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Dear EML Secretariat

Migraine Foundation Aotearoa New Zealand is a New Zealand charity supporting the estimated 753,000 people living with migraine in New Zealand.

We have read with great interest the inclusion of the following new migraine treatments in the World Health Organization's Essential Medicines List:

- A.10 eletriptan naproxen– migraine
- A.13 fremanezumab – high frequency and chronic migraine
- I.2 amitriptyline – migraine prophylaxis
- I.3 bisoprolol – migraine prophylaxis
- I.7 Ibuprofen – acute migraine treatment
- I.10 Prednisolone, sumatriptan and verapamil – cluster headache

We write in support of including these options, because they address an essential need in the general population. Migraine and cluster headache are highly disabling chronic conditions that are underdiagnosed and under treated.

The addition of more effective medications for the management of these conditions is an essential step toward better care in many countries. Our organisation is committed to supporting this initiative and is available to provide any further information or assistance. We look forward to the positive impact this development will have on the global health landscape.

Sincerely



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