



Jan 1, 2021 Premium Formulary Exclusions & Preferred Specialty Prior Authorization Requirements

Therapeutic Category	Excluded Medications		Preferred Alternatives
ALLERGIC REACTIONS			
Anaphylaxis Treatment	Auvi-Q (0.15mg, 0.3mg)		epinephrine injection (0.15mg, 0.3mg)
ANALGESICS			
Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Agents	Oral	Cambia, Zipsor, Zorvolex	celecoxib, diflunisal, etodolac, flurbiprofen, ibuprofen, indomethacin, ketoprofen, ketorolac, meclofenamate, meloxicam, nabumetone, naproxen, oxaprozin, piroxicam, sulindac, tolmetin
		Qmiiz ODT	meloxicam
		Relafen DS	nabumetone
	Other	Sprix Nasal Spray	diclofenac, ibuprofen, meloxicam
	Topical	Flector	diclofenac patch
		Pennsaid	diclofenac solution
Pain	Opioid combinations	Apadaz, Benzyhydrocodone/acetaminophen	hydrocodone/acetaminophen, oxycodone/acetaminophen
	Oral Long-Acting Opioid Analgesics	Arymo ER, Kadian ER 200 mg, Nucynta ER, Oxycodone ER (M)	hydromorphone HCl ER, morphine sulfate ER, oxymorphone HCl ER, Embeda, Hysingla ER, OxyContin, Xtampza ER
		Conzip, Tramadol ER 100mg, 200mg, 300mg (M)	tramadol ER
	Oral Short-Acting Opioid Analgesics	Nucynta	codeine sulfate, hydromorphone HCl, morphine sulfate, oxycodone HCl, oxymorphone HCl

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ANALGESICS			
Pain	Transmucosal Fentanyl Analgesics	Abstral, Fentora, Fentanyl Citrate Buccal Tab (M), Lazanda, Subsys	fentanyl citrate lozenge
Skeletal Muscle Relaxant Combinations	Norgesic Forte, Orphengesic Forte (M)		orphenadrine tab, aspirin
	Ozobax		baclofen
ANTIBACTERIALS, ORAL			
Oral Antibiotics	Doryx MPC, Doxycycline Hyclate delayed release 80mg, Minolira		doxycycline, minocycline
ANTICONVULSANTS			
Seizure Disorders	Lamictal ODT Kit		lamotrigine ODT, lamotrigine XR
	Oxtellar XR ¹		oxcarbazepine IR
ANTIDEPRESSANTS			
Antidepressants	Bupropion XL (M), Forfivo XL		bupropion XL
ANTIFUNGALS, ORAL			
Oral Antifungals	Tolsura		itraconazole cap
ANTIHEMOPHILIACS			
Hemophilia A	Esperoct ¹		Adynovate, Afstyla, Eloctate, Jivi
ANTIMIGRAINES			
CGRP Antagonists	Ajovy		amitriptyline, atenolol, divalproex sodium, nadolol, propranolol, timolol, topiramate, venlafaxine, Aimovig, Emgality
	Reyvow		Nurtec ODT, Ubrelvy
Serotonin Receptor Agonists	Onzetta Xsail, Tosymra, Zembrace Symtouch		rizatriptan ODT, sumatriptan injection, sumatriptan nasal spray, zolmitriptan ODT
ANTIPARKINSON AGENTS			
Parkinson's Disease	Gocovri, Osmolex ER		amantadine
ANTIPSYCHOTICS			
Schizophrenia	Secuado ¹		ariPIPrazole, olanzapine, quetiapine, quetiapine ER, risperidone, Saphris
ANTIVIRALS			
Hepatitis-C drugs	Ledipasvir-Sofosbuvir (M), Sofosbuvir-Velpatasvir (M)		Epclusa, Harvoni, Mavyret, Vosevi

