**Did you know that there is now a map of pharmacies in North and Western Melbourne stocking core palliative care medicines?**

Use this [map](https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=13ZnlbIogz4gOUID5e5Oa8aqBiezzTnoW&ll=-37.728088165750506%2C144.81776334999998&z=11) to find pharmacies who have agreed to stock the core palliative care medicines, listed in the table below. The map is also available on HealthPathways Melbourne.

**Core Medicines List for community palliative care patients in North and Western Melbourne**

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| **Medicine Category** | **First Line Medicines** | **Minimum Quantity to stock** | **Indication/(s) for use in terminal phase patients** |
| **Anxiolytic** | Clonazepam 2.5mg/mL (0.1mg/drop) Oral Liquid    Midazolam 5mg/mL Injection  (If an injection is required or preferred) | 10mL bottle      5 or 10 ampoules | Agitation associated with delirium  Anxiety associated with dyspnoea |
| **Antipsychotic** | Haloperidol 5mg/mL Injection | 10 ampoules | Agitation  Nausea, vomiting |
| **Anticholinergic** | Hyoscine butylbromide 20mg/mL Injection | 5 ampoules | Respiratory tract secretions  Noisy breathing |
| **Antiemetic** | Metoclopramide 10mg/2mL Injection | 10 ampoules | Nausea, vomiting |
| **Analgesic**  **(High potency opioid)** | Morphine (sulfate or hydrochloride) 10mg/mL and/or 30mg/mL Injection | 5 ampoules | Dyspnoea  Pain |

This core medicines list (CML) was established as part of the Palliative Care Access to Core Medicines project which North Western Melbourne Primary Health Network commissioned the Pharmaceutical Society of Australia to deliver. The main aim of this project is to increase access to medicines for people who wish to die at home or in an aged care setting.

The CML was established through consultation with local palliative care providers. When clinically appropriate, prescribers are encouraged to prescribe the suggested medicines in the CML to facilitate timely access.

To learn about this project, please visit [NWMPHN’s website](https://nwmphn.org.au/commissioned_act/palliative-care-access-to-core-medicines/).