Technology Guidance

# Intravenous infliximab biosimilars

## for treating inflammatory conditions

**Technology Guidance from the MOH Drug Advisory Committee**

## Guidance Recommendations

The Ministry of Health's Drug Advisory Committee has recommended to:

- ✓ Reclassify infliximab biosimilar (Remsima) 100 mg vial from the Medication Assistance Fund (MAF) to the MOH Standard Drug List (SDL); and
- ✓ List infliximab biosimilar (Ixifi) 100 mg vial on the SDL

in view of favourable cost effectiveness compared to other anti-tumour necrosis factor alfa (anti-TNFα) biologics at the prices proposed by the manufacturers.

### Subsidy status

SDL subsidy will apply for all registered indications of infliximab biosimilar 100 mg vial (Remsima and Ixifi) in Singapore:

- Adults with moderately to severely active rheumatoid arthritis, ankylosing spondylitis, psoriatic arthritis, plaque psoriasis, ulcerative colitis or Crohn's disease;
- Children aged 6 years or older with severe active Crohn's disease; and
- Children aged 6 years or older with moderately to severely active ulcerative colitis.

SDL subsidy **does not** apply to proprietary infliximab 100 mg vial (Remicade) or other brands of infliximab biosimilars.

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# VERSION HISTORY

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