

North Carolina Division of Medical Assistance

North Carolina Medicaid and Health Choice

Preferred Drug List (PDL)

Effective January 1, 2017

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ALZHEIMER'S AGENTS

Preferred

donepezil 5mg, 10mg tablets / ODT (generic for Aricept® / ODT)
Exelon® Patch
memantine tablet / titration pack (generic for Namenda®)
Namenda® Solution
rivastigmine capsules (generic for Exelon®)

Non-Preferred

Aricept® ODT / Tablets
donepezil 23mg tablets (generic for Aricept®)
Exelon® Capsule
galantamine ER capsule / solution / tablet (generic for Razadyne® / ER)
memantine solution (oral) (generic for Namenda® Solution)
Namenda® Titration Pack / XR Capsule / XR Titration Pack
Namenda® Tablet
Namzaric™ Solution (Oral)
rivastigmine (Transderm) (generic for Exelon® Patch)
Razadyne® ER Capsule / Tablet

ANALGESICS

NARCOTIC ANALGESICS

Long Acting

Clinical criteria apply

Preferred

Butrans® Patch
Embeda® ER Capsule
fentanyl patch 12mcg / 25mcg / 50mcg / 75mcg / 100mcg (generic for Duragesic®)
Kadian® Capsule
morphine sulfate ER tablet (generic for MS Contin®)
OxyContin® Tablet

Non-Preferred

Avinza® Capsule
Duragesic® Patch
Exalgo® Tablet
fentanyl patch (37.5 / 62.5 / 87.5mcg dosages)
hydromorphone ER tablet (generic for Exalgo®)
Hysingla® ER Tablet
morphine sulfate ER capsule (generic for Avinza®, Kadian®)
MS Contin® Tablet
Nucynta® ER Tablet
Opana® ER Tablet
oxycodone ER tablet (generic for OxyContin®)
oxymorphone ER tablet (generic for **old formulation** of Opana® ER)
Xartemis® XR Tablet
Zohydro® Capsule

Orally Disintegrating / Oral Spray Schedule II Narcotics

Clinical criteria apply

Preferred

Fentora® Buccal Tablet

Non-Preferred

fentanyl citrate lozenge (generic for Actiq®)
Abstral® SL Tablet
Actiq® Lozenge
Belbuca (Buccal)
Subsys® Spray

ANALGESICS

NARCOTIC ANALGESICS (Continued)

Short Acting Schedule II Narcotics

Clinical criteria apply

Preferred

Endocet® Tablet (branded generic for Percocet®)
hydrocodone-acetaminophen solution / tablet (generic for Hycet®, Lorcet®, Lortab®, Norco®, Vicodin®)
hydrocodone-ibuprofen tablet (generic for Ibudone®, Repraxin®, Vicoprofen®)
hydromorphone tablet (generic for Dilaudid® Tablet)
morphine solution / tablet (generic for MSIR®)
oxycodone concentrated solution (generic for Roxicodone® Intensol)
oxycodone solution / tablet (generic for Roxicodone®)
oxycodone-acetaminophen capsules (generic for Tylox®)
oxycodone-acetaminophen tablets (generic for Percocet®)
Xylon® (branded generic for Repraxin®)

Non-Preferred

codeine sulfate solution / tablet
Demerol® Tablet
Dilaudid® Liquid / Tablet
Endodan® Tablet (branded generic for Percodan®)
Hycet® Solution
hydromorphone solution / suppository (generic for Dilaudid®)
Ibudone® Tablet
Lazanda® Nasal Spray
levorphanol tablet (generic for Levo-Dromoran®)
Lorcet® Tablet / HD Tablet / Plus Tablet
Lortab® Tablet
meperidine solution / tablet (generic for Demerol®)
Meperitab® tablet (branded generic for Demerol®)
morphine suppositories (generic for Roxanol®)

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Norco® Tablet
 Nucynta® Tablet
 Opana® Tablet
 Oxecta® Tablet
 oxycodone-aspirin tablet (generic for Endodan®, Percodan®)
 oxycodone-ibuprofen tablet (generic for Combunox®)
 oxymorphone tablet (generic for Opana®)
 oxycodone capsule (generic for OxyIR®)
 Percocet® Tablet
 Percodan® Tablet
 Primlev® Tablet
 Reprexain® Tablet
 Roxicet® Solution
 Roxicodone® Tablet
 Vicodin® Tablet / ES Tablet / HP Tablet
 Vicoprofen® Tablet
 Xodol® Tablet
 Zamicet® Solution

ANALGESICS

NARCOTIC ANALGESICS (Continued)

Short Acting Schedule III – IV Analgesic Combinations

Preferred

codeine-acetaminophen solution / tablet (generic for Tylenol with Codeine®)
 tramadol tablet (generic for Ultram®)
 tramadol-acetaminophen tablet (generic for Ultracet®)

Non-Preferred

Ascomp® Capsule (branded generic for Fiorinal with Codeine®)
 butalbital compound with codeine capsule (generic for Fiorinal with Codeine®)
 butalbital-caffeine-APAP with codeine tablet (generic for Fioricet with Codeine®)
 butorphanol spray (generic for Stadol®)
 Capital® with Codeine Suspension
 carisoprodol compound with codeine tablet (generic for Soma® Compound with Codeine)
 Conzip® Capsule
 dihydrocodeine-acetaminophen-caffeine tablet (generic for Panlor SS®)
 dihydrocodeine-aspirin-caffeine capsule (generic for Synalgos-DC®)
 Fioricet® with Codeine Capsule
 Fiorinal® with Codeine Capsule
 pentazocine-naloxone tablet (generic for Talwin NX®)
 Synalgos-DC® Capsule
 tramadol ER tablet (generic for Ultram ER®, Ryzolt®)
 Tylenol® with Codeine Tablet
 Ultracet® Tablet
 Ultram® Tablet / ER Tablet

ANALGESICS

NSAIDS

Preferred

ibuprofen suspension / tablet (generic for Motrin®)
 indomethacin capsule (generic for Indocin®)
 ketorolac tablet (generic for Toradol®)
 meloxicam tablet (generic for Mobic Tablet®)
 naproxen EC tablet (generic for Naprosyn® EC)
 naproxen tablet (generic for Naprosyn® Tablet)
 sulindac tablet (generic for Clinoril®)

Non-Preferred

Anaprox® Tablet / DS Tablet
 Arthrotec® Tablet
 DayPro® Caplet
 diclofenac potassium tablet (generic for Cataflam®)
 diclofenac sodium tablet / ER tablet (generic for Voltaren® / XR)
 diclofenac sodium-misoprostol tablet (generic for Arthrotec®)
 diflunisal tablet (generic for Dolobid®)
 EC-Naprosyn® Tablet
 etodolac capsule / tablet / ER tablet (generic for Lodine® / XL)
 Feldene® Capsule
 fenoprofen tablet (generic for Nalfon®)
 flurbiprofen tablet (generic for Ansaid®)
 Indocin® Suppository / Suspension
 indomethacin ER capsule (generic for Indocin SR®)
 ketoprofen capsule (generic for Orudis®)
 ketoprofen ER capsule (generic for Oruvail®)
 meclofenamate capsule (generic for Meclomen®)
 mefenamic acid capsule (generic for Ponstel®)

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<p>Preferred</p> <p>Clinical criteria apply to Brand and Generic</p> <p>Celebrex® Capsule</p>	<p>Mobic® Tablet nabumetone tablet (generic for Relafen®) Nalfon® Capsule Naprelan® Tablet Naprosyn® Tablet Naprosyn® EC naproxen CR naproxen sodium ER tablet (generic for Naprelan®) naproxen sodium tablet (generic for Anaprox®) naproxen suspension (generic for Naprosyn® Suspension) oxaprozin tablet (generic for DayPro®) piroxicam capsule (generic for Feldene®) Ponstel® Kapseals Sprix® Nasal Spray Tivorbex® capsule tolmetin capsule / tablet (generic for Tolectin®) Vivlodex™ Voltaren® XR Tablet Zipsor® Capsule Zorvolex® Capsule</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Exemption for Children Under 12</p> <p>meloxicam suspension (generic for Mobic® Oral Suspension) Mobic® Suspension</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Non-Preferred</p> <p>celecoxib capsule (generic for Celebrex®) Duexis® Tablet Vimovo® Tablet</p>
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ANTICONVULSANTS

CARBAMAZEPINE DERIVATIVES

<p style="text-align: center;">Preferred</p> <p>Aptiom® Tablet carbamazepine chewable (generic for Tegretol®) carbamazepine ER capsule (generic for Carbatrol®) Carbatrol® Capsule Equetro® Capsule oxcarbazepine tablet (generic for Trileptal®) Oxtellar® XR Tablet Tegretol® Suspension / Tablet / XR Tablet Trileptal® Suspension</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Non-Preferred</p> <p>carbamazepine suspension / tablet (generic for Tegretol®) carbamazepine XR tablet (generic for Tegretol XR®) Epitol® Tablet oxcarbazepine suspension- (generic for Trileptal®) Trileptal® Tablet (oral)</p>
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FIRST GENERATION

<p style="text-align: center;">Preferred</p> <p>Celontin® Kapseal Depakene® Capsule / Solution Depakote® Tablet Dilantin® Capsule / Infatab / Suspension divalproex capsule/ sprinkle / ER tablet / tablet(generic for Depakote® / ER) ethosuximide capsule / solution (generic for Zarontin®) felbamate suspension / tablet (generic for Felbatol®) Mysoline® Tablet Peganone® Tablet phenobarbital Phenytek® Capsule phenytoin chewable / capsules / infatab / suspension (generic for Dilantin®) phenytoin extended capsules (generic for Phenytek®) Primidone® Tablet valproic acid capsule / solution (generic for Depakene®)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Non-Preferred</p> <p>Depakote® ER Tablet / Sprinkle Capsule Felbatol® Suspension / Tablet Valproate Syrup (oral)</p>
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Zarontin® Capsule / Solution

ANTICONVULSANTS

SECOND GENERATION

Patients with seizure disorder are exempt and may use any second generation product.

