

Template for Repurposing Medicine Assessment

This provides an example of how the repurposing medicines assessment may be recorded. Please adapt if required to suit local standard procedures

Record reason for repurposing medicine on donor MAR chart.

If the answer to all questions is yes, the risk of repurposing the medicine may be considered as minimal.

If the answer to any question is no, then the medicine should not be repurposed.

Date	Name of resident (donor)	Name of original prescriber	Registered healthcare professional* performing assessment	Medicine (generic name, form, strength)	Quantity	Suitable for repurposing Y/N

	Yes	No	Comments	Notes
Is the medicine in an intact ampoule or intact blister that has not been tampered with?				If the contents of the blister or the ampoule are completely intact, and match the description on the packaging they were retrieved from (including batch numbers) they can be considered for repurposing.
**Is the medication within its expiry date?				Medicines should be in date. If expired, return to a pharmacy for destruction
Has it been stored appropriately, including any need for refrigeration?				Medication must be stored according to manufacturer's instructions. Medicines requiring refrigeration, or having a reduced shelf-life once removed from refrigerated storage, should be stored at the appropriate temperature. Medicines stored in unsuitable conditions (e.g. direct sunlight, near radiators) or where appropriate storage cannot be confirmed, should not be repurposed.
Has the medicine been prescribed for the donor resident by a prescriber?				Medicines originally prescribed and dispensed via the usual routes for the donor resident can be considered for repurposing

*If a healthcare professional is not available, the role of medicines assessment could be delegated to a competent senior carer or manager. See [NHS England document](#) for details of relevant healthcare professionals who may undertake this role.

**Information on expiry dates. Expiry August 2020 means use by the 31st of August 2020, Use by August 2020 means use by the 31st of July 2020.

If the medicine was from a patient with a diagnosis of COVID-19 or suspected COVID-19, ensure that adequate infection control precautions have been taken. Refer to local infection control guidance.