

## **Haloperidol Information – May 2016**

Prescriptions for Haloperidol 50mg/1ml ampoules (depot injection for schizophrenia) have been generated in error, when it had been intended for Haloperidol 5mg/1ml solution ampoules (for nausea and vomiting) to be prescribed.

You may be aware there has been an ongoing manufacturing shortage of haloperidol 5mg/1ml ampoules for many months, and currently the practice clinical systems do not have the haloperidol 5mg/1ml ampoules listed (they have been greyed out as if the product has been discontinued rather than out of stock ).

This has been raised as an issue with SystmOne and they are going to reactivate the product in their May update (usually released mid-May), the issue has also been raised with EmisWeb, but currently we do not know when this will be resolved.

This is also being flagged as a risk to the (National) Patient Safety Team at NHS Improvement; with regards to chasing why the Haloperidol 5mg/ml strength had been removed from the GP prescribing systems when it hasn't been discontinued as a product