

DRUG SAFETY NOTICE

DRUG NAME/STRENGTH/Form:

Glucagon 0.5mg and 1mg

PROBLEM

- GlucaGen® 1mg powder for injection kit will be unavailable from mid-June until to mid-July 2023 at which point normal supply is expected to resume.
- There are two glucagon preparations available
 - GlucaGen® (1mg powder for injection kit)
 - Ogluo® (0.5mg and 1mg pre-filled auto-injector pens)

ADVICE / ALTERNATIVE

- Ogluo® 0.5mg and 1mg pre-filled auto-injector pens can be used for the treatment of severe hypoglycaemic episodes
 - It is not suitable for treatment of beta blocker or other drug overdoses.
- Keep in mind Ogluo stocks will be shortdated – 31st July
- Glucagen to be used after this date
- Ogluo® (pre-filled auto-injector pen containing solution) - only licensed to be given subcutaneously.

ACTIONS

- Prioritise Ogluo for Hypoglycaemia
- Glucagen stocks to be reserved for use after short dated Ogluo stocks depleted
- Beta blockers or other overdoses to be treated with High Dose Insulin treatment as recommended by Toxbase - [Glucagon \(Toxbase.org\)](https://www.toxbase.org)

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