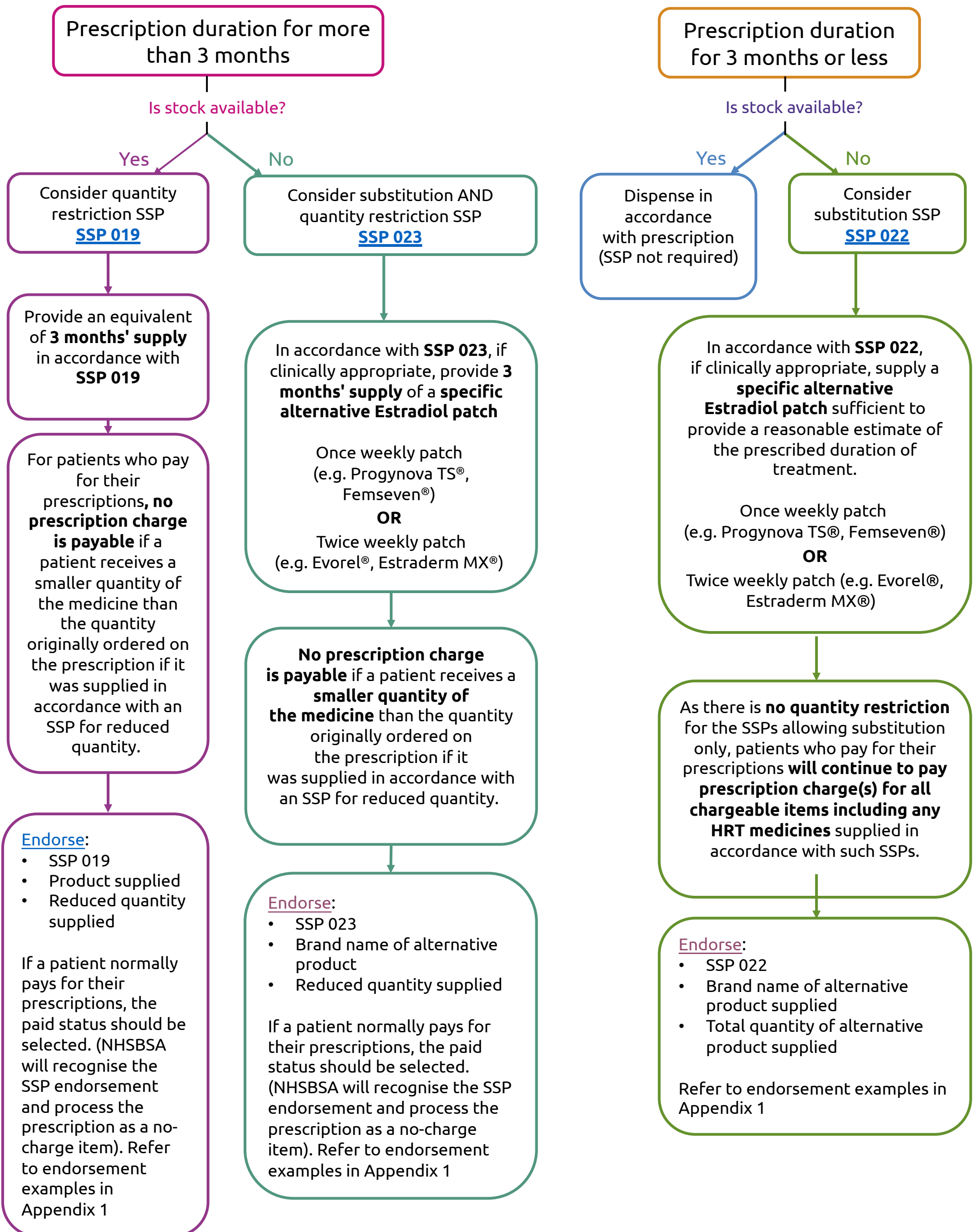


Prescription for Oestrogel® Pump-Pack 0.06% gel



Prescription duration for more than 3 months

Is stock available?