Preferred

clonazepam tablet (generic for Klonopin®)
 Diastat® Accudial / Pedi System
 gabapentin capsule / solution (generic for Neurontin®)
 Gabitril® Tablet
 lamotrigine chewable / starter kits / tablet (generic for Lamictal®)
 levetiracetam tablet / ER tablet / solution (generic for Keppra® / XR)
 Topiragen® Tablet (branded generic for Topamax®)
 topiramate sprinkle capsule / tablet (generic for Topamax®)
 zonisamide capsule (generic for Zonegran®)

Non-Preferred

Banzel® Suspension / Tablet
 clonazepam ODT (generic for Klonopin® Wafer)
 diazepam rectal / system (generic for Diastat® Accudial / Pedi System)
 Fycompa® Tablet / Kit
 gabapentin tablet (generic for Neurontin® Tablet)
 Gralise® Starter Pack / Tablet
 Keppra® Tablet / Solution / XR Tablet
 Klonopin® Tablet
 Lamictal® Chewable / ODT / Starter Kit / Tablet / XR / XR Starter Kit / Tablet
 lamotrigine ER tablet / ODT (generic for Lamictal® XR / ODT)
 Lyrica® Capsule / Solution
 Neurontin® Capsule / Solution / Tablet
 Onfi® Suspension / Tablet
 Potiga® Tablet
 Qudexy® XR Capsule
 Sabril® Powder Packet / Tablet
 tiagabine tablet (generic for Gabitril®)
 Topamax® Sprinkle Capsule / Tablet
 topiramate ER capsule (generic for Qudexy®)
 Trokendi® XR Capsule
 Vimpat® Solution / Starter Kit / Tablet
 Zonegran® Capsule

ANTI-INFECTIVES-SYSTEMIC

ANTIBIOTICS

Cephalosporins and Related

Preferred

amoxicillin capsule / chewable / suspension / tablet (generic for Amoxil®, Trimox®)
 amoxicillin-clavulanate chewable / suspension / tablet / XR tablet (generic for Augmentin® /XR)
 Cedax® Capsule / Suspension
 cefadroxil capsule / suspension / tablet (generic for Duricef®)
 cefdinir capsule / suspension (generic for Omnicef®)
 cefpodoxime suspension / tablet (generic for Vantin®)
 cefprozil suspension / tablet (generic for Cefzil®)
 Ceftin® Suspension / Tablet
 cefuroxime tablet (generic for Ceftin®)
 cephalexin capsule / suspension / tablet (generic for Keflex®)
 Suprax® Capsule / Chewable / Suspension / Tablet

Non-Preferred

Augmentin® Suspension / Tablet / XR Tablet
 cefaclor capsule / suspension / ER tablet (generic for Ceclor® / CD)
 cefixime suspension
 ceftibuten capsule / suspension (generic for Cedax®)
 Keflex® Capsule

Lincosamides and Oxazolidinones

Preferred

Cleocin® Granules
 clindamycin capsules / solution (generic for Cleocin®)
 Linezolid Tablet (generic for Zyvox®)
 Zyvox® Suspension

Non-Preferred

Cleocin® Capsules / Injection
 clindamycin injection (generic for Cleocin® Injection)
 Lincocin® Vial
 lincomycin injection (generic for Lincocin Vial®)
 linezolid IV solution / suspension (generic for Zyvox®)
 Sivextro® Tablet / Vial
 Synercid® Vial
 Zyvox® IV Solution
 Zyvox® Tablet

ANTI-INFECTIVES-SYSTEMIC

ANTIBIOTICS (Continued)

Macrolides and Ketolides

(generic for Zyvox®)

azithromycin powder packet / suspension / tablet (generic for Zithromax®)

Non-Preferred

Biaxin® Suspension / Tablet

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clarithromycin suspension / tablet (generic for Biaxin®) E.E.S.® Granules / Filmtab Eryped® Suspension Erythrocin® Filmtab erythromycin EC capsule (generic for Ery-C®) erythromycin filmtab erythromycin es tablet (E.E.S® Filmtab)	clarithromycin ER tablet (generic for Biaxin XL®) Ery-Tab® Tablet Ketek® Tablet PCE® Tablet Zithromax® Powder Packet / Suspension / Tablet / Tri-Pak / Z-Pak Zmax® Suspension
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Nitromidazoles

Preferred	Non-Preferred
metronidazole tablet (generic for Flagyl® Tablet) Vancocin® Capsule	Alinia® Suspension / Tablet Difcid® Tablet Flagyl® Capsule / ER Tablet/ Tablet metronidazole capsule (generic for Flagyl® Capsule) neomycin tablet (generic for Mycifradin®) paromomycin capsule (generic for Humatin®) Tindamax® Tablet tinidazole tablet (generic for Tindamax®) vancomycin capsule (generic for Vancocin®) Exemption for Diagnosis of Hepatic Encephalopathy Xifaxan® Tablet

Quinolones

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Avelox® Tablet Cipro® Suspension ciprofloxacin tablets (generic for Cipro®) levofloxacin tablet (generic for Levaquin® Tablet)	Avelox® ABC Pack Cipro® Tablet / XR Tablet ciprofloxacin ER tablet / suspension (generic for Cipro® XR / Suspension) Levaquin® Solution / Tablet levofloxacin solution (generic for Levaquin® Solution) moxifloxacin tablet (generic for Avelox®) ofloxacin tablet (generic for Floxin®)

ANTI-INFECTIVES-SYSTEMIC

ANTIBIOTICS (Continued)

Tetracycline Derivatives

Preferred	Non-Preferred
doxycycline hyclate capsule / tablet (generic for Vibramycin®, Vibra-Tab®) doxycycline monohydrate 50mg, 100mg capsule (generic for Monodox®) minocycline capsule (generic for Minocin®)	Clinical justification required and failure of doxycycline and minocycline. Solodyn ER® limited to 12 week supply. Adoxa® Capsule demeclocycline tablet (generic for Declomycin®) Doryx® DR Tablet doxycycline hyclate DR tablet (generic for Doryx DR®) doxycycline monohydrate 75mg, 150mg capsule (generic for Monodox®, Adoxa®) doxycycline monohydrate tablets (generic for Adoxa®) minocycline ER tablet (generic for Solodyn® ER) minocycline tablet (generic for Dynacin®) Morgidox® Capsule / Kit Oracea® Capsule Solodyn® ER Tablet tetracycline capsule (generic for Sumycin®) Vibramycin® Capsules Exemption for doxycycline liquid in patients < 12 years old doxycycline suspension (generic for Vibramycin Suspension®) Vibramycin® Suspension / Syrup

Antifungals

Preferred	Non-Preferred
clotrimazole troche (generic for Mycelex Troche®) fluconazole suspension / tablet (generic for Diflucan®) griseofulvin suspension (generic for Grifulvin V®)	Ancobon® Capsule Cresemba® Capsule Diflucan® Suspension / Tablet

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griseofulvin ultra tablets (generic for Gris-Peg®) Grifulvin V® Tablet nystatin suspension (generic for Nilstat® Suspension) nystatin tablet (generic for Mycostatin®) terbinafine tablet (generic for Lamisil®)	flucytosine capsule (generic for Ancobon®) griseofulvin micro tablets (generic for Grifulvin V®) Gris-Peg® Tablet itraconazole capsule (generic for Sporanox®) ketoconazole tablet (generic for Nizoral®) Lamisil® Granules Packet / Tablet Noxafil® Suspension / Tablet Onmel® Tablet Oravig® Buccal Tablet Sporanox® Capsule / Solution Vfend® Suspension / Tablet voriconazole suspension / tablet (generic for Vfend®)
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ANTIVIRALS

Hepatitis B Agents

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Baraclude® Solution / Suspension / Tablet Epivir® HBV Solution / Tablet Hepsera® Tablet Tyzeka® Tablet Viread® Powder / Tablet	adefovir tablet (generic for Hepsera®) entecavir tablet (generic for Baraclude®) lamivudine HBV tablet (generic for Epivir® HBV)

ANTI-INFECTIVES-SYSTEMIC

ANTIVIRALS (Continued)

Hepatitis C Agents

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Copegus® Tablet Moderiba® Dosepack (branded generic for Ribasphere® Ribapak) Moderiba® Tablet (branded generic for Copegus®) Pegasys® Proclick / Syringe ribavirin capsule / tablet (generic for Copegus®, Rebetol®)	Pegasys® Vial Ribasphere® Ribapak Ribasphere® Capsule / Tablet (branded generic for Rebatrol)
Clinical criteria apply	
Harvoni® Tablet Epclusa® Tablet (for genotype 2 and 3) Technivie® Dose Pack (for genotype 4) Viekira® Pak Viekira® XR Tablet Zepatier® Tablet	Daklinza® Tablet (for genotype 3) (must request Sovaldi® in addition to Daklinza® with a separate PA) Epclusa® Tablet (for genotype 1,4,5 and 6) Olysio® Capsule Sovaldi® Tablet

Herpes Treatments

Preferred	Non-Preferred
acyclovir capsule / tablet (generic for Zovirax®) famciclovir tablet (generic for Famvir®) valacyclovir tablet (generic for Valtrex®) Zovirax® Suspension	acyclovir suspension (generic for Zovirax®) Famvir® Tablet Sitavig® Buccal Tablet Valtrex® Caplet Zovirax® Capsule / Tablet

Influenza

Preferred	Non-Preferred
amantadine capsule / solution (generic for Symmetrel®) rimantadine tablet (generic for Flumadine®) Tamiflu® Capsule / Suspension	amantadine tablet (generic for Symmetrel®) Relenza® Diskhaler

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

ANTIDEPRESSANTS

Other

Preferred	Non-Preferred
bupropion tablet / SR tablet / XL tablet (generic for Wellbutrin® / SR / XL) duloxetine capsule (generic for Cymbalta®) maprotiline tablet (generic for Ludiomil®)	Aplenzin® Tablet Trintellix® Tablet Cymbalta® Capsule

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mirtazapine ODT / tablet (generic for Remeron®) Nardil® Tablet Parnate® Tablet phenelzine tablet (generic for Nardil®) tranylcypromine tablet (generic for Parnate®) trazodone tablet (generic for Desyrel®) venlafaxine tablet / ER capsules (generic for Effexor®, Effexor® XR)	desvenlafaxine ER tablet (generic for Khedezla®) Effexor® XR Capsules Emsam® Patch Fetzima® Capsule / Titration Pak Forfivo® XL Tablet Khedezla® nefazodone tablet (generic for Serzone®) Oleptro® ER Tablet Pristiq® ER Tablet Remeron® Solutab / Tablet Savella® Tablet / Titration Pack venlafaxine ER tablets (generic for Effexor® ER) Viibryd® Starter Pack / Tablet Wellbutrin® Tablet / SR Tablet / XR Tablet
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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

ANTIDEPRESSANTS (Continued)

Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitor (SSRI)

Preferred	Non-Preferred
citalopram solution / tablet (generic for Celexa®) escitalopram tablet (generic for Lexapro® Tablet) fluoxetine capsule / solution (generic for Prozac®) fluvoxamine tablet (generic for Luvox®) paroxetine tablet (generic for Paxil®) sertraline concentrated solution / tablet (generic for Zoloft®)	Brisdell® Capsule Celexa® Tablet escitalopram solution (generic for Lexapro® Solution) fluoxetine DR capsules (generic for Prozac® Weekly) fluoxetine tablet (generic for Prozac®) fluvoxamine ER capsule (generic for Luvox CR®) Lexapro® Solution / Tablet paroxetine CR tablet (generic for Paxil CR®) Paxil® Suspension / Tablet / CR Tablet Pexeva® Tablet Prozac® Pulvule / Weekly Capsule Sarafem® Tablet Zoloft® Solution / Tablet