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ANTIVIRALS		
HIV drugs	Atripla ¹ , Descovy ¹ , Temixys ¹ , Truvada	Please talk with your doctor about clinically appropriate options.
AUTONOMIC & CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM		
Attention Deficit Disorder	Adhansia XR	Vyvanse
Interferon Beta Medications for Multiple Sclerosis	Extavia ¹ , Plegridy ¹ , Rebif ¹ , Rebif Rebidoze ¹	Avonex, Betaseron
CARDIOVASCULAR		
Cholesterol-Lowering Agents	Livalo, Zypitamag	atorvastatin, fluvastatin, lovastatin, pravastatin, rosuvastatin, simvastatin
Hypertension	Inderal XL , Innopran XL	propranolol ER
	Kapspargo	metoprolol ER
	Katerzia	amlodipine
Hypertension with Osteoarthritis	Consensi	amlodipine/celecoxib
CHEMOTHERAPY AGENTS		
Alkylating Agents	Belrapzo, Bendamustine, Treanda	Please talk to your doctor about clinically appropriate options.
Antiandrogens	Erleada ¹ , Yonsa ¹ , Zytiga 500mg ¹	
HER-2 inhibitors	Herzuma	
Methyltransferase Inhibitors	Tazverik ¹	
Monoclonal Antibodies	Ogivri, Truxima	
CONTRACEPTIVES		
Oral	Lo Loestrin	junel FE, Iarin FE, microgestin FE, tarina FE
	Slynd	Camila, Incassia, Nora-Be, norethindrone, Norlyda, Norlyroc
Vaginal ring	Annovera	etonogestrel-ethynodiol vaginal ring
CORTICOSTEROIDS		
Oral Steroids	Rayos	prednisone

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DERMATOLOGICAL AGENTS		
Topical Acne Treatment	Adapalene lotion (M), Differin lotion	adapalene, Retin-A micro gel 0.06% and 0.08%
	Aklier, Aktipak, Clindagel, Clindamycin phosphate 1% gel(M), Dapsone 7.5%, Veltin	adapalene, adapalene/benzoyl peroxide, clindamycin gel/lotion/solution, clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide, erythromycin/benzoyl peroxide, tretinoin cream, Aczone 7.5%, Amzeeq, Epiduo Forte, Onexton
	Avita	tretinoin cream/gel
Topical anesthetics	ZTlido	lidocaine patch
Topical Antifungals	Jublia	terbinafine, Kerydin
Topical Antiinfectives	Noritate cream	metronidazole cream/gel/lotion, Finacea, Soolantra
Topical Corticosteroids	ALA Scalp lotion, Micort-HC cream	hydrocortisone
	Apexicon E cream	fluocinonide, betamethasone
	Capex shampoo	Derma-Smoothe/FS, flucinolone acetonide scalp oil
	Cordran tape	flurandrenolide
	Pandel cream	flurandrenolide, hydrocortisone valerate, triamcinolone acetonide
	Halobetasol foam(M), Lexette	betamethasone, clobetasol, halobetasol cream/ointment
	Halog ointment	betamethasone, mometasone, triamcinolone
	Impoyz cream	clobetasol
	Psorcon cream, Verdeso foam	betamethasone, fluocinolone
	Trianex oint 0.05%	hydrocortisone valerate, triamcinolone acetonide
Topical Immune Response Modifier	Imiquimod cream pump 3.75% (M), Zyclara, Zyclara Pump	imiquimod 5% cream
Topical Plaque Psoriasis	Calcipotriene Foam 0.005% (M), Sorilux	calcipotriene
	Duobrii Lotion	clobetasol, fluocinonide, halobetasol, tazarotene, Enstilar

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DIABETES		
Blood Glucose Meters, Test Strips and Control Solutions	Examples: Abbott (FreeStyle, Precision), Arkray(Glucocard), Lifescan (Onetouch), Trividia, (TRUEtest, TRUEtrack), Roche (Accu-Chek)	Ascencia (Contour, Contour Next)
Continuous Glucose Monitoring (CGM)	Freestyle Libre	Dexcom
Blood Sugar Regulators Miscellaneous	metformin HCl 24hr ER osmotic release, metformin HCl 24hr ER modified release	metformin ER
Dipeptidyl Peptidase-4 (DPP4) Inhibitors & Combinations	Alogliptin(M), Alogliptin with metformin(M), Alogliptin with pioglitazone(M), Kazano, Kombiglyze XR, Nesina, Onglyza, Oseni	Janumet, Janumet XR, Januvia, Jentadueto, Jentadueto XR, Tradjenta
Basal insulins	Basaglar, Levemir, Tresiba	Lantus, Toujeo
Glucagon-Like Peptide-1(GLP1) Agonists	Adlyxin	Bydureon, Bydureon BCise, Byetta, Ozempic, Rybelsus, Trulicity, Victoza
Insulins	Novolin	Humulin
Rapid-acting insulins	Admelog, Apidra, Fiasp, Insulin Aspart (M), Insulin Lispro (M), Novolog	Humalog
Sodium-glucose co-transporter (SGLT2) Inhibitors - Single agent	Invokana, Steglatro	Farxiga, Jardiance
Sodium-glucose co-transporter (SGLT2) inhibitors - Combination agents	Invokamet, Invokamet XR, Segluromet	Synjardy, Synjardy XR, Trijardy XR, Xigduo XR
SGLT2 and DPP4 Combinations	QTERN, Steglujan	Glyxambi
ENDOCRINE (OTHER)		
Growth Hormones	Genotropin, Humatrop, Omnitrope, Saizen, Zomacton	Norditropin, Nutropin
Infertility	Gonal-F, Gonal-F RFF	Follistim AQ
	Cetrotide	ganirelix (made by Organon/Merck)
Nocturia	Noctiva	desmopressin, Nocdurna
Testosterone Replacement	Aveed, Jatenzo, Natesto, Testopel	testosterone, Androderm, Xyosted
ENZYME DISORDERS		
Duchenne Muscular dystrophy (DMD)	Exondys 51, Vyondys 53	dexamethasone, methylprednisolone, prednisone
GASTROINTESTINAL		
Anti-Diarrheal Agents	Motofen	diphenoxylate/atropine, loperamide