Yes

Consider quantity restriction SSP **SSP 019**

Provide an equivalent of **3 months' supply** in accordance with **SSP 019**

For patients who pay for their prescriptions, **no prescription charge is payable** if a patient receives a smaller quantity of the medicine than the quantity originally ordered on the prescription if it was supplied in accordance with an SSP for reduced quantity.

Endorse:

- SSP 019
- Product supplied
- Reduced quantity supplied

If a patient normally pays for their prescriptions, the paid status should be selected. (NHSBSA will recognise the SSP endorsement and process the prescription as a no-charge item). Refer to endorsement examples in Appendix 1

No

Consider substitution AND quantity restriction SSP **SSP 023**

In accordance with **SSP 023**, if clinically appropriate, provide **3 months' supply** of a **specific alternative Estradiol patch**

Once weekly patch (e.g. Progynova TS®, Femseven®)

OR

Twice weekly patch (e.g. Evorel®, Estraderm MX®)

No prescription charge is payable if a patient receives a **smaller quantity of the medicine** than the quantity originally ordered on the prescription if it was supplied in accordance with an SSP for reduced quantity.

Endorse:

- SSP 023
- Brand name of alternative product
- Reduced quantity supplied

If a patient normally pays for their prescriptions, the paid status should be selected. (NHSBSA will recognise the SSP endorsement and process the prescription as a no-charge item). Refer to endorsement examples in Appendix 1

Prescription duration for 3 months or less

Is stock available?

Yes

Dispense in accordance with prescription (SSP not required)

No

Consider substitution SSP **SSP 022**

In accordance with **SSP 022**, if clinically appropriate, supply a **specific alternative Estradiol patch** sufficient to provide a reasonable estimate of the prescribed duration of treatment.

Once weekly patch (e.g. Progynova TS®, Femseven®)
OR
Twice weekly patch (e.g. Evorel®, Estraderm MX®)

