

## Information on the supply of oral vancomycin and fidaxomicin to treat *Clostridioides difficile* in Primary Care

NICE Guidelines NG199 (July 2021) [Clostridioides difficile infection: antimicrobial prescribing](#) recommends oral vancomycin or fidaxomicin as first and second line treatments respectively for cases of an initial episode of *Clostridioides difficile* infection.

There are currently no readily available licensed formulations of oral liquid vancomycin. For patients unable to manage solid dose formulations of vancomycin the Surrey Heartlands Area Prescribing Committee has recommended licensed fidaxomicin granules for oral suspension as the [preferred option](#).

Vancomycin and fidaxomicin formulations are not routinely stocked in community pharmacies, however they are stocked at community pharmacy wholesalers and can be ordered by the pharmacy for the next delivery (usually daily) when a prescription has been received. This should ensure that patients are able to access these treatments from the most convenient community pharmacy of their choice.

For those situations where prompt delivery to a community pharmacy is not feasible (eg weekends and bank holidays), vancomycin and fidaxomicin can be dispensed from the following community pharmacies in Surrey Heartlands who hold stock on the premises:

Pharmacy	address	telephone	Pharmacy Opening times
Boots, Redhill	9 High St Redhill Surrey RH1 1RD	01737 761037	Mon 09:00 - 18:00 Tues 09:00 - 18:00 Wed 09:00 - 18:00 Thurs 09:00 - 18:00 Fri 09:00 - 18:00 Sat 09:00 - 17:00 Sun 10:30 - 16:00
Boots, Woking	10 Wolsey Walk Woking Surrey GU21 6XU	01483 768091	Mon 09:00 - 18:00 Tues 09:00 - 18:00 Wed 09:00 - 18:00 Thurs 09:00 - 18:00 Fri 09:00 - 18:00 Sat 09:00 - 18:00 Sun 11:00 - 17:00
Boots, Cranleigh	Unit 1-2 Village Chambers Cranleigh Surrey GU6 8AT	01483 274207	Mon 09:00 - 18:00 Tues 09:00 - 18:00 Wed 09:00 - 18:00 Thurs 09:00 - 18:00 Fri 09:00 - 18:00 Sat 09:00 - 17:00 Sun 11:00 - 16:00