ANTIHYPERKINESIS/ ADHD

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Adderall® XR Capsule amphetamine salt combo tablets (generic for Adderall®) clonidine ER tablet (Kapvay®) Daytrana® Patch Desoxyn® Tablet dextroamphetamine ER capsule (generic for Dexedrine® Spansules) dextroamphetamine tablet (generic for Dexedrine®) Focalin® Tablet / XR Capsule guanfacine ER tablet (generic for Intuniv®) Kapvay® Tablet Metadate® CD Capsule / ER Tablet Methylin® Solution methylphenidate ER tablets - Actavis (generic for Concerta®) methylphenidate ER tablets - Kreamer Urban (NOT EQUIVALENT to Concerta®) methylphenidate ER tablets - Mallinckrodt (NOT EQUIVALENT to Concerta®) methylphenidate ER tablets (generic for Metadate® ER, Ritalin® SR) methylphenidate tablets (generic for Methylin®, Ritalin®) Quillivant® XR Suspension Ritalin® LA Capsule / Tablet Strattera® Capsule Vyvanse® Capsule	Adderall® Tablet <GENERIC PRODUCT PER FDA> amphetamine salt combo XR capsules (generic for Adderall XR) Aptensio® XR Concerta® Tablet Dexedrine® Tablet / Spansules dexamethylphenidate tablet / ER capsules (generic for Focalin® / XR) dextroamphetamine solution (generic for ProCentra®) Dyanavel® XR Evekeo® Tablet Intuniv® Tablet methamphetamine tablet (generic for Desoxyn®) Methylin® Chewable methylphenidate CD capsules (generic for Metadate® CD) methylphenidate chewable / solution (generic for Methylin®) methylphenidate LA capsules (generic for Ritalin® LA) ProCentra® Solution Quillchew® ER Oral Zenzedi® Tablet

ATYPICAL ANTIPSYCHOTICS

Injectable Long Acting

Trial and Failure of only 1 preferred required

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Abilify Maintena® Syringe / Vial	Aristada® Syringe

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fluphenazine decanoate vial (generic for Prolixin decanoate®)
 Haldol® decanoate Ampule
 haloperidol decanoate ampule / vial (generic for Haldol decanoate®)
 Invega® Sustenna Prefilled Syringe / Trinza Syringe
 Risperdal® Consta Syringe
 Zyprexa® Relprevv Vial Kit

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

ATYPICAL ANTIPSYCHOTICS

Oral

Trial and Failure of only 1 preferred required

Preferred

Abilify® Discmelt
 aripiprazole Tablet / Solution (generic for Abilify®)
 clozapine ODT (generic for FazaClo®)
 clozapine tablet (generic for Clozaril®)
 Fanapt® Tablet
 Invega® Tablet
 Latuda® Tablet
 olanzapine ODT / tablet (generic for Zyprexa®)
 quetiapine tablet (generic for Seroquel®)
 risperidone ODT / solution/tablet (generic for Risperdal®)
 Saphris® SL Tablet
 Seroquel® XR Tablet
 Symbyax® Capsule
 ziprasidone capsule (generic for Geodon®)

Non-Preferred

Abilify® Tablet
 aripiprazole ODT (generic for Abilify®)
 Clozaril® Tablet
 Fanapt® Titration Pack
 FazaClo® ODT
 Geodon® Capsule
 olanzapine-fluoxetine (generic for Symbyax®)
 paliperidone (generic for Invega® Tablet)
 Risperdal® Solution / Tablet / M-Tab ODT
 Rexulti® Tablet
 Seroquel® Tablet / XR Sample Kit
 Versacloz® Suspension
 Zyprexa® Tablet / Zydys Tablet

CARDIOVASCULAR

ACE INHIBITORS

Preferred

benazepril tablet (generic for Lotensin®)
 enalapril tablet (generic for Vasotec®)
 lisinopril tablet (generic for Prinivil® and Zestril®)
 ramipril capsule (generic for Altace®)

Non-Preferred

Exemption applies to children < 12 years old for Epaned® Solution

Accupril® Tablet
 Altace® Capsule
 captopril tablet (generic for Capoten®)
 Epaned® Solution
 fosinopril tablet (generic for Monopril®)
 Lotensin® Tablet
 Mavik® Tablet
 moexipril tablet (generic for Univasc®)
 perindopril tablet (generic for Aceon®)
 Prinivil® Tablet
 quinapril tablet (generic for Accupril®)
 trandolapril tablet (generic for Mavik®)
 Univasc® Tablet
 Vasotec® Tablet
 Zestril® Tablet

ACE INHIBITOR CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKER COMBINATIONS

Preferred

amlodipine-benazepril capsule (generic for Lotrel®)

Non-Preferred

Lotrel® Capsule
 Tarka® ER Tablet
 trandolapril-verapamil ER tablet (generic for Tarka®)

ACE INHIBITOR DIURETIC COMBINATIONS

Preferred

benazepril-HCTZ tablet (generic for Lotensin® HCT)
 enalapril-HCTZ tablet (generic for Vaseretic®)
 lisinopril-HCTZ tablet (generic for Prinzide®, Zestoretic®)

Non-Preferred

Accuretic® Tablet
 captopril-HCTZ tablet (generic for Capozide®)
 fosinopril-HCTZ tablet (generic for Monopril® HCT)
 Lotensin® HCT Tablet
 moexipril-HCTZ tablet (generic for Uniretic®)
 quinapril-HCTZ tablet (generic for Accuretic®, Quinaretic®)
 Vaseretic® Tablet

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Zestoretic® Tablet

CARDIOVASCULAR

ANGIOTENSIN II RECEPTOR BLOCKERS

Requires trial and failure of ACE Inhibitor unless contraindicated or adverse event, even when using a preferred product

Preferred

Non-Preferred

Diovan® Tablet
 losartan tablet (generic for Cozaar®)

Atacand® Tablet
 Avapro® Tablet
 Benicar® Tablet
 candesartan tablet (generic for Atacand®)
 Cozaar® Tablet
 Edarbi® Tablet
 eprosartan tablet (generic for Teveten®)
 irbesartan tablet (generic for Avapro®)
 Micardis® Tablet
 telmisartan tablet (generic for Micardis®)
 valsartan tablet (generic for Diovan®)

ANGIOTENSIN II RECEPTOR BLOCKER COMBINATIONS

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Preferred

Non-Preferred

Exforge® Tablet
 Exforge® HCT Tablet

amlodipine-valsartan tablet (generic for Exforge®)
 amlodipine-valsartan-HCTZ tablet (generic for Exforge® HCT)
 Azor® Tablet
 Prestalia®
 telmisartan-amlodipine tablet (generic for Twynsta®)
 Tribenzor® Tablet
 Twynsta® Tablet

ANGIOTENSIN II RECEPTOR BLOCKER DIURETIC COMBINATIONS

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Preferred

Non-Preferred

losartan-HCTZ tablet (generic for Hyzaar®)
 valsartan-HCTZ tablet (generic for Diovan® HCT)

Atacand® HCT Tablet
 Avalide® Tablet
 Benicar® HCT Tablet
 candesartan-HCTZ tablet (generic for Atacand® HCT)
 Diovan® HCT Tablet
 Edarbyclor® Tablet
 Hyzaar® Tablet
 irbesartan-HCTZ tablet (generic for Avalide®)
 Micardis® HCT Tablet
 telmisartan-HCTZ tablet (generic for Micardis® HCT)
 Teveten® HCT Tablet

ANGIOTENSIN II RECEPTOR-NEPRILYSIN BLOCKER COMBINATIONS

Preferred

Non-Preferred

Entresto® **Clinical Criteria Apply**

ANTI-ARRHYTHMICS

Preferred

Non-Preferred

amiodarone tablet (generic for Cordarone®)
 disopyramide capsule (generic for Norpace®)
 flecainide tablet (generic for Tambocor®)
 mexiletine capsule (generic for Mexitil®)
 propafenone tablet (generic for Rythmol®)
 quinidine sulfate tablet / ER tablet (generic for Quinidex® Extentabs / Tablet)
 Rythmol SR® Capsule

Cordarone® Tablet
 Multaq® Tablet
 Norpace® Capsule / CR Capsule
 Pacerone® Tablet
 propafenone SR capsule (generic for Rythmol SR®)
 quinidine gluconate tablet (generic for Quinaglute DuraTabs®)
 Rythmol® Tablet
 Tikosyn® Capsule

CARDIOVASCULAR

BETA BLOCKERS

Preferred

Non-Preferred

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atenolol tablet (generic for Tenormin®) carvedilol tablet (generic for Coreg®) labetalol tablet (generic for Trandate®) metoprolol succinate XL tablet (generic for Toprol XL®) metoprolol tartrate tablet (generic for Lopressor®) propranolol solution / tablet / ER capsule (generic for Inderal®) Sorine® Tablet sotalol AF tablet / tablet (generic for Betapace® / AF, Sorine®)	acebutolol capsule (generic for Sectral®) Betapace® AF Tablet / Tablet betaxolol tablet (generic for Kerlone®) bisoprolol tablet (generic for Zebeta®) Bystolic® Tablet Coreg® Tablet / CR Capsule Corgard® Tablet Hemangeol® Solution Inderal® LA Capsule / XL Capsule Innopran® XL Capsule Levatol® Tablet Lopressor® Tablet nadolol tablet (generic for Corgard®) pindolol tablet (generic for Visken®) Sectral® Capsule Sotylize® Solution Tenormin® Tablet timolol tablet (generic for Blocadren®) Toprol XL® Tablet Trandate® Tablet Zebeta® Tablet
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BETA BLOCKER DIURETIC COMBINATION

Preferred	Non-Preferred
atenolol-chlorthalidone tablet (generic for Tenoretic®) bisoprolol-HCTZ tablet (generic for Ziac®) metoprolol-HCTZ tablet (generic for Lopressor® HCT) propranolol-HCTZ tablet (generic for Inderide®)	Corzide® Tablet Dutoprol® Tablet Lopressor® HCT Tablet nadolol-bendroflumethiazide (generic for Corzide®) Tenoretic® Tablet Ziac® Tablet

BILE ACID SEQUESTRANTS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
cholestyramine light packet / light powder / packet / powder (generic for Questran® / Light) colestipol tablet (generic for Colestid® Tablet)	colestipol granules (generic for Colestid® Granules) Colestid® Granules / Tablet Prevalite® Packet / Powder Questran® Light Powder / Packet / Powder Welchol® Packet / Tablet

CARDIOVASCULAR

CHOLESTEROL LOWERING AGENTS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
atorvastatin tablet (generic for Lipitor®) lovastatin tablet (generic for Mevacor®) pravastatin tablet (generic for Pravachol®) simvastatin tablet (generic for Zocor®)	Altoprev® Tablet amlodipine-atorvastatin tablet (generic for Caduet®) Caduet® Tablet Crestor® Tablet fluvastatin capsule / ER tablet (generic for Lescol® / XL) Lescol® Capsule / XL Tablet Lipitor® Tablet Livalo® Tablet Pravachol® Tablet Vytorin® Tablet Zetia® Tablet Zocor® Tablet <p style="text-align: center;">Clinical criteria apply</p> Juxtapid® Capsule Kynamro® Syringe

CORONARY VASODILATORS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
isosorbide dinitrate tablet / ER (generic for Isordil Titradose®, IsoDitrade®, et.al.)	Dilatrate® SR Capsule

