



# Medicine Supply Notification

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## Dalivit<sup>®</sup> Oral Drops

Tier 2 – medium impact\*

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Link: [Medicines Supply Tool](#)

## Summary

- Dalivit<sup>®</sup> Oral Drops are out of stock until further notice.
- Abidec<sup>®</sup> Multivitamin Drops remain available and can support increased demand.

## Actions Required

Clinicians should:

- review existing patients to determine if Dalivit<sup>®</sup> Oral Drops are still required;
- consider prescribing Abidec<sup>®</sup> Multivitamin Drops for young children where appropriate, ensuring that they are not intolerant to any of the excipients, including arachis oil (peanut oil), which should not be taken by patients with peanut or soya allergy, and counsel parent(s)/carers on the appropriate dose and volume required; and
- if Abidec<sup>®</sup> drops are not suitable, refer to [NPPG table](#) or local formulary to guide selection of an alternative liquid supplement for use in the paediatric population.

## Supporting information

### Clinical Information

Dalivit<sup>®</sup> Oral Drops and Abidec<sup>®</sup> Multivitamin Drops are indicated for the prevention of vitamin deficiencies and for the maintenance of normal growth and health during the early years of infancy and childhood.

Table 1: Comparison of Abidec<sup>®</sup> Multivitamin Drops and Dalivit<sup>®</sup> Drops

	Abidec <sup>®</sup> Multivitamin Drops	Dalivit <sup>®</sup> Oral Drops
Licensed age range	Children (from 0 to 12 years of age)	Children (from 6 weeks of age) and adults
Dose	Children (under 1 year): 0.3ml daily Children (1 to 12 years): 0.6ml daily Adults and children over 12 years: Not appropriate	Infants (6 weeks to 1 year): 0.3ml daily Older children, adults and elderly: 0.6ml daily or as directed by the physician

\*Classification of Tiers can be found at the following link:

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/a-guide-to-managing-medicines-supply-and-shortages/>

Vitamins per 0.6mL	Vit A	1333 units vitamin A palmitate	5000 units vitamin A palmitate
	Vit B (group)	0.4mg thiamine hydrochloride 0.8mg riboflavin 0.8mg pyridoxine hydrochloride 8mg nicotinamide	1mg thiamine hydrochloride 0.4mg riboflavin 0.5mg pyridoxine hydrochloride 5mg nicotinamide
	Vit C	40mg ascorbic acid	50mg ascorbic acid
	Vit D	400 units ergocalciferol	400 units ergocalciferol
Excipients		Sodium hydroxide Sugar (mineral water grade) Refined peanut oil DL- $\alpha$ -tocopherol Polysorbate 60 Purified water	Sucrose Polysorbate 80 Sodium hydroxide Sodium methyl hydroxybenzoate (E219) Deionized water
Cautions		Patients with rare hereditary problems of fructose intolerance, glucose-galactose malabsorption or sucrase-isomaltase insufficiency should not take this medicine.  <b><u>Contains arachis oil (peanut oil) and should not be taken by patients with peanut or soya allergy.</u></b>	Patients with rare hereditary problems of fructose intolerance, glucose-galactose malabsorption or sucrase-isomaltase insufficiency should not take this medicine.  Contains sodium methylhydroxybenzoate (E219). May cause allergic reactions (possibly delayed).

#### [Links to further information](#)

[SmPC Abidec® Multivitamin Drops](#)

[SmPC Dalivit® Drops](#)

[SPS – Understanding Complementary Medicines](#)

[NPPG Newsletter Spring 2021- Differences between Abidec® products](#)

[The routine supplementation of vitamins and iron in the management of zinc deficiency in preterm and small for gestational age infants](#)

[NPPG Table of Liquid Vitamin and Iron Supplements in Neonates and Children](#)

## Enquiries

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