

North Carolina Division of Medical Assistance
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ALZHEIMER'S AGENTS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
donepezil 5mg, 10mg tablets / ODT (generic for Aricept® / ODT) Exelon® Patch memantine tablet / titration pack (generic for Namenda®) rivastigmine capsules (generic for Exelon®)	Aricept® ODT / Tablets donepezil 23mg tablets (generic for Aricept®) Exelon® Capsule galantamine ER capsule / solution / tablet (generic for Razadyne® / ER) memantine ER (generic for Namenda® XR) 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

OPIOID ANALGESICS

Long Acting

Clinical criteria apply to all drugs in this class

Preferred	Non-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	Arymo® ER Avinza® Capsule Belbuca (Buccal) buprenorphine patch (generic for Butrans® Patch) 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®) MorphaBond™ ER MS Contin® Tablet Nucynta® ER Tablet oxycodone ER tablet (generic for OxyContin®) oxymorphone ER tablet Xartemis® XR Tablet Xtampza® ER Capsule Zohydro® Capsule

Orally Disintegrating / Oral Spray Schedule II Opioids

Clinical criteria apply to all drugs in this class

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Actiq® Lozenge	fentanyl citrate lozenge (generic for Actiq®) Fentora® Buccal Tablet Abstral® SL Tablet Subsys® Spray

ANALGESICS

OPIOID ANALGESICS (Continued)

Short Acting Schedule II Opioids

Clinical criteria apply to all drugs in this class

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Endocet® Tablet (branded generic for Percocet®) hydrocodone-acetaminophen solution / tablet (generic for Hycet®, Lorcet®, Lortab®, Norco®, Vicodin®) hydrocodone-ibuprofen tablet (generic for Ibudone®, Reprexain®, Vicoprofen®) hydromorphone tablet (generic for Dilaudid® Tablet)	codeine sulfate solution / tablet Demerol® Tablet Dilaudid® Liquid / Tablet Endodan® Tablet (branded generic for Percodan®)

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morphine solution / tablet (generic for MSIR®) oxycodone solution / tablet (generic for Roxicodone®) oxycodone-acetaminophen capsules (generic for Tylox®) oxycodone-acetaminophen tablets (generic for Percocet®) Xylon® (branded generic for Repraxin®)	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®) Norco® Tablet Nucynta® Tablet Opana® Tablet Oxecta® Tablet oxycodone/APAP suspension oxycodone-aspirin tablet (generic for Endodan®, Percodan®) oxycodone concentrated solution (generic for Roxicodone® Intensol) oxycodone-ibuprofen tablet (generic for Combunox®) oxymorphone tablet (generic for Opana®) oxycodone capsule (generic for OxyIR®) Percocet® Tablet Percodan® Tablet Primlev® Tablet Reprexain® Tablet Roxibond™ Roxicet® Solution Roxicodone® Tablet Vicodin® Tablet / ES Tablet / HP Tablet Vicoprofen® Tablet Xodol® Tablet Zamicet® Solution
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ANALGESICS

OPIOID ANALGESICS (Continued)

Short Acting Schedule III – IV Analgesic Combinations

Clinical criteria apply to all drugs in this class

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
 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
 Panlor® Tablet
 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

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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®)
 Inflammacin® tablets
 ketoprofen capsule (generic for Orudis®)
 ketoprofen ER capsule (generic for Oruvail®)
 meclufenamate capsule (generic for Meclomen®)
 mefenamic acid capsule (generic for Ponstel®)
 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

 meloxicam suspension (generic for Mobic® Oral Suspension) - **Exemption for children < 12 years of age**
 Mobic® Suspension

Preferred

celecoxib capsule (generic for Celebrex®) - **Clinical criteria apply**

Non-Preferred

Celebrex® Capsule - **Clinical criteria apply**
 Duexis® Tablet
 Vimovo®

ANALGESICS

NEUROPATHIC PAIN

Preferred

duloxetine capsule (generic for Cymbalta®)
 gabapentin capsule / solution (generic for Neurontin®)

Non-Preferred

Cymbalta® Capsule
 Gralise® Starter Pack / Tablet

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Horizant®
Irenka® Capsule
Lyrica® Capsule / Solution
Lyrica® CR
Neurontin® Capsule / Solution / Tablet
Savella® Tablet / Titration Pack
Dermacin RX® PHN PAK
lidocaine patch (generic for Lidoderm®) - **Clinical criteria apply**
Lidoderm® Patch - **Clinical criteria apply**
Qutenza® Kit

ANTICONVULSANTS

CARBAMAZEPINE DERIVATIVES

Patients with a diagnosis of seizure disorder are exempt from trial and failure criteria and may use any carbamazepine product.

