Private Consultation
Request for GP to prescribe on the NHS

- Non-formulary primary care type drug (BLACK - not routinely funded)
- Formulary primary care type drug (GREEN)
- Formulary primary care type drug (BLUE)
- Request for prescribing a drug of specialist nature
  Traffic light classification
  AMBER (shared care)
- Request for prescribing a drug of specialist nature
  Traffic light classification
  RED (specialist only) or BLACK (not routinely funded)

Decline Request
Offer suitable NHS alternative for the condition

Choose to accept request
Prescribe and monitor drug as NHS care

Inform specialist of responsibilities within NHS for transfer of care

Inform specialist of responsibilities within NHS for shared care

Decline request - prescribing must remain with specialist for safety reasons

Patient choice

Take NHS therapy

Go back to private provider for private script

Decline request to prescribe until patient has medication initiated, stabilized and, for shared care, followed up by specialist (as for NHS care)

Go back to private provider for private script

Referral to NHS specialist for treatment under NHS as deemed appropriate by NHS secondary care

Patient choice

NB: In all circumstances of appointment with a specialist (NHS or Private) if drug is required immediately (within 2 weeks) the specialist must supply a prescription. GP must not be asked to take responsibility for specialist medicine on basis of patient affordability.

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