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GASTROINTESTINAL		
Antiemetics	Sancuso patch	granisetron solution/tablet, ondansetron ODT
Anti-Inflammatory, Anti-Ulcer Agents	Duexis	famotidine with ibuprofen
Irritable Bowel Syndrome with Constipation/Chronic Idiopathic Constipation (IBS-C/CIC)	Amitiza, Trulance	Linzess
Opioid-Induced Constipation (OIC)	Amitiza, Movantik, Relistor	Sympoic
Inflammatory Bowel Disease	Dipentum	balsalazide, mesalamine, Apriso
Laxatives	Golytely packets	Gavilyte-C, Gavilyte-H, PEG 3350
	Moviprep, Osmoprep, Plenvu	Clenpiq, Gavilyte, PEG 3350, Prepopik, Suprep
Pancreatic Enzymes	Pancreaze, Pertzye, Viokace	Creon, Zenpep
Proton pump inhibitors	omeppi, omeprazole with sodium bicarbonate (cap, powder pak), Rabeprazole sprinkle cap (M)	esomeprazole magnesium delayed release, lansoprazole, omeprazole, pantoprazole, Aciphex Sprinkle caps, Dexilant
HEMATOLOGICAL		
Erythropoiesis-Stimulating Agents	Epogen, Procrit	Aranesp, Retacrit
Immune globulin, intravenous (IVIG)	Asceniv ¹ , Panzyga ¹	Please talk to your doctor about clinically appropriate options.
Immune globulin, subcutaneous (SCIG)	Cutaquig ¹	Please talk to your doctor about clinically appropriate options.
Long-Acting Granulocyte-Colony Stimulating Factor (G-CSFs)	Fulphila, Udenyca	Neulasta, Zixtenzo
Short-Acting Granulocyte-Colony Stimulating Factor (G-CSFs)	Granix, Neupogen	Nivestym, Zarxio
IMMUNOMODULATORS		
Interleukin-17 (IL-17) Inhibitor	Cosentyx ¹	Taltz
JAK Inhibitor	Olumiant ¹	Rinvoq, Xeljanz, Xeljanz XR
TNF inhibitor	Remicade	Inflectra, Renflexis

