Antifungal agents Patients must buy medications themselves

Dear Patient,

creams and suppositories are used to treat fungal infections in the vagina.

The preparations for a three-day course of treatment can be obtained at a pharmacist without prescription.

Under the Pharmaceuticals Regulation (Arzneimittel-Richtlinie) patients should buy non-prescription medications themselves if they are adequate for the medical treatment of the condition. Non-prescription medications for a three-day course of treatment are applied in double dosage. They contain overall the same quantity of active pharmaceutical agent as the prescription medication for six-day application. Your doctor is therefore obliged to recommend a non-prescription preparation or to issue a Green Prescription. You must pay for this medication yourself.

Please help your doctor implement this specification laid down by law.

Thank you for your cooperation. With best wishes, Kassenärztliche Vereinigung and Krankenkassen in Nordrhein



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