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EDITOR'S CHOICE

REVISED PROGRAMS

The BCCA Provincial Systemic Therapy Program has revised the following programs effective 1 April 2016:

Lymphoma:

Bendamustine with or without Rituximab for Indolent Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma (NHL) and Mantle Cell Lymphoma (ULYBENDR, ULYBEND) – The BCCA Lymphoma Tumour Group has revised the eligibility criteria of ULYBENDR and ULYBEND to be consistent with the indications supported by the pan-Canadian Oncology Drug Review (pCODR). Bendamustine with rituximab is now approved for the treatment of relapsed/refractory indolent NHL and mantle cell lymphoma in any line of therapy. Single-agent bendamustine is also approved in this setting in patients who were refractory or intolerant to rituximab. There is no longer a requirement for patients to have failed prior BCCA standard treatment (e.g. involved field radiation, alkylating agents, purine analogues or gemcitabine) to be eligible for bendamustine in the treatment of relapsed/refractory indolent NHL and mantle cell lymphoma.

BCCA WEBSITE UNAVAILABLE - SATURDAY, APRIL 9TH

Please note that the BCCA website will not be available on Saturday, April 9th between 6 am to 1 pm due to scheduled maintenance.

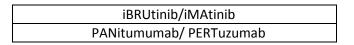
MEDICATION SAFETY CORNER

REVISION OF BCCA TALLMAN LETTERING LIST

In 2011, the BCCA implemented the Provincial Pharmacy Directive, "Use of TALLman Lettering for Medication Nomenclature", to help prevent errors stemming from look-alike/sound-alike drugs. The directive has recently been updated using the following hierarchy of information:

- 1. Institute for Safe Medication Practices (ISMP) Canada recommendations
- 2. ISMP US recommendations
- 3. Clinical and Systems Transformation (CST) project requirements that are standardized across Provincial Health Services, Vancouver Coastal Health, and Providence Health Authorities

Examples of new ISMP Canada recommendations based on targeted look-alike/sound-alike, high-alert medications include:¹



The incorporation of the revised TALLman list into BCCA documentations and databases will occur gradually over the next few months. BCCA staff may access the revised Provincial Pharmacy Directive in the BCCA internal drive at: h:\EVERYONE\Pharmacy\BCCA Pharmacy Directives\VI_RiskManagement\\VI-90 Medication Nomenclature. To learn more about the BCCA TALLman lettering initiative, please see the March 2011 issue of the Systemic Therapy Update.

Reference:

1. ISMP Canada safety bulletin. Oct 30, 2015; 15(10):1-4. Available at: www.ismp-canada.org/download/safetyBulletins.

CANCER DRUG MANUAL

REVISED MONOGRAPHS AND PATIENT HANDOUTS

Eribulin Monograph

 Dosage Guidelines section – updated dosing recommendations in renal failure and expanded the dosage range for adults

Hyperthermic Intraperitoneal Chemotherapy (HIPEC) has been added to the *Parenteral Administration* table in the following monographs:

- Cisplatin
- Doxorubicin
- Mitomycin
- Oxaliplatin
- Paclitaxel

EDITORIAL BOARD MEMBERSHIP

The Cancer Drug Manual Team would like to welcome Dennis Jang to the CDM Editorial Board. Dennis is the Pharmacy Drug Distribution Coordinator for the BCCA – Vancouver Centre. Welcome Dennis!

LIST OF NEW AND REVISED PROTOCOLS, PRE-PRINTED ORDERS AND PATIENT HANDOUTS

BC Cancer Agency Protocol Summaries, Provincial Pre-Printed Orders (PPPOs) and Patient Handouts are revised periodically. New, revised or deleted protocols, PPPOs and patient handouts for this month are listed below. Protocol codes for treatments requiring BCCA Compassionate Access Program approval are prefixed with the letter "U".

NEW Protocols, PPPOs and Patient Handouts (Affected Documents are Checked):							
CODE	Protocol	PPPO	Patient Handout	Protocol Title			
LULACATRT			$\overline{\checkmark}$	Treatment of Locally Advanced Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer using CARBOplatin and PACLitaxel with Radiation Therapy			

REVISED PROTOCOLS, PPPOS AND PATIENT HANDOUTS (AFFECTED DOCUMENTS ARE CHECKED):								
CODE	Protocol	PPPO	Patient Handout	Changes Protocol Title				
LULACATRT	Ø	Ø		Consolidation chemotherapy clarified	Treatment of Locally Advanced Non- Small Cell Lung Cancer using CARBOplatin and PACLitaxel with Radiation Therapy			
ULYBEND	\square			Eligibility revised	Treatment of Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma with Bendamustine			
ULYBENDR	V			Eligibility revised	Treatment of Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma with Bendamustine and riTUXimab			
LYRMTN				Timing of blood work revised	Maintenance riTUXimab for Indolent Lymphoma			

Website Resources and Contact Information					
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