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isosorbide mononitrate tablet / ER tablet (generic for Ismo®, Monoket®, Imdur®)
Minitran® Patch
nitroglycerin ER capsules / patches / spray / sublingual (generic for Nitro-Dur®, Minitran®, Nitrostat®, Nitrolingual®, Nitromist®)
Nitrostat® SL Tablet

Isordil® Tablet / Titradoso Tablet
Nitro-Bid® Ointment
Nitro-Dur® Patch
Nitrolingual® Spray
Nitromist® Spray

DIHYDROPYRIDINE CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKERS

Preferred
Afeditab CR® Tablet (branded generic for Adalat CC®)
amlodipine tablet (generic for Norvasc®)
Nifedical® XL Tablet (branded generic for Procardia XL®)
nifedipine capsule (generic for Procardia®)
nifedipine ER tablet (generic for Adalat CC® / Procardia XL®)

Non-Preferred
Adalat® CC Tablet
felodipine ER tablet (generic for Plendil®)
isradipine capsule (generic for Dynacirc®)
nicardipine capsule (generic for Cardene®)
nimodipine capsule (generic for Nimotop®)
nisoldipine ER tablet (generic for Sular®)
Norvasc® Tablet
Nymalize® Solution
Procardia® Capsule / XL Tablet
Sular® Tablet

DIRECT RENIN INHIBITOR

Requires trial and failure of ACE Inhibitor unless contraindicated or adverse event, even when using a preferred product

Preferred
Tekturna® HCT Tablet
Tekturna® Tablet

Non-Preferred

ENDOTHELIN RECEPTOR ANTAGONISTS

Preferred
Letairis® Tablet
Tracleer® Tablet

Non-Preferred
Opsumit® Tablet

CARDIOVASCULAR

INHALED PROSTACYCLIN ANALOGS

Preferred
Tyvaso® Refill Kit / Solution / Starter Kit
Ventavis® Solution

Non-Preferred

NIACIN DERIVATIVES

Preferred
Niaspan® ER Tablet

Non-Preferred
Niacor® Tablet
niacin ER tablet (generic for Niaspan®)

NITRATE COMBINATION

Preferred
Bidil® Tablet

Non-Preferred

NON-DIHYDROPYRIDINE CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKERS

Preferred
Calan® Tablet
Cartia XT® Capsule (branded generic for Cardizem CD®)
Dilt XR® Capsule (branded generic for Dilacor XR®)
diltiazem ER 24 hour capsule (generic for Dilacor XR®, Tiazac®)
diltiazem LA tablet (generic for Cardizem LA®)
diltiazem tablet / CD capsules / ER 12 hour capsule (generic for Cardizem® / CD / SR)
Taztia XT® Capsule (branded generic for Tiazac®)
verapamil tablet / ER tablet (generic for Calan® / SR)
Verelan® PM Capsule

Non-Preferred
Calan SR® Caplet
Cardizem CD® Capsule
Cardizem® LA Tablet
Cardizem® Tablet
Matzim® LA Tablet (generic for Cardizem LA®)
Tiazac® Capsule
verapamil ER capsules (generic for Verelan®)
verapamil PM capsule (generic for Verelan PM®)
Verelan® Capsule

ORAL PULMONARY HYPERTENSION

Preferred
Adcirca® Tablet
sildenafil (generic for Revatio®) tablet

Non-Preferred
Adempas® Tablet
Orenitram® ER Tablet

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Revatio® Suspension / Tablet
 Uptravi® Tablet

PLATELET INHIBITORS

Preferred

Aggrenox® Capsule
 Brilinta® Tablet
 clopidogrel tablet (generic for Plavix®)
 dipyridamole tablet (generic for Persantine®)
 Effient® Tablet

Non-Preferred

Durlaza® Capsule
 Persantine® Tablet
 Plavix® Tablet
 ticlopidine tablet (generic for Ticlid®)
 Zontivity® Tablet

RANEXA

Preferred

Ranexa® Tablet

Non-Preferred

CARDIOVASCULAR

SYMPATHOLYTICS AND COMBINATIONS

Preferred

Catapres®-TTS Patch
 clonidine tablets (generic for Catapres®)
 guanfacine tablet (generic for Tenex®)
 methyldopa tablet (generic for Aldomet®)

Non-Preferred

Catapres® Tablet
 clonidine patches (generic for Catapres®-TTS)
 Clorpres® Tablet (branded generic for Combipres®)
 methyldopa-HCTZ tablet (generic for Aldoril®)
 methyldopate injection (generic for Aldomet® Injection)
 reserpine tablet (generic for Serpalan®)
 Tenex® Tablet

TRIGLYCERIDE LOWERING AGENTS

Preferred

gemfibrozil tablet (generic for Lopid®)
 Tricor® Tablet
 Trilipix® Capsule

Non-Preferred

Exemption for use of Lovaza® or generic in patients with triglycerides ≥500mg/dl

Antara® Capsule
 fenofibrate capsule / tablet (generic for Antara®, Lofibra®, Tricor®)
 fenofibric acid capsule / tablet (generic for Fibracor®, Trilipix®)
 Fenoglide® Tablet
 Fibracor® Tablet
 Lipofen® Capsule
 Lofibra® Capsule / Tablet
 Lopid® Tablet
 Lovaza® Capsule
 omega-3 acid ethyl esters capsule (generic for Lovaza®)
 Triglide® Tablet
 Vascepa® Capsule

CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM

ANTIMIGRAINE AGENTS

Quantity limits apply to triptans

Preferred

rizatriptan ODT (generic for Maxalt MLT®)
 rizatriptan tablet (generic for Maxalt®)
 sumatriptan cartridge / injection / nasal spray / refill / syringe / tablet / vial (generic for Imitrex®)

Non-Preferred

Alsuma® Auto-Injection
 almotriptan tablet (generic for Axert®)
 Amerge® Tablet
 Axert® Tablet
 Cambia® Powder Packet
 Frova® Tablet
 Imitrex® Cartridges / Nasal Spray / Pen / Tablet / Vial
 Maxalt® Tablet / MLT Tablet
 naratriptan tablet (generic for Amerge®)
 Relpax® Tablet
 Sumavel DosePro® Syringe
 Treximet® Tablet
 zolmitriptan ODT / tablet (generic for Zomig®)
 Zomig® Nasal Spray / Tablet / ZMT Tablet

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ANTINARCOLEPSY

Preferred

Non-Preferred

Clinical criteria apply

Provigil® Tablet

modafinil tablet (generic for Provigil®)
 Nuvigil® Tablet

CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM

ANTIPARKINSON AND RESTLESS LEG SYNDROME AGENTS

Preferred

Non-Preferred

benztropine tablet (generic for Cogentin®)
 bromocriptine tablet (generic for Parlodel®)
 carbidopa-levodopa ODT (generic for Parcopa®)
 carbidopa-levodopa tablet / ER tablet (generic for Sinemet® / CR)
 pramipexole tablet (generic for Mirapex®)
 ropinirole tablet (generic for Requip®)
 selegiline capsule / tablet (generic for Emsam®)
 trihexyphenidyl elixir / tablet (generic for Artane®)

Azilect® Tablet
 carbidopa tablet (generic for Lodosyn®)
 carbidopa-levodopa-entacapone tablet (generic for Stalevo®)
 Comtan® Tablet
 Duopa® Suspension
 entacapone tablet (generic for Comtan®)
 Horizant®
 Lodosyn® Tablet
 Mirapex® Tablet / ER Tablet
 Neupro® Patch
 Parlodel® Capsule / Tablet
 pramipexole ER tablet (generic for Mirapex ER®)
 Requip® Tablet / XL Tablet
 ropinirole ER tablet (generic for Requip XL®)
 Rytary® ER Capsule
 Sinemet® Tablet / CR Tablet
 Stalevo® Tablet
 Tasmar® Tablet
 Zelapar® ODT

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

Preferred

Non-Preferred

Avonex® Pack / Pen / Syringe
 Betaseron® Kit / Vial
 Copaxone® Syringe
 Gilenya® Capsule
 Rebif® Ribidose / Titration Pack / Syringe
 Tecfidera® Capsule / Starter Pack

Ampyra® Tablet
 Aubagio® Tablet
 Extavia® Kit / Vial
 Glatopa® Syringe
 Lemtrada® Vial
 Plegridy® Pen / Pen Starter Pack / Syringe / Syringe Starter Pack

SEDATIVE HYPNOTICS

Quantity limits apply

Preferred

Non-Preferred

estazolam tablet (generic for Prosom®)
 flurazepam capsule (generic for Dalmane®)
 temazepam 15mg, 30mg capsule (generic for Restoril®)
 triazolam tablet (generic for Halcion®)
 zolpidem tablet (generic for Ambien®)

Ambien® Tablet / CR Tablet
 Belsomra® Tablet
 Edluar® SL Tablet
 eszopiclone tablet (generic for Lunesta®)
 Halcion® Tablet
 Hetlioz® Capsule
 Intermezzo® SL Tablet
 Lunesta® Tablet
 Restoril® Capsule
 Rozerem® Tablet
 Silenor® Tablet
 Sonata® Capsule
 temazepam 7.5, 22.5 mg capsule (generic for Restoril®)
 zaleplon capsule (generic for Sonata®)
 zolpidem ER tablet (generic for Ambien® CR)

CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM

SMOKING CESSATION

Preferred

Non-Preferred

Quantity limits of a 6 months supply per 12 months apply to Chantix

Buproban® Tablet (branded generic for Zyban®)

Nicoderm® CQ Patch

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bupropion SR tablet (generic for Zyban®) Chantix® Tablet / Starting Box / Continuation Month Box Nicorelief® Gum Nicorette® Gum / Lozenge nicotine gum / lozenge / patch	Nicotrol® Inhaler / NS Spray Zyban® SR Tablet
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ENDOCRINOLOGY

GROWTH HORMONE

Clinical criteria apply

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Norditropin® Flexpro / Nordiflex Nutropin® AQ Pen / Nuspin Serostim® Vial	Genotropin® Cartridge / Miniquick Humatrope® Cartridge / Vial Omnitrope® Cartridge / Vial Saizen® Click-Easy Cartridge / Vial TevTropin® Vial Zomacton® Vial Zorbtive® Vial

HYPOGLYCEMICS - INJECTABLE

Rapid Acting Insulin

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Humalog® Kwikpen Humalog® Vial Novolog® Cartridge / Flexpen / Vial	Afrezza® Inhalation Powder Apidra® Solostar / Vial Humalog® Cartridge

Short Acting Insulin

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Humulin® R Vial	Novolin® R Vial / Relion Vial

Intermediate Acting Insulin

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Humulin® N Pen / Vial	Novolin® N Vial / Relion Vial

Long Acting Insulin

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Trial and Failure of only 1 Preferred required	
Lantus® Solostar / Vial Levemir® FlexTouch / FlexPen / Vial	Tresiba® Toujeo® Solostar

Premixed Rapid Combination Insulin

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Humalog® Mix 50/50 Kwikpen Humalog® Mix 75/25 Kwikpen Humalog® Mix 75/25 Vial Novolog® Mix 70/30 Flexpen / Vial	