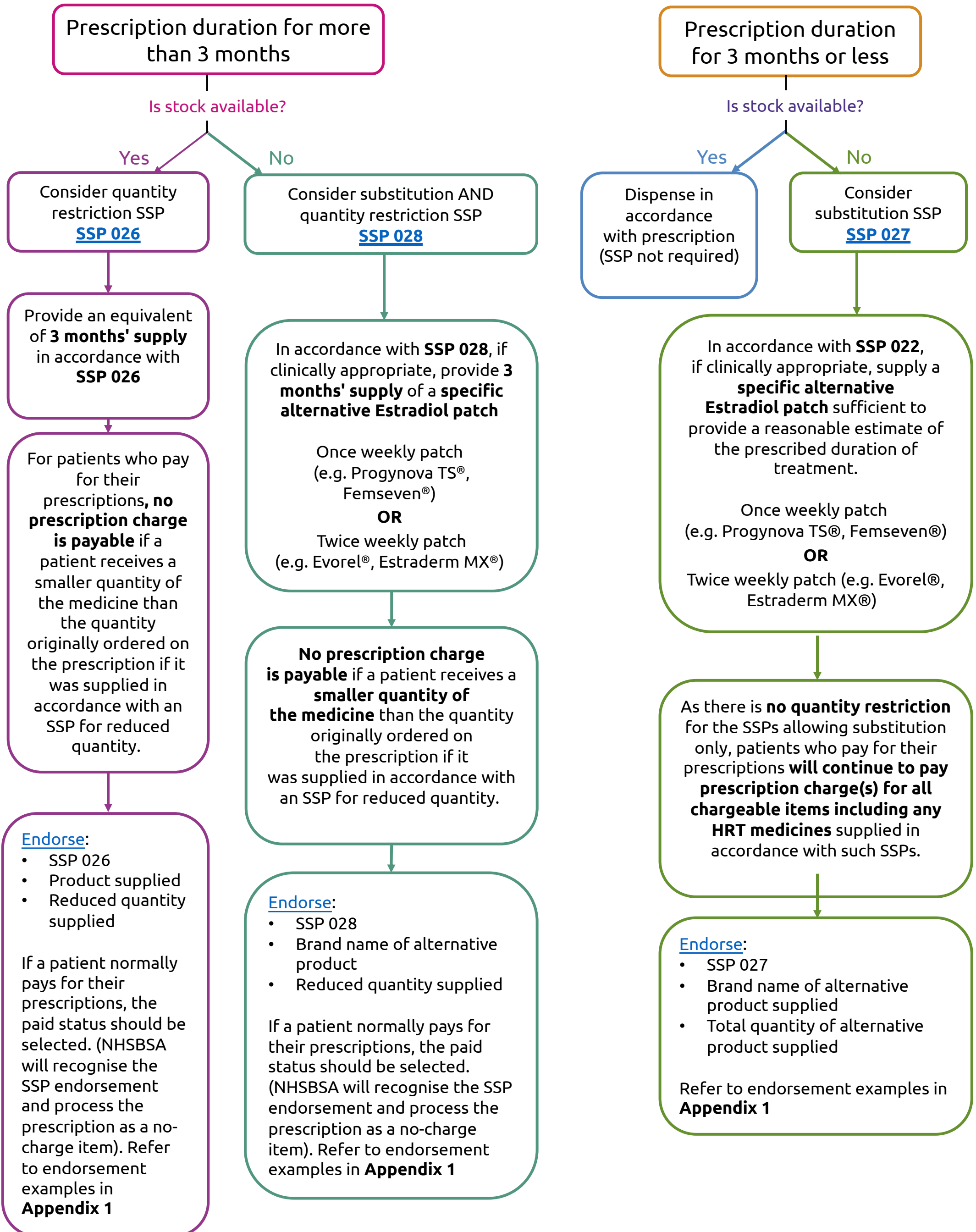
As there is **no quantity restriction** for the SSPs allowing substitution only, patients who pay for their prescriptions **will continue to pay prescription charge(s) for all chargeable items including any HRT medicines** supplied in accordance with such SSPs.

Endorse:

