



Updates to your prescription benefits

Effective July 1, 2015

Within the Prescription Drug List (PDL), medications are grouped by tier. The tier indicates the amount you pay when you fill a prescription. Please reference this chart as you review the following updates. Most options listed are available in Tier 1, your lowest cost option.



If your medication is listed below, you may continue taking it, but you may pay a higher cost. We encourage you to discuss the listed lower-cost option(s) that may also treat your condition with your doctor. Most options listed are available in Tier 1, your lowest-cost tier, and may have a clinical program in place.

Medications moving to a lower-tier

The following medications are moving to a lower-tier, making them more affordable.

Therapeutic Use	Medication Name	Tier Placement
Diabetes	Bydureon	3 ▶ 2
	Victoza 2-pak	3 ▶ 2
Elevated Phosphorus Levels	Velphoro	3 ▶ 2
Pain	Nucynta ER	4 ▶ 3
Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension	Opsumit	3 ▶ 2

Medications with New Benefit Coverage

The following medications were previously not covered under most benefit plans and are now eligible for coverage.

Therapeutic Use	Medication Name	Tier Placement
COPD	Incruse Ellipta	2
	Spiriva Respimat	4
Diabetes	Trulicity	4
Fungal Infections	Kerydin	4
Hemophilia	Eloctate	4
Rheumatoid Arthritis (or other indications)	Rasuvo	4

Medications moving to a higher tier

Medications may move from a lower tier to a higher tier when they are more costly and have available lower-cost options.

Therapeutic Use	Medication Name	Tier Placement	Lower-Cost Options
Blood Clots	Coumadin	2 ▶ 3	warfarin (generic Coumadin)
Cancer	Targetin gel	2 ▶ 3	Valchlor
COPD	Spiriva HandiHaler	2 ▶ 4	Incruse Ellipta, Tudorza Pressair
Depression	Brintellix	3 ▶ 4	bupropion extended-release (generic Wellbutrin XL), citalopram (generic Celexa), duloxetine (generic Cymbalta), escitalopram (generic Lexapro), fluoxetine (generic Prozac), fluvoxamine (generic Luvox), paroxetine (generic Paxil), sertraline (generic Zoloft), venlafaxine extended-release capsule (generic Effexor XR)
	Fetzima	3 ▶ 4	
Erectile Dysfunction	Stendra	3 ▶ 4	N/A
Fungal Infections	Jublia	3 ▶ 4	itraconazole (generic Sporanox), terbinafine (generic Lamisil)
Heart Failure	Lanoxin 0.125 mg and 0.25 mg	2 ▶ 3	digoxin (generic Lanoxin)
Heart Rhythm	Multaq	2 ▶ 4	amiodarone (generic Cordarone, Pacerone)
Hepatitis C	Olysio	2 ▶ 4	Harvoni
Pain	hydromorphone extended-release (generic Exalgo)	3 ▶ 4	fentanyl transdermal patch (generic Duragesic), morphine sulfate extended-release (generic MS Contin), Nucynta ER, Opana ER
	Oxycontin	2 ▶ 4	
	oxymorphone extended-release (generic Opana ER)	3 ▶ 4	
Seizures	Dilantin	2 ▶ 3	phenytoin (generic Dilantin)
	Tegretol	2 ▶ 3	carbamazepine (generic Tegretol)
Sleep-Wake Disorder	Hetlioz	3 ▶ 4	OTC melatonin

Medications excluded from benefit coverage*

We evaluate medications based on their total value, including how a medication works and how much it costs. When several medications work in the same way, we may choose to exclude the higher-cost option. The medications listed below will no longer be covered under many of our pharmacy benefit plans.

Therapeutic Use	Medication Name	Lower-Cost Options
Acne	Avar	sulfacetamide sodium/sulfur
	Avar LS	
	Plexion	
	Riax	tretinoin (generic Retin-A), OTC benzoyl peroxide
Birthmark (hemangioma)	Hemangeol	propranolol tablet (generic Inderal), propranolol oral solution (generic Inderal)

Cough & Cold	Vituz	chlorpheniramine/hydrocodone/pseudoephedrine (generic Zutripro), guaifenesin/codeine solution (generic Cheratussin), hydrocodone/chlorpheniramine (generic Tussionex)
Fungal Infections	Ecoza foam	OTC Lamisil AT, OTC Lotrimin, OTC Lotrimin AF, econazole (generic Spectazole), ketoconazole (generic Nizoral), terbinafine (generic Lamisil)
Growth Hormone	Saizen	Nutropin, Nutropin AQ, Nutropin AQ NuSpin
	Tev-Tropin	
Headaches	Prodrin (Brand Only)	isometheptene/caffeine/acetaminophen 65/20/325 mg (generic Prodrin)
High Blood Pressure	Diovan (Brand Only)	losartan (generic Cozaar), valsartan (generic Diovan), Benicar
Infections	Minocin (Brand only)	minocycline capsule (generic Dynacin, Minocin)
Mental Health	Versacloz	clozapine (generic Clozaril), clozapine orally disintegrating tablet (generic Fazaclo)
Narcotic Overdose	Evzio	naloxone (generic Narcan)
Pain	Celebrex (Brand Only)	celecoxib (generic Celebrex), diclofenac (generic Voltaren), ibuprofen (generic Motrin), meloxicam (generic Mobic), naproxen (generic Naprosyn)
	Exalgo (Brand Only)	fentanyl trans dermal patch (generic Duragesic), morphine sulfate extended-release (generic MS Contin), Nucynta ER, Opana ER
	Pennsaid 2% solution	Voltaren Gel
Rheumatoid Arthritis	Otrexup	methotrexate tablets, Rasuvo
Seizures	Qudexy XR (topiramate extended-release products by Upsher-Smith)	topiramate immediate-release (generic Topamax)
Severe Allergic Reactions	Adrenaclick (brand and generic)	EpiPen, EpiPen Jr.
Skin Conditions	Keralac	urea 40% cream
	Ovace Plus	sulfacetamide sodium
	Protopic (Brand Only)	tacrolimus ointment (generic Protopic)
	Vytone	iodoquinol/hydrocortisone 1% cream, Dermazene cream
Testosterone Replacement	Vogelxo (testosterone products by Upsher-Smith)	Androderm, Testim
Viral Infection	Sitavig	acyclovir capsule/tablet (generic Zovirax), famciclovir tablet (generic Famvir), valacyclovir (generic Valtrex), OTC Abreva
Warts	UltraSal-ER	OTC salicylic acid
	Virasal	
Wilson's Disease	Cuprimine	Depen



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*For New Jersey fully insured members this program is referred to as First Start.