Premixed 70/30 Combination Insulin

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Humulin® 70/30 Pen / Vial	Novolin® 70/30 Vial / Relion Vial

ENDOCRINOLOGY

HYPOGLYCEMICS - INJECTABLE (continued)

Amylin Analogs

Requires trial and failure or insufficient response to metformin containing products unless contraindication or adverse event even when using a preferred product

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Symlin® Pen Injector	

GLP-1 Receptor Agonists

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Preferred	Non-Preferred
Byetta® Pen Bydureon® Pen / Vial Tanzeum® Pen Injector	<p style="text-align: center; color: red;">Continuation of therapy requires documentation that clinical goals have been met</p> Trulicity® Pen Victoza® Pen

HYPOGLYCEMICS - ORAL
 2nd Generation Sulfonylureas

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Amaryl® Tablet Diabeta® Tablet glimepiride tablet (generic for Amaryl®) glipizide tablet / ER tablet (generic for Glucotrol® / XL) Glucotrol® Tablet / XL Tablet glyburide micronized tablet (generic for Micronase®, Glynase®) glyburide tablet (generic for Diabeta®) Glynase® Tablet	

Alpha-Glucosidase Inhibitors

Preferred	Non-Preferred
acarbose tablet (generic for Precose®) Glyset® Tablet	Precose® Tablet

Biguanides and Combinations

Preferred	Non-Preferred
glipizide-metformin tablet (generic for Metaglip®) glyburide-metformin tablet (generic for Glucovance®) metformin tablet / ER tablet (generic for Glucophage® / ER)	Fortamet® Tablet Glucophage® Tablet / ER Tablet Glucovance® Tablet Glumetza® Tablet metformin ER tablet (generic for Fortamet®) Riomet® Solution

DPP-IV Inhibitors and Combinations

Requires trial and failure or insufficient response to metformin containing products unless contraindication or adverse event even when using a preferred product

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Janumet® Tablet Janumet® XR Tablet Januvia® Tablet Jentadueto® Tablet Tradjenta® Tablet	Glyxambi® Tablet Kazano® Tablet Kombiglyze® XR Tablet Nesina® Tablet Onglyza® Tablet Oseni® Tablet

ENDOCRINOLOGY

HYPOGLYCEMICS - ORAL (continued)

Meglitinides

Preferred	Non-Preferred
nateglinide tablet (generic for Starlix®) repaglinide tablet (generic for Prandin®)	Prandin® Tablet Starlix® Tablet

Meglitinides Combinations

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Prandimet® Tablet	repaglinide-metformin tablet (generic for Prandimet®)

Sodium-Glucose Co-Transporter 2 (SGLT2) Inhibitor and Combinations

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Preferred	Non-Preferred
Invokamet® Tablet Invokana® Tablet	Farxiga® Tablet Jardiance® Tablet

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Synjardy® Tablet
 Xigduo® XR Tablet

Thiazolidinediones and Combinations

Preferred

pioglitazone tablet (generic for Actos®)

Non-Preferred

ActoPlus Met® Tablet / XR Tablet
 Actos® Tablet
 Avandamet® Tablet
 Avandaryl® Tablet
 Avandia® Tablet
 Duetact® Tablet
 pioglitazone-glimepiride tablet (generic for Duetact®)
 pioglitazone-metformin tablet (generic for ActoPlus Met®)

GASTROINTESTINAL

ANTIEMETIC-ANTIVERTIGO AGENTS

Preferred

dimenhydrinate vial (generic for Dramamine®)
 meclizine tablet (generic for Antivert®)
 metoclopramide ODT / solution / tablet (generic for Reglan®)
 ondansetron ODT / solution / tablet (generic for Zofran®)
 prochlorperazine tablet (generic for Compazine®)
 promethazine syrup / tablet (generic for Phenergan®)
 Transderm-Scop® Patch

Clinical criteria apply

Emend® Capsule / Trifold Pack

Non-Preferred

Akynzeo® Capsule
 Anzemet® Tablet / Vial
 Cesamet® Capsule
 dronabinol capsule (generic for Marinol®)
 granisetron tablets (generic for Kytril®)
 Marinol® Capsule
 Metozolv® ODT
 Sancuso® patch
 trimethobenzamide capsule (generic for Tigan®)
 Varubi® Tablet
 Zofran® Solution / ODT / Tablet
 Zuplenz® Soluble Film
 Diclegis® Tablet

Exemption for Diagnosis of Pregnancy

BILE ACID SALTS

Preferred

ursodiol capsule (generic for Actigall®)

Non-Preferred

Actigall® Capsule
 Chenodal® Tablet
 Cholbam® Capsule
 Urso® Tablet / Forte Tablet
 ursodiol tablet / forte tablet (generic for Urso® / Urso® Forte)

GASTROINTESTINAL

H. PYLORI COMBINATIONS

Preferred

lansoprazole-amoxicillin-clarithromycin pack (generic for Prevpac®)
 Pylera® Capsule

Non-Preferred

Omeclamox-Pak® Combo Pack
 Prevpac® Patient Pack

HISTAMINE-2 RECEPTOR ANTAGONISTS

Preferred

famotidine tablet / suspension (generic for Pepcid®)
 ranitidine capsule / syrup / tablet (generic for Zantac®)

Non-Preferred

cimetidine solution / tablet (generic for Tagamet®)
 nizatidine capsule / solution (generic for Axid®)
 Pepcid® Tablet / Suspension
 Zantac® Tablet

PANCREATIC ENZYMES

Preferred

Creon® Capsule
 pancrelipase capsule (generic for Pancrease®)
 Zenpep® Capsule

Non-Preferred

Pancreaze® Capsule
 Pertzye® Capsule
 Ultresa® Capsule
 Viokase® Tablet

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PROGESTINS USED FOR CACHEXIA

Preferred	Non-Preferred
megestrol suspension / tablet (generic for Megace®)	Megace® Suspension / ES Suspension megestrol ES suspension (generic for Megace® ES)

PROTON PUMP INHIBITORS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Nexium® RX / OTC Capsule / Packet omeprazole RX capsule (generic for Prilosec® RX) pantoprazole tablet (generic for Protonix®) Protonix® Suspension	Aciphex® Sprinkle Capsules / Tablets Dexilant® Capsule esomeprazole capsule (generic for Nexium® RX / OTC) lansoprazole capsule (generic for Prevacid® RX / OTC) omeprazole OTC capsule / tablet (generic for Prilosec® OTC) omeprazole sodium bicarbonate capsule (generic for Zegerid® RX / OTC) Prevacid® RX / OTC Capsule / Solutab Prilosec® RX Capsule / Suspension Protonix® Tablet rabeprazole tablet (generic for Aciphex®) Zegerid® RX / OTC Capsule / Packet

SELECTIVE CONSTIPATION AGENTS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Amitiza® Capsule Linzess® Capsule	alosetron tablet (generic for Lotronex® Tablet) Lotronex® Tablet Movantik® Tablet Relistor® Syringe / Vial Exemption for Irritable Bowel Syndrome with Diarrhea (IBS-D) Viberzi® Tablet

GASTROINTESTINAL

ULCERATIVE COLITIS

Oral

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Apriso® Capsule balsalazide capsule (generic for Colazal®) sulfasalazine DR tablet (generic for Azulfidine® Entab) sulfasalazine IR tablet (generic for Azulfidine®) Sulfazine® (branded generic for Azulfidine®)	Asacol® HD Tablet Azulfidine® Entab / Tablet Colazal® Capsule Delzicol® Capsule Dipentum® Capsule Giazo® Tablet Lialda® Tablet Pentasa® Capsule Uceris® Tablet

Rectal

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Canasa® Suppository mesalamine enema (generic for Rowasa® Enema)	Failure of only 1 preferred to obtain non-preferred medication mesalamine kit (generic for Rowasa® Kit) Rowasa® Kit SFRowasa® Enema Uceris® Rectal Foam

BENIGN PROSTATIC HYPERPLASIA TREATMENTS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
alfuzosin ER tablet (generic for Uroxatral®) doxazosin tablet (generic for Cardura®) finasteride tablet (generic for Proscar®) tamsulosin capsule (generic for Flomax®) terazosin capsule (generic for Hytrin®)	Avodart® Softgel Cardura® Tablet / XL Tablet dutasteride capsule (generic Avodart®) Flomax® Capsule Jalyn® Capsule Proscar® Tablet Rapaflo® Capsule Uroxatral® Tablet

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Clinical Criteria Apply

Cialis® Tablet

ELECTROLYTE DEPLETERS

Preferred

calcium acetate capsule (generic for PhosLo®)
 calcium acetate tablet (generic for Eliphos®)
 Eliphos® Tablet
 Renagel® Tablet

Non-Preferred

Exemption for use of Renvela Powder Pack in patients < 12 years old.

Auryxia® Tablet
 Fosrenol® Chewable
 Fosrenol® Powder Pack
 Magnebind® 400 RX Tablet
 PhosLo® Gelcap / Solution
 Phoslyra® Solution
 Renvela® Powder Pack / Tablet
 sevelamer tablet (generic for Renvela®)
 Velphoro® Chewable

GENITOURINARY/RENAL

URINARY ANTISPASMODICS

Preferred

oxybutynin syrup / tablet (generic for Ditropan®)
 Toviaz® Tablet
 Vesicare® Tablet

Non-Preferred

Detrol® Tablet / LA Capsule
 Ditropan® XL Tablet
 Enablex® Tablet
 flavoxate tablet (generic for Urispas®)
 Gelnique® Gel / Gel Sachets
 Myrbetriq® Tablet
 oxybutynin ER tablet (generic for Ditropan XL®)
 Oxytrol® Patch
 tolterodine tablet / ER capsule (generic for Detrol® / LA)
 trospium tablet / ER capsule (generic for Sanctura® / XR)

GOUT

ANTIHYPERURICEMICS

Preferred

allopurinol tablet (generic for Zyloprim®)
 colchicine tablet (generic for Colcrys®)
 probenecid tablet (generic for Benemid®)
 probenecid-colchicine tablet (generic for Col-Benemid®)

Non-Preferred

colchicine capsule (generic for Mitigare®)
 Colcrys® Tablet
 Mitigare® Capsule
 Uloric® Tablet
 Zyloprim® Tablet

HEMATOLOGIC

ANTICOAGULANTS

Injectable

Preferred

Fragmin® Syringe / Vial
 Lovenox® Syringe / Vial

Non-Preferred

Arixtra® Syringe
 enoxaparin syringe / vial (generic for Lovenox®)
 fondaparinux syringe (generic for Arixtra®)

Oral

Preferred

Coumadin® Tablet
 Eliquis® Tablet
 Jantoven® (branded generic for Coumadin®)
 Pradaxa® Capsule
 Savaysa® Tablet
 warfarin tablet (generic for Coumadin®)
 Xarelto® Starter Pack / Tablet

Non-Preferred

HEMATOPOIETIC AGENTS

Clinical criteria apply

Preferred

Aranesp® Syringe / Vial
 Procrit® Vial

Non-Preferred

Epogen® Vial
 Mircera® Syringe

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THROMBOPOIESIS STIMULATING AGENTS