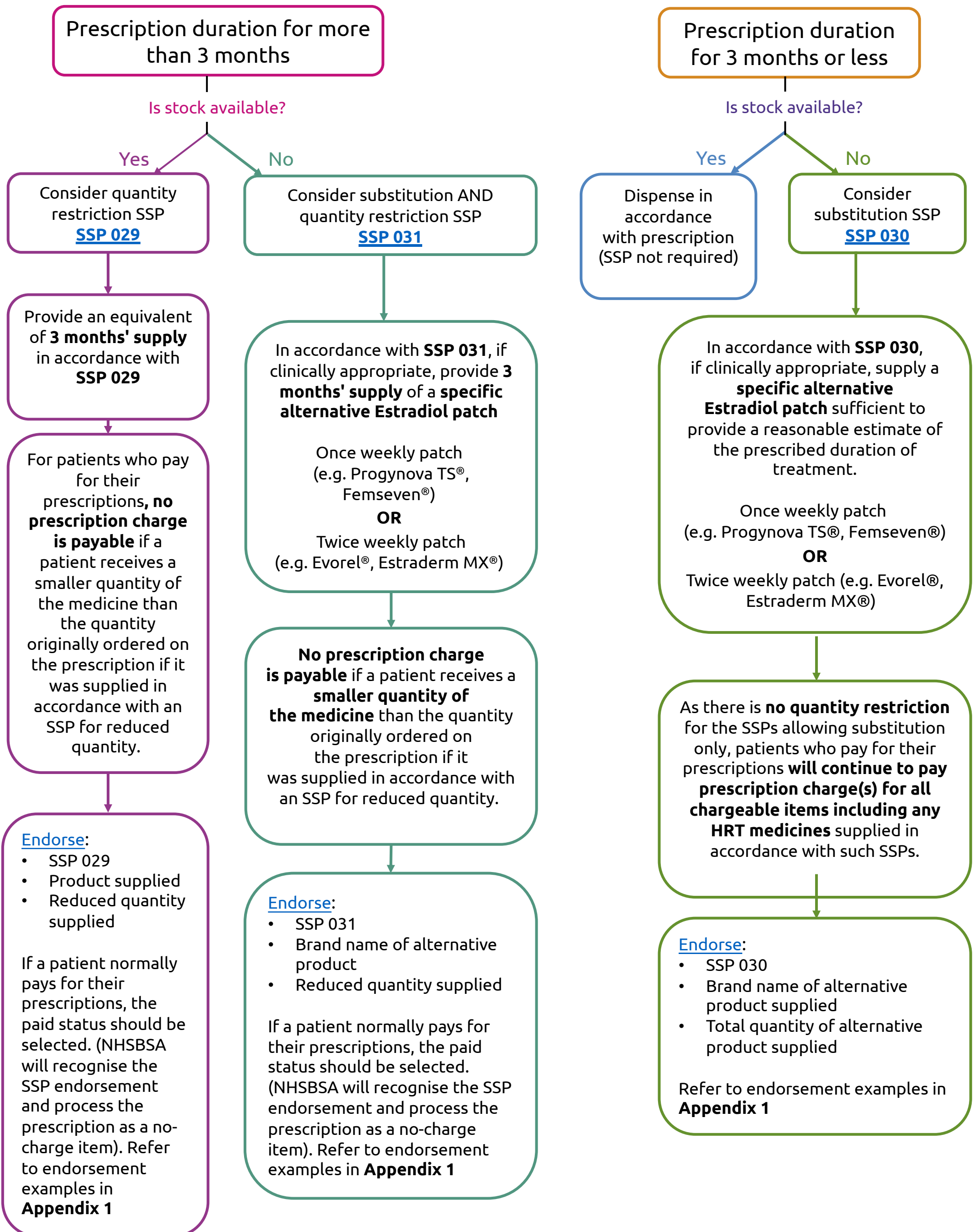
- SSP 022
- Brand name of alternative product supplied
- Total quantity of alternative product supplied

Refer to endorsement examples in Appendix 1

Prescription for Lenzetto® 1.53mg/dose transdermal spray



Prescription for Sandrena® 500microgram or 1mg gel sachets



Prescription duration for more than 3 months

Is stock available?

Yes

Consider quantity restriction SSP **SSP 029**

Provide an equivalent of **3 months' supply** in accordance with **SSP 029**

For patients who pay for their prescriptions, **no prescription charge is payable** if a patient receives a smaller quantity of the medicine than the quantity originally ordered on the prescription if it was supplied in accordance with an SSP for reduced quantity.

Endorse:

- SSP 029
- Product supplied
- Reduced quantity supplied

If a patient normally pays for their prescriptions, the paid status should be selected. (NHSBSA will recognise the SSP endorsement and process the prescription as a no-charge item). Refer to endorsement examples in **Appendix 1**

No

Consider substitution AND quantity restriction SSP **SSP 031**

In accordance with **SSP 031**, if clinically appropriate, provide **3 months' supply** of a **specific alternative Estradiol patch**

Once weekly patch (e.g. Progynova TS®, Femseven®)

OR

Twice weekly patch (e.g. Evorel®, Estraderm MX®)

No prescription charge is payable if a patient receives a **smaller quantity of the medicine** than the quantity originally ordered on the prescription if it was supplied in accordance with an SSP for reduced quantity.