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IMMUNOTHERAPY		
Oral	Palforzia	Please talk to your doctor about clinically appropriate options.
OPHTHALMIC		
Antiglaucoma Drugs	Vyzulta, Zioptan	latanoprost ophthalmic solution, travoprost ophthalmic solution, Lumigan
	Timoptic Ocudose	timolol ophthalmic solution
Antihistamines	Pazeo, Zerviate	azelastine ophthalmic solution, olopatadine ophthalmic solution
Dry Eye Disease	Cequa	Restasis, Xiidra
Non-steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Agents	Bromsite, Ilevro, Nevanac	bromfenac ophthalmic solution, diclofenac ophthalmic solution, flurbiprofen sodium ophthalmic solution, ketorolac tromethamine ophthalmic solution, Prolensa
Wet Age-related Macular Degeneration	Beovu	ophthalmic bevacizumab (compound), Eylea, Lucentis, Macugen
OTHER		
Antigout Agents	Colchicine capsule, Colcris, Glocerba, Mitigare	colchicine tablet
Antihistamines and combinations	Clarinex-D	desloratadine with pseudoephedrine
Corticosteroid nasal sprays	Xhance	mometasone furoate, Beconase AQ
Lambert-Eaton Myasthenic Syndrome (LEMS)	Firdapse	Ruzurgi
Obesity	Contrave	Qsymia, Saxenda
Opioid Reversal Agents	Naloxone (M), Evzio	Narcan
Osteoarthritis/Hyaluronic acid injections	Gel-One, Genvisc, Hyalgan, Hymovis, Monovisc, Orthovisc, Sodium Hyaluronate, Supartz FX, Synvisc, Synvisc-One, Triluron, Trivisc, Visco-3	Durolane, Euflexxa, Gelsyn-3
Platelet-Modifying Agent	Aspirin/Omeprazole (M), Yosprala	aspirin with omeprazole
Prenatal vitamins	Examples: Azesco, Pregenna, Prenate, Trinaz, Vitafol FE, Vitathely, Zalvit	Any preferred prenatal vitamin

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OTHER		
Sickle Cell Anemia	Oxbryta	hydroxyurea
Thyroid Agents	Tirosint caps, solution	levothyroxine
RESPIRATORY		
COPD: Inhaled Anticholinergics	Incruse Ellipta, Seebri, Tudorza	Spiriva
COPD: Long-Acting Beta Agonist/Long-Acting Muscarinic Agonist Combination inhalers	Bevespi, Duaklir, Utibron	Anoro Ellipta, Stiolto Respimat
Cystic Fibrosis (inhaled tobramycin)	Kitabis Pak, Tobramycin Neb(M)	tobramycin nebulizer soln, Bethkis, TOBI podhaler
Pulmonary Anti-Inflammatory Inhalers	Alvesco, Asmanex, Asmanex HFA, QVAR Redihaler	Arnuity Ellipta, Flovent Diskus, Flovent HFA, Pulmicort Flexhaler
Pulmonary Anti-Inflammatory, Long-Acting Beta Agonist Combination Inhalers	AirDuo, Airduo Digihaler, Armonair, Budesonide/Formoterol (M), Dulera	fluticasone/salmeterol inhaler, Advair Diskus, Advair HFA, Breo Ellipta, Symbicort
Short-Acting Beta-2 Adrenergic Inhalers	Albuterol HFA (ABA for Ventolin HFA) (M), Levalbuterol Inhaler(M), Proair Digihaler, ProAir HFA, ProAir Respiclick, Proventil HFA, Ventolin HFA, Xopenex HFA	albuterol HFA inhaler
UROLOGICAL		
Erectile Dysfunction Oral Agents	Stendra	sildenafil

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Excluded brand-name medications with generic equivalents

The brand-name medications below are excluded on the formulary. These brand-name medications have been identified as having available generic equivalents covered at Tier 1 on the formulary. Speak with your pharmacist to have your excluded brand-name medication substituted with its generic equivalent.

A generic medication contains the same active ingredient(s) as a brand-name medication. An active ingredient is what makes the medication work. For example, Lipitor® and its generic both contain atorvastatin, which reduces the amount of bad cholesterol in the blood. Brand-name medications are often protected by a patent. When the patent ends, drug companies can apply to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to begin making generic versions of the medication.