Preferred

Neumega® Vial
 Nplate® Vial
 Promacta® Tablet

Non-Preferred

OPHTHALMIC

ALLERGIC CONJUNCTIVITIS AGENTS

Preferred

cromolyn sodium drops (generic for CroloM®)
 Pataday® Drops
 Pazeo® Drops

Non-Preferred

Alocril® Drops
 Alomide® Drops
 Alrex® Drops
 azelastine drops (generic for Optivar®)
 Bepreve® Drops
 Elestat® Drops
 Emadine® Drops
 epinastine drops (generic for Elestat®)
 Lastacaft® Drops
 Optivar® Drops
 Patanol® Drops

ANTIBIOTICS

Preferred

Azasite® Drops
 AK-Poly-Bac® Ointment (branded generic for Polysporin®)
 bacitracin-polymyxin ointment (generic for Polysporin®)
 ciprofloxacin solution drops (generic for Ciloxan®)
 erythromycin ointment (generic for Ilotycin®)
 Gentak® Ointment (branded generic for Garamycin®)
 gentamicin drops / ointment (generic for Garamycin®)
 Moxeza® Drops
 neomycin-bacitracin-polymyxin ointment (generic for Neosporin® Ophthalmic Ointment)
 Neo-Polycin® (branded generic for Neosporin® Ophthalmic Ointment)
 neomycin-polymyxin-gramicidin drops (generic for Neosporin® Ophthalmic Drops)
 ofloxacin drops (generic for Ocuflor®)
 Polycin® Ointment (branded generic for Polysporin®)
 polymyxin-trimethoprim drops (generic for Polytrim®)
 sulfacetamide drops (generic for Bleph-10®)
 tobramycin drops (generic for Tobrex®)
 Vigamox® Drops

Non-Preferred

bacitracin ointment (generic for AK-Tracin®)
 Besivance® Suspension
 Bleph-10® Drops
 Ciloxan® Drops / Ointment
 Garamycin® Drops
 gatifloxacin drops (generic for Zymaxid®)
 Ilotycin® Ointment
 levofloxacin drops (generic for Quixin®)
 Natacyn® Drops
 Neosporin® Drops
 Ocuflor® Drops
 Polytrim® Drops
 sulfacetamide ointment (generic for Cetamide®)
 Tobrex® Ointment/ Drops
 Zymaxid® Drops

ANTIBIOTICS-STEROID COMBINATIONS

Preferred

neomycin-polymyxin-dexamethasone drops / ointment (generic for Maxitrol®)
 Tobradex® Drops / Ointment

Non-Preferred

Blephamide® Drops / S.O.P. Ointment
 Maxitrol® Drops / Ointment
 Neo-Polycin® HC (branded generic for Cortisporin®)
 neomycin-bacitracin-polymyxin-HC ointment (generic for Cortisporin®)
 neomycin-polymyxin-HC drops / ointment (generic for Ocutricin®)
 Pred-G® S.O.P. Ointment / Suspension
 sulfacetamide-prednisolone drops (generic for Vasocidin®)
 Tobradex® ST Drops
 tobramycin-dexamethasone suspension (generic for Tobradex® Suspension)
 Zylet® Drops

OPHTHALMIC

ANTI INFLAMMATORY

Preferred

dexamethasone drops (generic for Decadron®)
 diclofenac drops (generic for Voltaren®)
 Durezol® Drops
 Flarex® Drops

Non-Preferred

Acular® Drops / LS Solution
 Acuvail® Solution
 bromfenac drops (generic for Xibrom®)
 FML® Liquifilm Drops

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fluorometholone drops (generic for FML®)
 flurbiprofen drops (generic for Ocufen®)
 FML® Forte Drops / S.O.P. Ointment
 ketorolac solution (generic for Acular® / LS)
 Lotemax® Drops
 Maxidex® Drops
 Pred Mild® Drops
 prednisolone acetate drops (generic for Pred Forte®)
 prednisolone sodium phosphate drops (generic for Inflammase Forte®)

Ilevro® Drops
 Iluvien® Implant
 Lotemax® Gel / Ointment
 Nevanac® Droptainer
 Ocufen® Drops
 Omnipred® Drops
 Ozurdex® Implant
 Pred Forte® Drops
 Prolensa® Drops
 Retisert® Implant
 Triesence® Vial
 Vexol® Drops

GLAUCOMA

Alpha 2 Adrenergic Agents

Preferred

Alphagan® P Drops
 brimonidine drops (generic for Alphagan®)

Non-Preferred

apraclonidine drops (generic for Iopidine®)
 brimonidine P drops (generic for Alphagan® P)
 Iopidine® Drops

Beta Blocker Agents

Preferred

carteolol drops (generic for Ocupress®)
 Combigan® Drops
 Istalol® Drops
 levobunolol drops (generic for Betagan®)
 timolol drops / GFS gel-solution / gel-solution (generic for Timoptic® / Timoptic XE®)

Non-Preferred

betaxolol drops (generic for Betoptic®)
 Betagan® Drops
 Betoptic® S Drops
 metipranolol drops (generic for OptiPranolol®)
 Timoptic® Drops / Ocudose Drops / XE Solution

Carbonic Anhydrase Inhibitors

Preferred

Azopt® Drops
 dorzolamide drops (generic for Trusopt®)
 dorzolamide-timolol drops (generic for Cosopt®)
 Simbrinza® Drops

Non-Preferred

Cosopt® Drops / PF Drops
 Trusopt® Drops

Prostaglandin Agonists

Preferred

latanoprost drops (generic for Xalatan®)
 Travatan® Z Drops

Non-Preferred

bimatoprost (generic for Lumigan® Drops)
 Lumigan® Drops
 travoprost drops (generic for Travatan®)
 Xalatan® Drops
 Zioptan® Drops

OSTEOPOROSIS

BONE RESORPTION SUPPRESSION AND RELATED AGENTS

Preferred

alendronate tablet (generic for Fosamax®)
 Fortical® Nasal Spray
 raloxifene tablet (generic for Evista®)

Non-Preferred

Actonel® Tablet
 alendronate solution (generic for Fosamax® Solution)
 Atelvia® Tablet
 Binosto® Effervescent Tablet
 Boniva® Tablet
 calcitonin salmon nasal spray (generic for Miacalcin®)
 etidronate tablet (generic for Didronel®)
 Evista® Tablet
 Forteo® Pen Injection
 Fosamax® Tablet / Plus D Tablet
 ibandronate tablet (generic for Boniva®)
 Miacalcin® Nasal Spray
 Prolia® Syringe
 risedronate tablet (generic for Actonel®)

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OTIC

ANTIBIOTICS

Preferred

Ciprodex® Suspension
 neomycin-polymyxin-hydrocortisone solution / suspension (generic for Cortisporin®)

Non-Preferred

Cipro® HC Suspension
 ciprofloxacin solution (generic for Cetraxal®)
 Coly-Mycin® S Drops
 Cortisporin-TC® Suspension
 ofloxacin drops (generic for Floxin®)

ANTI-INFECTIVES AND ANESTHETICS

Preferred

acetic acid solution (generic for Vosol®)
 acetic acid-aluminum drops (generic for Domeboro®)
 antipyrine-benzocaine drops (generic for Auralgan®)
 Auroguard® Solution (branded generic for Auralgan®)

Non-Preferred

Acetasol HC® Drops (branded generic for Vosol® HC)
 acetic acid-hydrocortisone solution (generic for Vosol® HC)
 Otic Care® Solution
 Oto-End 10® Drops
 Otozin® Ear Drops
 Pinnacaine® Otic Drops

RESPIRATORY

BETA-ADRENERGIC HANDHELD, LONG ACTING

Preferred

Foradil® Aerolizer Capsule **<No longer made after January, 2016>**
 Serevent® Diskus

Non-Preferred

Arcapta® Neohaler
 Striverdi® Respimat Inhalation Spray

BETA-ADRENERGIC HANDHELD, SHORT ACTING

Preferred

Proair® HFA Inhaler
 Proventil® HFA Inhaler

Non-Preferred

Ventolin® HFA Inhaler
 Xopenex® HFA Inhaler

BETA-ADRENERGIC NEBULIZERS

Preferred

albuterol 0.63mg/3ml solution (generic for Accuneb®)
 albuterol 1.25mg/3ml solution (generic for Accuneb®)
 albuterol sulfate 2.5mg/0.5ml solution
 albuterol sulfate 2.5mg/3ml solution
 albuterol sulfate 5mg/ml solution

Non-Preferred

Exemption for use of Accuneb/generic Accuneb in patients < 2 years old

Brovana® Solution
 levalbuterol solution / concentrate solution (generic for Xopenex® / Concentrate)
 Perforomist® Solution
 Xopenex® Solution / Concentrate Solution

RESPIRATORY

BETA-ADRENERGIC - ORAL

Preferred

albuterol tablets (generic for Proventil® Repetabs)
 albuterol syrup (generic for Ventolin® Syrup)
 metaproterenol syrup (generic for Alupent® Syrup)
 terbutaline tablet (generic for Brethine®)

Non-Preferred

albuterol ER tablets (generic for VoSpire® ER)
 metaproterenol tablet (generic for Alupent® Tablet)
 VoSpire® ER Tablet

COPD AGENTS

Preferred

Atrovent® HFA Inhaler
 Combivent® Respimat Inhalation Spray
 ipratropium nebulizer solution (generic for Atrovent® Nebulizer Solution)
 ipratropium-albuterol solution (generic for Duoneb®)
 Spiriva® Handihaler

Non-Preferred

Failure of only Spiriva® required to obtain non-preferred medication

Anoro® Elipta Inhaler
 Daliresp® Tablet
 Incruse® Elipta Inhaler
 Seebri® Neohaler
 Spiriva® Respimat Inhalation Spray
 Stiolto® Respimat Inhalation Spray
 Tudorza® Pressair Inhaler
 Utibron® Neohaler

CORTICOSTEROIDS

Clinical criteria apply

Preferred

Pulmicort® Respules 0.25mg, 0.5mg, 1mg

Non-Preferred

Aerospan® Inhaler

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QVAR® Inhaler	Alvesco® Inhaler Arnuity Elipta® Inhaler Asmanex® HFA Inhaler Asmanex® Twisthaler budesonide suspension (generic for Pulmicort® Respules) Flovent® Diskus / HFA Inhaler Pulmicort® Flexhaler
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CORTICOSTEROID COMBINATION

Clinical criteria apply

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Advair® Diskus / HFA Inhaler Dulera® Inhaler Symbicort® Inhaler	Breo Elipta®