Endorse:

- SSP 031
- Brand name of alternative product
- Reduced quantity supplied

If a patient normally pays for their prescriptions, the paid status should be selected. (NHSBSA will recognise the SSP endorsement and process the prescription as a no-charge item). Refer to endorsement examples in **Appendix 1**

Prescription duration for 3 months or less

Is stock available?

Yes

Dispense in accordance with prescription (SSP not required)

No

Consider substitution SSP **SSP 030**

In accordance with **SSP 030**, if clinically appropriate, supply a **specific alternative Estradiol patch** sufficient to provide a reasonable estimate of the prescribed duration of treatment.

Once weekly patch (e.g. Progynova TS®, Femseven®)
OR
Twice weekly patch (e.g. Evorel®, Estraderm MX®)

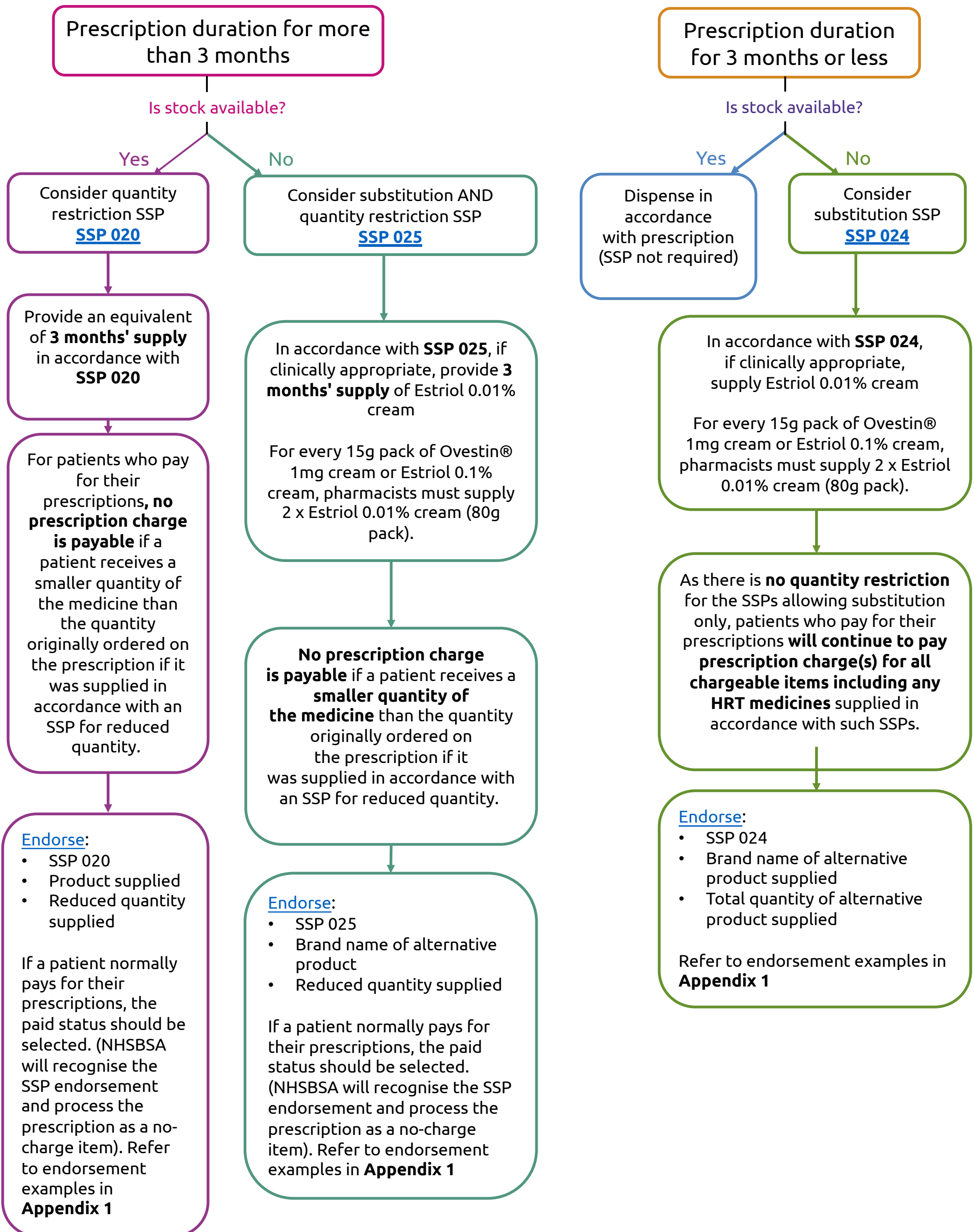
As there is **no quantity restriction** for the SSPs allowing substitution only, patients who pay for their prescriptions **will continue to pay prescription charge(s) for all chargeable items including any HRT medicines** supplied in accordance with such SSPs.

