



Naproxen Suppositories

Product	Manufacturer	DIN
Naproxen 500mg Supp	PMS	0217237

PMS-naproxen 500mg suppositories are no longer available. Although not officially discontinued, they have been inactivated and there are no plans to manufacture this product in the near future.¹

No other brands are available.^{2,3}

Naproxen suppositories are primarily used when NSAIDs cannot be taken or tolerated orally or when their local effects are desired, for example, in postpartum pain and postoperatively.^{4,5} They are also indicated for reducing incidence and severity of post-endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography pancreatitis (ERCP).⁶

Other NSAIDs available in rectal suppository form:^{2,3,7-9}

Strength	Manufacturers	Recommended Dosage	Comments
Indomethacin			
50 mg	SDZ	Max daily dose: 100mg-200mg	Increased incidence of adverse effects e.g. headache, drowsiness, dizziness - particularly in geriatrics ^{2,8}
100 mg	SDZ	100mg max/dose ²	
Diclofenac			
50 mg	PMS, SDZ, NVR (Voltaren®)	50-100mg OD	Risk of myocardial infarction and stroke may be higher than with naproxen. Most commonly associated with hepatic adverse drug reactions. ²
100 mg	PMS, SDZ, NVR (Voltaren®)	Max daily dose: 100mg	

*All preparations are on the Saskatchewan Drug Plan & Extended Benefits Branch⁸ and Non-Insured Health Benefits⁹ formularies.

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