

**ADVISORY NO - 13 : MEDICINES FOR VETERANS TRAVELLING ABROAD**

1. Prescribing medicines for long duration has been a subject matter of protracted debate at the Service HQ level. This has resulted in DGAFMS recently permitting issue of medicines for 60/90 days on a case to case basis provided that the treating doctor endorses that the “case does not require review for 60/90 days”.
2. We are aware that in exceptional cases drugs may be required for even longer duration, when ECHS beneficiaries have to move abroad where medicines are not available without a medical prescription valid in that country. Considering such exceptional cases, SEMOs/OICs ECHS Polyclinic may, subject to concerned specialists endorsement, issue prescribed medicines for longer duration.

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