

SCHEDULE 3

OTHER CONTRACTUAL TERMS

PART 3

SUPPLY OF DRUGS AND PRESCRIBING

General

17. The contractor will ensure that any prescription form for listed drugs, medicines or appliances issued by a prescriber complies as appropriate with the requirements in this Part.

Supply of drugs

18.—(1) A prescriber may supply to a patient listed drugs, medicines or appliances as are required for immediate use before the issue of a prescription for such drugs, medicines or appliances in accordance with paragraph 19.

(2) A prescriber may personally administer to a patient any drug or medicine required for the treatment of that patient.

Issue of prescription forms

19.—(1) A prescriber will order listed drugs, medicines or appliances (other than those supplied under paragraph 18) as are required for the treatment of any patient to whom it is providing services under the contract by issuing to the patient a prescription form.

(2) Every prescription form will—

(a) be signed by the prescriber; and

(b) be issued separately to each patient to whom the contractor is providing services under the contract.

(3) For the purposes of this paragraph, “prescription form” means a form that is supplied for the purposes of this paragraph by the Local Health Board.

Excessive prescribing

20. A prescriber will not prescribe drugs, medicines or appliances whose cost or quantity, in relation to any patient, is, by reason of the character of that drug, medicine or appliance, in excess of that which was reasonably necessary for the proper treatment of that patient.