

Malta, 26 April 2005 Circular No. P11/2005

Dear Healthcare Professional,

Re: Finalisation of Review of Serotonin-Selective Reuptake Inhibitors (SSRIs) and Serotonin-Norepinephrine Reuptake Inhibitors (SNRIs)

Following the completion of the review of SSRIs and SNRIs by the European Medicines Agency (EMEA) with regards to their use in children and adolescents, the Medicines Authority is of the opinion that the advice provided for the use of SSRIs and SNRIs in the attached <u>press release and Q</u> & A document issued by the EMEA is opportune and appropriate, and recommends prescribers not to use SSRIs and SNRIs in children and adolescents except in their approved indications, which are available in the Summary of Product Characteristics (SmPC) for each individual medicinal product belonging to these two classes of antidepressants.