information Sheet for Samaritan Fund & Community Care Fund Medical Assistance Programmes - Application for Drug Items (Applicable to Drug Items with Capping Programmes)" shall prevail.

Contact Information of the Designated Community Pharmacies

St. James' Settlement's Philanthropic Community Pharmacy

Website: <https://charityservices.sjs.org.hk/charity/pharmacy>

Hong Kong Island : Wan Chai

Tel no. : 2831 3289

Address : North Wing, 8/F, St. James' Settlement, 85 Stone Nullah Lane, Wan Chai, HK

Kowloon : Sham Shui Po

Tel no. : 2389 9456

Address : Shop 7, G/F, High One Grand, 188 Fuk Wing Street, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon, HK

Kowloon : Kwun Tong

Tel no. : 2116 4958

Address : Shop C1, 12/F, TG Place, 10 Shing Yip Street, Kwun Tong, Kowloon, HK

New Territories : Shatin

Tel no. : 2116 1276

Address : Rm 917, 9/F, Shatin Galleria, 18-24 Shan Mei Street, Fo Tan, Shatin, New Territories, HK

[The following community pharmacy for Acalabrutinib and Venetoclax]

SafeMed Dispensary O/B The Hong Kong Pharmaceutical Care Foundation Ltd

Website: <http://www.pcfhk.org>

Tel no. : 2979 0380

Address : Room 1, Workshop 3 & 4, 7th Floor, CRE Centre, 889 Cheung Sha Wan Road, Lai Chi Kok, Kowloon, HK