Abilify	Cozaar	Keptra	Plavix	Timoptic-XE
Acanya	Crestor	Kepra XR	Pravachol	TOBI nebulizer solution
Aciphex tablet	Cymbalta	Klonopin	Pred Forte	Tobradex suspension
Acticlate	Cytomel	K-tab	Prevacid	Topamax
Aczone 5%	Delestrogen injection 20mg/ml, 40mg/ml	Lamictal chewable	Prinivil	Topamax sprinkle cap
Adcirca	Depakote	Lamictal starter kit	Pristiq	Topicort spray
Adderall	Depakote ER	Lamictal ODT	Prometrium	Toprol XL
Adderall XR	Depakote sprinkle cap	Lamictal tab	Propecia	Tracleer 62.5,125mg
Adipex-P	Depo-testosterone injection	Lamictal XR	Protonix tab	Treximet
Afinitor 2.5,5,7.5mg	Depo-x	Lasix	Provigil	Tribenzor
Alphagan P 0.15%	Dilantin cap 100mg	Latisse	Prozac	Tricor
Altace	Dilantin chewable	Lescol XL	Pulmicort inhalation suspension	Trileptal
Ambien	Dilantin suspension	Letairis	Qudexy XR	Tylenol/cod tab
Ambien CR	Dilauidid	Levitra	Qestran	Uceris tab
Amrix	Diovan	Lexapro	Ranexa	Ultracet
Androgel	Diovan HCT	Lialda	Relpax	Utram
Arimidex	Doryx tab	Lidoderm	Remodulin injection	Vagifem
Arthrotec	Duac	Lipitor	Renagel	Valium
Asacol HD	Duragesic	Loestrin 21	Restoril	Valtrex
Atacand	Dyazide	Loestrin FE	Retin-A	Vanadom
Ativan	Effexor XR	Lotemax suspension	Retin-A micro gel 0.04%, 0.1%	Vectal
Avapro	Elidel	Lotrel	Risperdal solution, tablet	Vesicare
Avodart	Epiduo gel	Maxalt	Ritalin	Viagra
Azor	Exforge	Maxalt-MLT	Ritalin LA	Vigamox
Baraclude	Exforge HCT	Metrogel	Roxicodone	Vimovo
Benicar	Evekeo	Micardis	Sabril	Vivelle-Dot
Benicar HCT	Focalin	Micardis HCT	Safyral	Volgelxo
Benzaclin	EpiPen Jr 0.15mg	Minastrin	Sandostatin injection	Voltaren gel
Benzamycin	Estrace	Mobic	Seasonique	Vytorin
Beyaz	Exforge	MS Contin	Sensipar	Welchol
Bridelle	Exforge HCT	Nalfon	Seroquel	Wellbutrin SR
Butrans	Fioricet	Nasonex	Seroquel XR	Wellbutrin XL
Canasa	Fioricet w/ codeine	Natroba	Silvadene	Xalatan
Carafate	Flomax	Neurontin	Singulair	Xanax
Carbatrol	Focalin XR	Nexium capsule	Skelaxin	Xanax XR
Cardizem LA	Fortamet	Niaspan ER	Solodyn	Yasmin 28
180,240,300, 360, 420mg	Fortesta	Nitrostat	Soma	Yaz
Carnitor solution, tablet	Generess FE chewable	Norco	Staxyn	Zanaflex
Catapres-TTS patch	Gleevec	Norvasc	Strattera	Zegerid
Celebrex	Glumetza	Nulytely	Suboxone	Zestril
Celexa	Golytely solution	Nuvigil	Synthroid	Zetia
Cialis	Halog cream	Onfi	Taclonex ointment	Ziana
Clarinex 5mg tab	Hyzaar	Oracea	Tamiflu	Zocor
Climara patch	Imitrex	Ortho Micron	Targadox	Zohydro ER
Clobex	Inderal LA	Ortho-Tri-Cyclen Lo	Targretin	Zoloft
Cloderm	Intuniv	Ortho-Novum	Tazorac cream 0.1%	Zomig tab
Colestid	Kadian	Pataday	Tegretol	Zomig ZMT
Concerta	10,20,30,40,50,60, 80,100mg	Patanol	Tegretol-XR	Zonegran
Coreg	Kenalog spray	Paxil	Tenormin	Zovirax
Coreg CR	Kenalog-40	Paxil CR	Testim gel	Zyprexa
Cortef	Injection	Percocet	Tikosyn	Zytiqa 250mg
Cosopt solution		Plaquenil	Timoptic	
Cosopt PF solution				

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Hepatitis C	All other brands non-preferred with prior authorization	Epclusa, Harvoni, Mavyret, Vosevi
Multiple Sclerosis	All other brands non-preferred with prior authorization	Avonex, Bafiertam, Betaseron, Copaxone/Glatopa/glatiramer, Tecfidera, Vumerity
Immunomodulators	All other brands non-preferred with prior authorization	Cimzia, Humira, Inflectra, Otezla, Renflexis, Rinvoq, Simponi, Simponi Aria, Skyrizi, Stelara, Tremfya, Xeljanz, Xeljanz XR

⁺ All of the products listed above are currently subject to prior authorization. Preferred medications are required prior to new requests for non-preferred medication(s). Existing utilizers of non-preferred medication(s) within the therapeutic categories of Hepatitis C, Immunomodulators and Multiple Sclerosis will be eligible to remain on current therapy if compliance and efficacy of therapy are demonstrated. Exceptions will be granted for specific indications where the preferred agents do not have FDA-approval for use.

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