



Preferred Prescription Drug List (PDL) Updates Effective January 1, 2024

Please Note: To better promote cost-effective utilization, certain medications will be replaced with effective but lower-cost alternatives. Also, effective January 1, 2024, this PDL will be standardized to maximize medication use management and efficiency. Going forward, this PDL will be referred to as the Select Prescription Drug List. Group-specific benefit exceptions may apply.

New Step Therapy Requirements

Members must try preferred alternatives before other drugs will be covered.

Drug Class	Drugs Requiring a Trial of Alternative(s)	Preferred Alternatives (Try First)
Antidepressants	Savella	amitriptyline, cyclobenzaprine, duloxetine, gabapentin, pregabalin IR
Antigout Agents	febuxostat	allopurinol
Antiseizure Agents	Briviact	lamotrigine IR, levetiracetam IR, levetiracetam ER, oxcarbazepine IR, topiramate IR
Dermatologic Agents	Klisyri	fluorouracil, imiquimod
Gastrointestinal Agents	lubiprostone	Linzess, Movantik, Symproic
	Linzess	lactulose, polyethylene glycol
	Motegrity	
	Trulance	
Glucose Elevating Agents	Gvoke Hypopen	Baqsimi, glucagon, Zegalogue
Inhaled Corticosteroids	Asmanex HFA	Arnuity Ellipta, Qvar Redihaler
Opioid Agonist	Suboxone	Buprenorphine/naloxone
Thyroid Agents	levothyroxine capsule	levothyroxine tablets

New Prior Authorization Requirements

Drug Class	Drugs Requiring Prior Authorization
Acne Agents	Adapalene gel 1%, Altreno, tazarotene
Androgens	testosterone, testosterone cypionate, testosterone pump

Antiemetic Agents	doxylamine succinate/pyridoxine hcl
Antifungal Agents	itraconazole, tavaborole
Antiseizure Agents	clobazam
Cancer Agents	capecitabine, Revlimid, Sprycel, temozolomide
Cardiovascular Agents	Corlanor
Hormones	leuprolide acetate
Inhaled Corticosteroids	budesonide/formoterol fumarate dihydrate
Migraine Agents	Trudhesa
Multiple Sclerosis Agents	dimethyl fumarate
Ophthalmic Agents	Restasis, cyclosporine emu, Xiidra

Tier Changes Affecting Member Copayment

Please Note: The following tables report the impact of PDL changes to the most utilized medications.

Medications Moving to a Higher Tier			
Advair Diskus	Armour Thyroid	Asmanex HFA	Atrovent HFA
Combipatch	Complera tab	Copaxone Inj 20mg/ml	Corlanor
Edarbi	Enstilar	Epidiolex	Estring
Fetzima	Flovent Diskus, Flovent HFA	Gralise	Livalo
Lo Loestrin FE	Lotemax SM	Mekinist tab	Nascobal
Nayzilam	Onexton	Pulmicort Flexhaler	Pylera cap
Qbrexza	Rhofade	Savella	Soolantra
Tafinlar cap 50mg, 75mg	Tivicay/PD	Trikafta	Trulance
Vemlidy	Verzenio	Vyvanse	Xifaxan

New Excluded Drugs with Covered Generic Equivalents

Acanya gel	Actoplus Met tab	Altace	Amitiza
Aricept	Aubagio	Betapace AF	Cardizem LA tab 120mg
D.H.E 45 Inj	DDAVP tab	Delizicol cap	Denavir cream
Differin gel 0.3%	Dilaudid tab	Exelon Dis	Exforge HCTZ
Feldene cap	Gilenya	Hetlioz cap 20mg	Imitrex spray
Jadenu granules	Migranal	MS Contin tab	Pentasa cap 500mg CR
Rozerem tab	Stalevo tab	Targretin gel 1%	Tazorac gel 0.05%
Vaseretic 10-25mg	Wellbutrin XL	Xyrem	