INTRANASAL RHINITIS AGENTS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Astepro® Nasal Spray azelastine spray (generic for Astelin®) fluticasone spray (generic for Flonase®) ipratropium spray (generic for Atrovent® Nasal) Nasonex® Nasal Spray Patanase® Nasal Spray	Exemption for steroids applies to patients < 4 years old
	Astelin® Nasal Spray Atrovent® Spray azelastine spray (generic for Astepro®) Beconase® AQ spray budesonide nasal spray (generic for Rhinocort® Aqua) Dymista® Nasal Spray Flonase® Nasal Spray (RX ONLY) flunisolide spray (generic for Nasalide®) olopatadine nasal spray(generic for Patanase®) Omnaris® Nasal Spray QNasl® Nasal Spray / Children's Spray Rhinocort® Aqua Nasal Spray Ticanase nasal spray triamcinolone nasal spray (generic for Nasacort® AQ) Veramyst® Nasal Spray Zetonna® Nasal Spray

RESPIRATORY

LEUKOTRIENE MODIFIERS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Accolate® Tablet montelukast chewable / granules / tablet (generic for Singulair®) zafirlukast tablet (generic for Accolate®)	Singulair® Chewable / Granules / Tablet Zyflo® CR Tablet / Filmtab

LOW SEDATING ANTIHISTAMINES

Preferred	Non-Preferred
cetirizine OTC syrup 1mg/1ml (generic for Zyrtec OTC® Syrup) cetirizine OTC tablets (generic for Zyrtec® OTC Tablets) cetirizine RX syrup (generic for Zyrtec® Syrup) loratadine OTC ODT / solution / tablet (generic for Claritin® OTC)	Exemption for use of Clarinex syrup in patients < 2 years old
	Allegra® Allergy OTC Tablet Allegra® Allergy Suspension OTC cetirizine OTC chewable (generic for Zyrtec® OTC) cetirizine OTC syrup 5mg/5ml (generic for Zyrtec® OTC Syrup) Clarinex® Syrup / Tablet Claritin® Tablet OTC desloratadine ODT / Tablet (generic for Clarinex®) fexofenadine 60mg, 180 mg tablet (generic for Allegra®) fexofenadine OTC suspension / tablet (generic for Allegra® OTC) levocetirizine solution / tablet (generic for Xyzal®) Xyzal® Solution / Tablet Zyrtec®

LOW SEDATING ANTIHISTAMINE COMBINATION

Quantity limits of 102 days supply per 12 months apply / PA required for class

Preferred	Non-Preferred
	Allegra-D® 12 Hour OTC Tablet

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loratadine-D OTC tablet (generic for Claritin-D® OTC)	Allegra-D® 24 Hour OTC Tablet cetirizine-D OTC tablet (generic for Zyrtec-D® OTC) Clarinex-D® Tablet Claritin-D® 12 Hour OTC Tablet Claritin-D® 24 Hour OTC Tablet fexofenadine-D 12 Hour OTC Tablet (generic for Allegra-D® 12 Hour OTC) Semprex-D® Capsule Zyrtec-D OTC Tablet
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TOPICALS

ACNE AGENTS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Azelex® Cream Benzacilin® Gel / Gel Pump clindamycin phosphate gel / lotion / pledgets / solution (generic for Cleocin-T®) Differin® Cream / Gel / Gel Pump / Lotion Retin-A® Cream / Gel	Acne Clearing System Acanya® Gel Pump Aczone® Gel adapalene cream / gel / gel pump (generic for Differin®) Atralin® Gel Avar® Cleanser / Cleansing Pads / LS Cleanser / LS Cleansing Pads Avar-E® Emollient Cream / Green Emollient Cream / LS Cream Avita® Cream / Gel Benzamycin® Gel / Pak Gel Benzefoam Ultra Benzepro® Creamy Wash / Emollient Foam / Foam / Foaming Cloths benzoyl peroxide cleanser / wash / foam / gel / kit / towlette (generic for Benzac®, et. al) BP® 10-1 Wash / Cleansing Wash Cleocin® T Gel / Lotion / Pledgets / Solution Clindacin® ETZ Pledget / Kit / P Pledgets / PAC Kit clindamycin phosphate foam (generic for Evoclin®) clindamycin-benzoyl peroxide gel (generic for Benzacilin®, Duac®, Neuac®) Duac® Gel Epiduo® Gel / Gel Pump/ Forte Ery® Pads Erygel® Gel erythromycin gel / pledgets / solution (generic for Emcin®, Erycette®, EryDerm®, EryGel®, EryMax®, A/T/S®, T-Stat®) erythromycin-benzoyl peroxide gel (generic for Benzamycin®) Evoclin® Foam Fabior® Foam Inova® (4/1, 8/2) Klaron® Lotion Neuac® Gel / Kit Onexton® Gel / Gel Pump Ovace® Plus Cleansing Gel / Plus Cream / Plus Lotion / Plus Shampoo / Wash Promiseb® Complete Retin-A® / Micro Gel / Micro Pump Gel Rosula® Cloths / Wash Seb-Prev® Wash sodium sulfacetamide shampoo, wash (generic for Ovace® / Plus) sodium sulfacetamide cleanser / cream (generic for Avar® / LS) sodium sulfacetamide lotion (generic for Klaron®) sodium sulfacetamide sulfur cleanser / cloth (generic for Rosula®) sodium sulfacetamide sulfur kit / wash (generic for Sumadan®) sodium sulfacetamide sulfur lotion / suspension (generic for Novacet®, Plexion®, Zetacet®) sodium sulfacetamide sulfur pad / suspension / wash (generic for Suamxin®) SSS® 10-5 Cream / Foam sulfacetamide sulfur cream (generic for Avar® E, SSS® 10-5) Sulfacleanse® Suspension Sumadan® Kit / Wash / XLT Kit Sumaxin® Cleansing Pads / CP Kit / TS Topical Suspension / Wash Tazorac® Cream / Gel tretinoin microsphere gel / gel pump (generic for Retin-A® Micro) tretinoin cream / gel (generic for Retin-A®) Veltin® Gel

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Virti-Sulf® Emollient Cream
 Ziana® Gel

TOPICALS

ANDROGENIC AGENTS

Preferred

Androgel® Packet / Pump

Non-Preferred

Androderm® Patch
 Axiron® Actuation Solution
 Fortesta® Gel Pump
 Natesto® Nasal
 Testim® Gel
 testosterone gel (generic for Testim, Vogelxo®)
 testosterone gel packet / pump (generic for Androgel, Vogelxo®)
 testosterone gel pump (generic for Fortesta®)
 Vogelxo® Gel / Gel Packet / Gel Pump

ANESTHETICS

Preferred

Voltaren® Gel

Non-Preferred

Clinical criteria apply to Lidoderm®

diclofenac solution (generic for Pennsaid®)
 Dermacinrx Lexitral (Topical)
 Flector® Patch
 lidocaine patch (generic for Lidoderm®)
 Lidoderm® Patch
 Pennsaid® Pump / Solution
 Qutenza® Kit

ANTIBIOTIC

Preferred

Bactroban® Cream
 gentamicin cream / ointment (generic for Garamycin®)
 mupirocin ointment (generic for Bactroban® Ointment)

Non-Preferred

Altabax® Ointment
 Bactroban® Ointment / Nasal Ointment
 Centany® AT Ointment Kit / Ointment
 mupirocin cream (generic for Bactroban® Cream)

ANTIBIOTIC - VAGINAL

Preferred

Cleocin® Vaginal Ovules
 clindamycin vaginal cream (generic for Cleocin® Vaginal Cream)
 metronidazole vaginal gel (generic for Metrogel® Vaginal Gel)
 Vandazole® Vaginal Gel

Non-Preferred

Cleocin® Vaginal Cream
 Clindese® Vaginal Cream
 Nuversa® Vaginal Gel
 Metrogel® Vaginal Gel

TOPICALS

ANTIFUNGAL

Preferred

ciclopirox cream (generic for Loprox® Cream)
 ciclopirox solution (generic for Penlac® Solution)
 clotrimazole RX cream / solution (generic for Lotrimin® RX)
 clotrimazole-betamethasone cream (generic for Lotrisone® cream)
 ketoconazole cream / shampoo (generic for Nizoral®)
 Nyamyc® Powder (branded generic for Nystop®)
 nystatin cream / ointment / powder (generic for Mycostatin®, Nystop®)
 Nystop® Powder

Non-Preferred

Clinical criteria apply to Vusion®

Bensal HP®
 Ciclodan® Cream / Cream Kit / Kit / Solution
 ciclopirox gel / shampoo / suspension (generic for Loprox®)
 ciclopirox treatment kit (generic for Ciclodan® Kit)
 clotrimazole-betamethasone lotion (generic for Lotrisone® lotion)
 CNL® 8 Nail Kit
 econazole cream (generic for Spectazole®)
 Ertaczo® Cream
 Exelderm® Cream / Solution
 Extina® Foam
 Jublia® Topical Solution
 Kerydin® Topical Solution
 ketoconazole foam (generic for Extina® Foam)
 Loprox® Shampoo
 Lotrisone® Cream
 Luzu® Cream
 Mentax® Cream

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	naftifine cream / gel (generic for Naftin® Cream / Gel) Naftin® Cream / Gel Nizoral® Shampoo nystatin-triamcinolone cream / ointment (generic for Mycolog II®) Oxistat® Cream / Lotion Pediderm AF® Kit Penlac® Solution Vusion® Ointment
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ANTIPARASITICS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Eurax® Cream Natroba® Topical Suspension permethrin cream (generic for Elimite®) Sklice® Lotion	<p style="text-align: center;">Failure of only one preferred required to obtain a non-preferred Medication</p> Elimite® Cream Eurax® Lotion lindane lotion / shampoo malathion lotion (generic for Ovide®) Ovide® Lotion spinosad topical suspension (generic for Natroba®)

ANTIVIRAL

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Zovirax® Cream	acyclovir ointment/ AG (generic for Zovirax® Ointment) Denavir® Cream Xerese® Cream Zovirax® Ointment

IMMUNOMODULATORS

Atopic Dermatitis

Clinical criteria apply

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Elidel® Cream	Protopic® Ointment tacrolimus ointment (generic Protopic®)

Imidazoquinolinamines

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Aldara® Cream	imiquimod cream packet (generic for Aldara®) Zyclara® Cream / Cream Pump

TOPICALS

PSORIASIS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
calcipotriene cream / ointment / solution (generic for Dovonex®)	calcipotriene-betamethasone ointment (generic for Talconex®) Calcitrene® Ointment (branded generic for Dovonex®) calcitriol ointment (generic for Vectical®) Dovonex® Cream Enstilar® Foam Sorilux® Foam Taclonex® Ointment / Suspension Vectical® Ointment

ROSACEA AGENTS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
MetroGel® MetroLotion® metronidazole cream (generic for MetroCream®) metronidazole lotion (generic for MetroLotion®)	Finacea® Gel MetroCream® metronidazole gel (generic for MetroGel®) Mirvaso® Gel Noritate® Cream Rosadan® Cream / Gel / Kit Soolantra® Cream

STEROIDS

Low Potency

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Preferred

alclometasone dipropionate cream / ointment (generic for Aclovate®)
 DermaSmoothe® FS Scalp and Body Oil
 desonide cream / ointment (generic for DesOwen®)
 hydrocortisone cream / lotion / ointment (generic for Hytone®)
 hydrocortisone in absorbase