Preferred

Aptiom® Tablet
carbamazepine chewable (generic for Tegretol®)
carbamazepine ER capsule (generic for Carbatrol®)
Equetro® Capsule
oxcarbazepine tablet / suspension (generic for Trileptal®)
Oxtellar® XR Tablet
Tegretol® Suspension / Tablet / XR Tablet

Non-Preferred

Carbatrol® Capsule
carbamazepine suspension / tablet (generic for Tegretol®)
carbamazepine XR tablet (generic for Tegretol XR®)
Epitol® Tablet
Trileptal® Tablet / Suspension (oral)

FIRST GENERATION

Patients with a diagnosis of seizure disorder are exempt from trial and failure criteria and may use any first generation product.

Preferred

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®)
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®)
Zarontin® Capsule / Solution

Non-Preferred

Depakote® ER Tablet / Sprinkle Capsule
felbamate suspension / tablet (generic for Felbatol®)
Felbatol® Suspension / Tablet
Valproate Syrup (oral)

ANTICONVULSANTS

SECOND GENERATION

Patients with a diagnosis of seizure disorder are exempt from trial and failure criteria 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 / tablet (generic for Lamictal®)
levetiracetam tablet / ER tablet / solution (generic for Keppra® / XR)
Sabril® Powder Packet
Topiragen® Tablet (branded generic for Topamax®)
topiramate sprinkle capsule / tablet (generic for Topamax®)

Non-Preferred

Banzel® Suspension / Tablet
Briviact® Tablet and Solution
clonazepam ODT (generic for Klonopin® Wafer)
diazepam rectal / system (generic for Diastat® Accudial / Pedi System)
Fycompa® Tablet / Kit/Suspension
gabapentin tablet (generic for Neurontin® Tablet)
Gralise® Starter Pack / Tablet
Keppra® Tablet / Solution / XR Tablet
Klonopin® Tablet

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zonisamide capsule (generic for Zonegran®)	Lamictal® Chewable / ODT / Starter Kit / Tablet / XR / XR Starter Kit / Tablet lamotrigine starter kits (generic for Lamictal®) 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® Tablet Spritam® Tablet tiagabine tablet (generic for Gabitril®) Topamax® Sprinkle Capsule / Tablet topiramate ER capsule (generic for Qudexy®) Trokendi® XR Capsule vigabatrin powder packet (generic for Sabril® Powder Packet) Vimpat® Solution / Starter Kit / Tablet Zonegran® Capsule
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ANTI-INFECTIVES-SYSTEMIC

ANTIBIOTICS

Cephalosporins and Related

Preferred	Non-Preferred
amoxicillin capsule / chewable / suspension / tablet (generic for Amoxil®, Trimox®) amoxicillin-clavulanate chewable / suspension / tablet / XR tablet (generic for Augmentin® /XR) cefadroxil capsule / suspension (generic for Duricef®) cefdinir capsule / suspension (generic for Omnicef®) cefpodoxime suspension / tablet (generic for Vantin®) cefprozil suspension / tablet (generic for Cefzil®) Cefitin® Suspension / Tablet cefuroxime tablet (generic for Cefitin®) cephalixin capsule / suspension / tablet (generic for Keflex®) Suprax® Capsule / Chewable / Suspension/ Tablet	Augmentin® Suspension / Tablet / XR Tablet Cedax® Capsule / Suspension cefaclor capsule / suspension / ER tablet (generic for Ceclor® / CD) cefadroxil tablet (generic for Duricef®) cefixime suspension ceftibuten capsule / suspension (generic for Cedax®) Daxbia™ capsules Keflex® Capsule

Lincosamides and Oxazolidinones

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Cleocin® Granules clindamycin capsules / solution (generic for Cleocin®) linezolid Tablet (generic for Zyvox®) linezolid suspension (generic for Zyvox®)	Cleocin® Capsules / Injection clindamycin injection (generic for Cleocin® Injection) Lincocin® Vial lincomycin injection (generic for Lincocin Vial®) linezolid IV solution (generic for Zyvox®) Sivextro® Tablet / Vial Synercid® Vial Zyvox® Tablet / IV Solution / Suspension

ANTI-INFECTIVES-SYSTEMIC

ANTIBIOTICS (Continued)

