

PRESS COMMUNIQUE

Ministry of Health and Wellness

Withdrawal of Pholcodine-Containing Medicines

The Pharmacy Board of Mauritius, upon the recommendations of the National Pharmacovigilance Committee of Mauritius, has decided to ban all importation and sale of **Pholcodine**-containing medicines on the territory of Mauritius due to the increased risk of sudden, severe, and life-threatening allergic reactions occurring during surgeries.

The Public is hereby informed that the Pharmacy Board has decided that all **Pholcodine**-containing medicines be withdrawn from the market with immediate effect.

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