Non-Preferred

Aqua Glycolic® HC Kit
 Capex® Shampoo
 Desonate® Gel
 desonide lotion (generic for DesOwen® Lotion)
 DesOwen® Lotion
 fluocinolone body / scalp oil (generic for Derma-Smoothe® FS Scalp / Body Oil)
 Pediaderm® HC Kit / TA Kit
 Texacort® Solution

Medium Potency

Preferred

fluticasone cream / ointment (generic for Cutivate®)
 mometasone cream / ointment / solution (generic for Elocon®)

Non-Preferred

clocortolone cream / pump (generic for Cloderm®)
 Cloderm® Cream / Pump
 Cordran® Tape
 Cutivate® Cream / Lotion
 Dermatop® Cream / Emollient Cream / Ointment
 Elocon® Cream / Lotion / Ointment
 fluocinolone cream / ointment / solution (generic for Synalar®)
 fluticasone lotion (generic for Cutivate® Lotion)
 hydrocortisone butyrate cream / lipid cream / ointment / solution (generic for Locoid®)
 hydrocortisone valerate cream / ointment (generic for Westcort®)
 Luxiq® Foam
 Pandel® Cream
 prednicarbate cream / ointment (generic for Dermatop®)
 Synalar® Cream / Ointment / Kit / Solution / TS Kit

TOPICALS

STEROIDS (Continued)

High Potency

Preferred

betamethasone valerate cream / lotion / ointment (generic for Valisone®)
 fluocinonide cream / emollient cream / gel / solution (generic for Lidex® / Lidex® E)
 triamcinolone acetonide cream / lotion / ointment (generic for Kenalog®)

Non-Preferred

amcinonide cream / lotion / ointment (generic for Cyclocort®)
 betamethasone dipropionate augmented cream / gel / lotion / ointment (generic for Diprolene®)
 betamethasone dipropionate cream / lotion / ointment (generic for Diprosone®)
 betamethasone valerate foam (generic for Valisone®)
 desoximetasone cream / gel / ointment (generic for Topicort®)
 diflorasone cream / ointment (generic for Florone®)
 Diprolene® Lotion / Ointment / AF Cream
 fluocinonide ointment (generic for Lidex® Ointment)
 Halog® Cream / Ointment
 Kenalog® Spray
 Topicort® Cream / Gel / Ointment / Spray / LP
 Trianex® Ointment
 Vanos® Cream

Very High Potency

Preferred

clobetasol cream / emollient cream / gel / ointment (generic for Temovate®)
 clobetasol solution (generic for Cormax®)
 halobetasol propionate cream / ointment (generic for Ultravate®)

Non-Preferred

Apexicon E® Cream
 clobetasol foam / emulsion foam (generic for Olux® / Olux-E®)
 clobetasol lotion / shampoo (generic for Clobex®)
 clobetasol spray (generic for Clobex® spray)
 Clobex® Lotion / Shampoo / Spray
 Clodan® Kit / Shampoo
 Olux® Foam / E-Foam
 Temovate® Cream / Emollient Cream / Ointment
 Ultravate® Cream / Ointment / X Cream Combo Pack / X Ointment Combo Pack

MISCELLANEOUS

ANTIPSORIATICS, ORAL

Preferred

Methoxsalen Rapid (generic for OxSORALEN-Ultra®)

Non-Preferred

Acitretin (generic for Soriatane®)

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Soriatane®	8-MOP® Oxsoralen-Ultra®
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EPINEPHRINE, SELF INJECTED

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Adrenaclick® Auto Injector epinephrine auto injector (generic for Adrenaclick®) epinephrine auto injector (generic for Epi-Pen® Auto Injector / JR Auto Injector)	Auvi-Q® Auto Injector Epi-Pen® Auto Injector / JR Auto Injector

ESTROGEN AGENTS, COMBINATIONS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Activella® Tablet estradiol/norethindrone tablet (generic for Activella®) FemHRT® Tablet Jinteli® (branded generic for FemHRT®) Mimvey® / Lo (branded generic for Activella®) norethindrone-ethinyl estradiol (generic for FemHRT®) Prefest® Tablet Premphase® Tablet Prempro® Tablet	Lopreeza® Tablet

MISCELLANEOUS

ESTROGEN AGENTS, ORAL/TRANSDERMAL

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Cenestin® Tablet Climara® Patch / Pro Patch CombiPatch® Enjuvia® Tablet Estrace® Tablet estradiol patch (generic for Climara®, Menostar®) estradiol tablet (generic for Estrace®) estropipate tablet (generic for Ogen®) Evamist® Spray Menest® Tablet Premarin® Tablet Vivelle-Dot® Patch	Alora® Patch Divigel® Gel Packet Duavee® Tablet Elestrin® Gel estradiol patch (generic for Vivelle-Dot®) Menostar® Patch Mini-Velle® Patch

ESTROGEN AGENTS, VAGINAL PREPARATIONS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Estring® Vaginal Ring Premarin® Vaginal Cream Vagifem® Vaginal Tablet	Estrace® Cream Femring® Vaginal Ring

GLUCOCORTICOID STEROIDS, ORAL

Preferred	Non-Preferred
budesonide EC capsule (generic for Entocort® EC) dexamethasone elixir / tablet (generic for Decadron®) dexamethasone solution (generic for Concedix®) hydrocortisone tablet (generic for Cortef®) methylprednisolone 4mg dosepack / tablet (generic for Medrol®) Orapred® ODT prednisolone sodium phosphate solution (generic for PediaPred®, OraPred®) prednisolone solution (generic for Prelone®) prednisone dose pack (generic for Sterapred®) prednisone solution / tablet (generic for Deltasone®)	Cortef® Tablet cortisone tablet (generic for Patison®) Dexamethasone Intensol® Drops Dexpak® Tablet Entocort® EC Capsule Medrol® Dose Pack / Tablet methylprednisolone 8mg / 16mg / 32mg / tablet (generic for Medrol®) Millipred® Dose Pack / Tablet PediaPred® Solution prednisolone ODT (generic for Orapred® ODT) Prednisone Intensol® Concentrated Solution Rayos® Tablet Exemption for Children 12 years and younger Millipred® Solution Veripred® Solution

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IMMUNOMODULATORS, SYSTEMIC

Clinical criteria apply

Trial and failure of only one preferred agent required

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Enbrel® Kit / Sureclick Syringe / Syringe Humira® Crohn's Starter Pack / Pediatric Crohn's Starter Pack / Pen / Psoriasis Starter Pack / Syringe	Actemra® Syringe / Vial Cimzia® Starter Kit / Syringe Kit / Vial Kit Cosentyx® Pen / Syringe Entyvio® Vial Orencia® SQ Syringe Otezla® Starter Pack / Tablet Simponi® Aria Vial / Pen Injector / Syringe Stelara® Syringe Taltz® (NTM-NR) Xeljanz® Tablet <p style="text-align: center;">Exemption for Diagnosis of Neonatal Onset: Multi-System Inflammatory Disease</p> Kineret® Syringe

MISCELLANEOUS

IMMUNOSUPPRESSANTS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Astagraf® XL Capsule Azasan® Tablet azathioprine tablet (generic for Imuran®) Cellcept® Capsule / Suspension / Tablet cyclosporine capsule / solution (generic for Sandimmune®) cyclosporine modified capsule / solution (generic for Gengraf®, Neoral®) Evarsus® XR Tablet Gengraf® Capsule / Solution Hecoria® Capsule Imuran® Tablet mycophenolate capsule / suspension / tablet (generic for Cellcept®) mycophenolic acid tablet (generic for Myfortic®) Myfortic® Tablet Neoral® Capsule / Solution Prograf® Capsule Rapamune® Solution / Tablet Sandimmune® Capsule / Solution sirolimus tablet (generic for Rapamune®) tacrolimus capsule (generic for Hecoria®, Prograf®) Zortress® Tablet	

OPIOID ANTAGONIST

Preferred	Non-Preferred
naloxone ampule / syringe / vial (generic for Narcan®) naltrexone (oral) Narcan® Nasal Spray Vivitrol®	Evzio® Auto-Injector

OPIOID DEPENDENCE

Clinical criteria apply

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Suboxone® SL Film	Bunavail® Film buprenorphine sl tablet (generic for Subutex®) buprenorphine-naloxone sl tablet (generic for Suboxone®) Zubsolv® Tablet SL

SKELETAL MUSCLE RELAXANTS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
baclofen tablet (generic for Lioresal®) chlorzoxazone tablet (generic for Parafon Forte®)	Amrix® ER Capsule carisoprodol tablet / compound tablet (generic for Soma® / Compound)

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cyclobenzaprine tablet (generic for Flexeril®)
 methocarbamol tablet (generic for Robaxin®)
 tizanidine tablet (generic for Zanaflex® Tablet)

Dantrium® Capsule / Vial
 dantrolene sodium capsule (generic for Dantrium®)
 Fexmid® Tablet
 Lorzone® Tablet
 metaxalone tablet (generic for Skelaxin®)
 orphenadrine citrate ampule / tablet / vial (generic for Norflex®)
 Parafon® Forte Caplet
 Robaxin® Tablet / Vial
 Skelaxin® Tablet
 Soma® Tablet
 tizanidine capsules (generic for Zanaflex® Capsule)
 Zanaflex® Capsule / Tablet

DIABETIC SUPPLIES

Roche Diagnostics Corporation is N.C. Medicaid's designated preferred manufacturer for glucose meters, diabetic test strips, control solutions, lancets, and lancing devices for Medicaid-primary recipients and Health Choice-primary recipients (dually eligible and third-party recipients are not affected). These products are covered under the Outpatient Pharmacy Program and can be submitted under the pharmacy point-of-sale system with a prescription. Diabetic supplies can also be submitted under Durable Medical Equipment using the NDC and HCPCS code. For questions or assistance regarding diabetic supplies, please call the Division of Medical Assistance at 919-855-4310 (DME), 919-855-4300 (Pharmacy) or Roche Diagnostics Corporation at 1-877-906-8969.

Meters

ACCU-CHEK® Aviva Plus care kit
 ACCU-CHEK® Compact Plus care kit
 ACCU-CHEK® Nano SmartView care kit

Test Strips

ACCU-CHEK® AVIVA 50 ct test strips
 ACCU-CHEK® AVIVA PLUS 50 ct test strips
 ACCU-CHEK® SMARTVIEW 50 ct test strips
 ACCU-CHEK® COMPACT Plus 51 ct test strips

Lancets

ACCU-CHEK® Multiclix 102 ct Lancets
 ACCU-CHEK® Softclix 100 ct Lancets
 ACCU-CHEK® Fastclix 102 ct Lancets

Lancing Devices

ACCU-CHEK® Softclix lancing device kit (Blue)
 ACCU-CHEK® Softclix lancing device kit (Black)
 ACCU-CHEK® Multiclix lancing device kit
 ACCU-CHEK® Fastclix lancing device kit

Control Solutions

ACCU-CHEK® Aviva glucose control solution (2 levels)
 ACCU-CHEK® Compact blue glucose control solution (2 levels)
 ACCU-CHEK® Compact Plus clear glucose control solution (2 levels)
 ACCU-CHEK® SmartView glucose control solution (1 level)