Macrolides and Ketolides

Preferred	Non-Preferred
azithromycin powder packet / suspension / tablet (generic for Zithromax®) clarithromycin suspension / tablet (generic for Biaxin®) E.E.S.® Granules / Filmtab Eryped® Suspension Erythrocin® Filmtab erythromycin EC capsule (generic for Ery-C®) erythromycin filmtab	Biaxin® Suspension / Tablet 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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erythromycin es 200mg suspension (generic for E.E.S.® Suspension) erythromycin es tablet (E.E.S.® Filmtab)	
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Nitromidazoles

Preferred	Non-Preferred
metronidazole tablet (generic for Flagyl® Tablet) vancomycin capsule (generic for Vancocin®)	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®) Solosec™ Tindamax® Tablet tinidazole tablet (generic for Tindamax®) Vancocin® Capsule Xifaxan® Tablet - Exemption for a diagnosis of Hepatic Encephalopathy

Quinolones

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Cipro® Suspension ciprofloxacin tablets (generic for Cipro®) levofloxacin tablet (generic for Levaquin® Tablet) moxifloxacin tablet (generic for Avelox®)	Avelox® Tablet / ABC Pack Baxdela™ Tablets Cipro® Tablet / XR Tablet ciprofloxacin ER tablet / suspension (generic for Cipro® XR / Suspension) Levaquin® Solution / Tablet levofloxacin solution (generic for Levaquin® Solution) 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®)	Adoxa® Capsule demeclocycline tablet (generic for Declomycin®) Doryx® DR Tablet Doryx® MPC Tablet doxycycline hyclate DR tablet (generic for Doryx DR®) doxycycline monohydrate 75mg, 150mg capsule (generic for Monodox®, Adoxa®) doxycycline monohydrate 40mg capsules (generic for Oracea® Capsules) 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 - Clinical justification and failure of doxycycline and minocycline required. Limited to 12 week supply. tetracycline capsule (generic for Sumycin®) Vibramycin® Capsules doxycycline suspension (generic for Vibramycin Suspension®) - Exemption for patients < 12 years of age Vibramycin® Suspension / Syrup Ximino™ Capsules

Antifungals

Preferred

Non-Preferred

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clotrimazole troche (generic for Mycelex Troche®) fluconazole suspension / tablet (generic for Diflucan®) griseofulvin suspension (generic for Grifulvin V®) griseofulvin ultra tablets (generic for Gris-Peg®) nystatin suspension (generic for Nilstat® Suspension) nystatin tablet (generic for Mycostatin®) terbinafine tablet (generic for Lamisil®)	Ancobon® Capsule Cresemba® Capsule Diflucan® Suspension / Tablet 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 entecavir tablet (generic for Baraclude®) Epivir® HBV Tablet / Solution Hepsera® Tablet Tyzeka® Tablet Viread® Powder / Tablet	adefovir tablet (generic for Hepsera®) Baraclude® Tablet lamivudine HBV tablet (generic for Epivir® HBV) Vemlidy® tablet

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 Rebetrol)
Clinical criteria apply to all drugs in this class	
<p>All genotypes without cirrhosis</p> Mavyret™ (8 weeks of therapy) <p>All genotypes with compensated cirrhosis (Child Pugh-A)</p> Mavyret™ (12 weeks of therapy) <p><u>All genotypes with decompensated cirrhosis</u></p> Eplclusa® Tablet in combination with ribavirin <p><u>All genotypes previously treated with an HCV regimen containing an NS5A inhibitor or genotype 1a or 3 infection and have previously been treated with an HCV regimen containing sofosbuvir without an NS5A inhibitor.</u></p> Vosevi™	Daklinza® Tablet (for genotype 3) - must request Sovaldi® in addition to Daklinza® with a separate PA Harvoni® Tablet Olysio® Capsule Sovaldi® Tablet Technivie™ Dose Pack (for genotype 4) Viekira™ Pak Viekira™ XR Tablet Zepatier® Tablet

Herpes Treatments

Preferred	Non-Preferred
acyclovir capsule / tablet / suspension (generic for Zovirax®) famciclovir tablet (generic for Famvir®)	Famvir® Tablet Sitavig® Buccal Tablet

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valacyclovir tablet (generic for Valtrex®)	Valtrex® Caplet Zovirax® Capsule / Tablet / Suspension
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Influenza

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

Antibiotics, Inhaled

Trial and failure of only one preferred drug required

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Kitabis™ Pak (tobramycin inhalation solution) Bethkis® (tobramycin inhalation solution)	Cayston® tobramycin solution / pak Tobi®