Endorse:

- SSP 030
- Brand name of alternative product supplied
- Total quantity of alternative product supplied

Refer to endorsement examples in **Appendix 1**

Prescription for Ovestin® 1mg cream



Prescription duration for more than 3 months

Is stock available?

Yes

Consider quantity restriction SSP **SSP 020**

Provide an equivalent of **3 months' supply** in accordance with **SSP 020**

For patients who pay for their prescriptions, **no prescription charge is payable** if a patient receives a smaller quantity of the medicine than the quantity originally ordered on the prescription if it was supplied in accordance with an SSP for reduced quantity.

Endorse:

- SSP 020
- Product supplied
- Reduced quantity supplied

If a patient normally pays for their prescriptions, the paid status should be selected. (NHSBSA will recognise the SSP endorsement and process the prescription as a no-charge item). Refer to endorsement examples in **Appendix 1**

No

Consider substitution AND quantity restriction SSP **SSP 025**

In accordance with **SSP 025**, if clinically appropriate, provide **3 months' supply** of Estriol 0.01% cream

For every 15g pack of Ovestin® 1mg cream or Estriol 0.1% cream, pharmacists must supply 2 x Estriol 0.01% cream (80g pack).

No prescription charge is payable if a patient receives a **smaller quantity of the medicine** than the quantity originally ordered on the prescription if it was supplied in accordance with an SSP for reduced quantity.

Endorse:

- SSP 025
- Brand name of alternative product
- Reduced quantity supplied

If a patient normally pays for their prescriptions, the paid status should be selected. (NHSBSA will recognise the SSP endorsement and process the prescription as a no-charge item). Refer to endorsement examples in **Appendix 1**

Prescription duration for 3 months or less

Is stock available?

Yes

Dispense in accordance with prescription (SSP not required)

No

Consider substitution SSP **SSP 024**

In accordance with **SSP 024**, if clinically appropriate, supply Estriol 0.01% cream

For every 15g pack of Ovestin® 1mg cream or Estriol 0.1% cream, pharmacists must supply 2 x Estriol 0.01% cream (80g pack).

As there is **no quantity restriction** for the SSPs allowing substitution only, patients who pay for their prescriptions **will continue to pay prescription charge(s) for all chargeable items including any HRT medicines** supplied in accordance with such SSPs.

Endorse:

- SSP 024
- Brand name of alternative product supplied
- Total quantity of alternative product supplied

Refer to endorsement examples in **Appendix 1**

Appendix 1 - HRT SSP endorsement examples

SSP type	Endorsement example		
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Note: Contractors should check with their PMR system supplier on the correct use of the SSP endorsement functionality available on their system as each system may follow a different approach to allow alternative product selection and application of SSP endorsements.

Reimbursement will be for the medicine supplied in accordance with an SSP, not the originally prescribed medicine. Where a specific alternative brand has been dispensed contractors must endorse the brand supplied to ensure correct reimbursement. Where a specific brand is supplied but its generic name is endorsed, reimbursement would be in accordance with the Part VIIIA list price which may result in underpayment.