New Excluded Medications with Alternatives

Drug Class	Excluded Medications	Covered Alternative
Acne Agents	Aklief	adapalene cream/gel, adapalene/benzoyl peroxide, clindamycin gel/lotion/solution, clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide, erythromycin/benzoyl peroxide, tretinoin cream/gel, Amzeeq, Epiduo Forte, Onexton, Twyneo
	clindamycin phosphate gel 1%	clindamycin gel/lotion/solution
	dapsone gel	adapalene cream/gel, adapalene/benzoyl peroxide, clindamycin gel/lotion/solution, clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide, erythromycin/benzoyl peroxide, tretinoin cream/gel
	Winlevi	adapalene cream/gel, clindamycin gel/lotion/solution, tazarotene cream, tretinoin cream/gel
ADHD Agents	Concerta, Relexxii tab ER 45mg, 63mg methylphenidate tab ER (OSM) 45mg, 63mg	amphetamine-dextroamphetamine IR/ER, dexamethylphenidate IR/ER, dextroamphetamine SR/IR, methylphenidate IR/ER
Androgens	Jatenzo	testosterone, Androderm
Antidepressants	fluoxetine hcl tablets	fluoxetine capsules
	venlafaxine hcl er tablets	venlafaxine er capsules
Antidiabetic Agents	metformin hcl ER (generic Glumetza, generic Fortamet)	metformin hcl ER (generic Glucophage XR)
Anti-fungal Agents	Jublia	ciclopirox sol, terbinafine, tavaborole sol
Anti-infective Agents	Baxdela tab 450mg	levofloxacin, ciprofloxacin, moxifloxacin, ofloxacin
Antihistamines	desloratadine	loratadine tab, levocetirizine tab, cetirizine, fexofenadine
Antihypertensive Combinations	telmisartan/hydrochlorothiazide	telmisartan + hydrochlorothiazide, valsartan/hydrochlorothiazide, irbesartan/hydrochlorothiazide, losartan/hydrochlorothiazide, olmesartan/hydrochlorothiazide
Anti-infective Agents	doxycycline hyclate DR tablet	doxycycline hyclate capsule
	minocycline hcl tablet	minocycline IR capsule, doxycycline hyclate capsule
Cancer Agents	Imbruvica tab	Calquence, Imbruvica 140 MG cap
Cardiovascular Agents	Bystolic	atenolol, bisoprolol, metoprolol, carvedilol
	carvedilol ER capsule	carvedilol tablet
	clonidine hcl patch	clonidine tablet
	fenofibrate	fenofibrate (generic Tricor), fenofibric acid DR (generic Trilipix), gemfibrozil
	Roszet, generic ezetimibe-rosuvastatin tab	Ezetimibe, rosuvastatin

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Central Nervous System Agents	alprazolam ODT	alprazolam tablet
	rivastigmine dis	donepezil tab, galantamine, rivastigmine cap
Dermatological Agents	Sod sul/sulf emu 10-5%	Please talk to your doctor about other option(s).
	Urea cream 47%	Please talk to your doctor about other option(s).
Gastrointestinal Agents	mesalamine DR	balsalazide, mesalamine (generic Delzicol)
	sucralfate susp	sucralfate tablet 1gm
Hematological Agents	sajazir inj	icatibant injection
Migraine Agents	frovatriptan succinate	eletriptan, naratriptan, rizatriptan, sumatriptan, zolmitriptan
Muscle Relaxants	metaxalone	methocarbamol 500mg/700mg, orphenadrine ER, cyclobenzaprine tab (except 7.5mg), tizanidine tablet
Ophthalmic Agents	Combigan	brimonidine tartrate-timolol ophthalmic sol
	loteprednol etabonate 0.5%	prednisolone ophthalmic susp, fluorometholone ophthalmic susp
Prenatal Vitamins	Neonatal PLS	Prenatal tabs, Preplus tabs
	Wesnate DHA	
	Virt-nate DHA	
	Nestabs	
Proton Pump Inhibitors	dexlansoprazole	omeprazole, pantoprazole
Topical Anti-Infectives	mupirocin 2% cream	mupirocin ointment
Topical Antiviral Agents	acyclovir cream	valacyclovir, famciclovir

Excluded Drugs with Over-the-Counter Alternatives

The following drugs are now excluded but have OTC alternatives available for members to purchase out of pocket, over the counter.

Drug Class	Excluded Medications
Gastrointestinal Agents	cimetidine
	esomeprazole magnesium
	famotidine
	lansoprazole
	rabeprazole sodium
Intranasal Steroids	mometasone furoate
	Xhance