

Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) prescription —bioequivalent allowed indicator

Metadata item type: Data Element Concept

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Definition: An indicator of whether a [bioequivalent](#) brand of a medicinal product is allowed to be substituted for the brand prescribed from the Schedule of Pharmaceutical Benefits.

Object Class attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Object class: [Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme \(PBS\) prescription](#)

Definition: An order for a medication, therapy or therapeutic device given by a properly authorised person, which ultimately goes to a person properly authorised to dispense, supply or perform the order (in most situations, a pharmacist).

The prescribed medication, therapy or therapeutic device must be listed in the Schedule of Pharmaceutical Benefits.

Context: Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS).

Specialisation of: [Service/care event](#)

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Department of Health

Property attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Property: [Bioequivalent allowed indicator](#)

Definition: An indicator of whether a [bioequivalent](#) brand of a medicinal product is allowed to be substituted for the prescribed brand of medicinal product.

Two formulations of the same drug are considered to be bioequivalent if they attain similar concentrations in blood and tissues at similar times with no clinically important differences between their therapeutic or adverse effects.

The concept of bioequivalence is fundamental to the use of generic medicinal products.

Property group: [Service provision event](#)

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Department of Health

Data element concept attributes

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Relational attributes

**Data Elements
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Element Concept:**

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