

Efavirenz 600 mg tablet

For the treatment of HIV-1 infection, the recommended dosage of efavirenz, in combination with nucleoside analogue reverse transcriptase inhibitors (NRTIs), is 600 mg per day, given orally, once daily, at bed-time. The 600 mg tablet formulation has the advantage of significantly reducing the pill burden from 3 to 1 tablet per day. Efavirenz 600 mg tablet is recommended by MSF and has been used since 2004. The use of this formulation of efavirenz make administration easier for patients and can improve their adherence to antiretroviral treatment.

MSF urges the 15th Expert Committee on the Selection and Use of Essential Medicines to include this new formulation of efavirenz 600 mg tablet in the core list.

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