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

ANTIDEPRESSANTS

Other

Preferred	Non-Preferred
bupropion tablet / SR tablet / XL tablet (generic for Wellbutrin® / SR / XL) desvenlafaxine ER tablet (generic for Pristiq®) duloxetine capsule (generic for Cymbalta®) maprotiline tablet (generic for Ludiomil®) mirtazapine ODT / tablet (generic for Remeron®) 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)	Aplenzin® Tablet Tintellix® Tablet Cymbalta® Capsule desvenlafaxine ER tablet (generic for Khedezla®) Effexor® XR Capsules Emsam® Patch Fetzima® Capsule / Titration Pak Forfivo® XL Tablet Khedezla® Marplan® Nardil® Tablet 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

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®)	Brisdelle® Capsule Celexa® Tablet escitalopram solution (generic for Lexapro® Solution) fluoxetine DR capsules (generic for Prozac® Weekly) fluoxetine tablet (generic for Prozac®) - Exemption for children < 12 years of age fluvoxamine ER capsule (generic for Luvox CR®) Lexapro® Solution / Tablet paroxetine capsule (generic for Brisdelle® Capsule) paroxetine CR tablet (generic for Paxil CR®) Paxil® Suspension / Tablet / CR Tablet Pexeva® Tablet Prozac® Pulvule / Weekly Capsule

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Sarafem® Tablet
 Zoloft® Solution / Tablet

ANTIHYPERKINESIS / ADHD

Preferred

Aptensio® XR
 Adderall® XR Capsule
 amphetamine salt combo tablets (generic for Adderall®)
 atomoxetine capsule (generic for Strattera® Capsule)
 Daytrana® Patch
 dextroamphetamine tablet (generic for Dexedrine®)
 Focalin® Tablet / XR Capsule
 guanfacine ER tablet (generic for Intuniv®)
 Kapvay® Tablet
 Methylin® Solution
 methylphenidate tablets (generic for Methylin®, Ritalin®)
 Quillichew® ER Oral
 Quillivant® XR Suspension
 Vyvanse® Capsule / Chewable Tablet

Non-Preferred

Adderall® Tablet (**GENERIC PRODUCT PER FDA**)
 Adzenys™ XR ODT / ER suspension
 amphetamine salt combo XR capsules (generic for Adderall XR)
 clonidine ER tablet (generic for Kapvay®)
 Concerta® Tablet
 Cotempla™ XR ODT
 Dexedrine® Tablet / Spansules
 dexamethylphenidate tablet / ER capsules (generic for Focalin® / XR)
 Desoxyn® Tablet
 dextroamphetamine solution (generic for ProCentra®)
 dextroamphetamine ER capsule (generic for Dexedrine® Spansules)
 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 ER tablets
 methylphenidate LA capsules (generic for Ritalin® LA)
 Mydayis® ER Capsule
 ProCentra® Solution
 Ritalin® LA Capsule
 Ritalin® Tablet
 Strattera® Capsule
 Zenzedi® Tablet

ATYPICAL ANTIPSYCHOTICS

Injectable Long Acting

Trial and failure of only one preferred drug required

Preferred

Abilify Maintena® Syringe / Vial
 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

Non-Preferred

Aristada® Syringe

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

ATYPICAL ANTIPSYCHOTICS

Oral

Trial and failure of only one preferred drug required

Preferred

Abilify® Discmelt
 aripiprazole Tablet / Solution (generic for Abilify®)
 clozapine tablet (generic for Clozaril®)
 FazaClo® ODT
 Latuda® Tablet
 olanzapine ODT / tablet (generic for Zyprexa®)
 paliperidone (generic for Invega® Tablet)

Non-Preferred

Abilify® Tablet
 aripiprazole ODT (generic for Abilify®)
 clozapine ODT (generic for FazaClo®)
 Clozaril® Tablet
 Fanapt® Titration Pack
 Fanapt® Tablet
 Geodon® Capsule

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quetiapine tablet (generic for Seroquel®) quetiapine ER tablet (generic for Seroquel® XR Tablet) risperidone ODT / solution/tablet (generic for Risperdal®) Saphris® SL Tablet Symbyax® Capsule ziprasidone capsule (generic for Geodon®)	Invega® Tablet Nuplazid® Tablet olanzapine-fluoxetine (generic for Symbyax®) Risperdal® Solution / Tablet / M-Tab ODT Rexulti® Tablet Seroquel® Tablet Seroquel® XR Tablet / XR Sample Kit Versacloz® Suspension Vraylar® Capsule Zyprexa® Tablet / Zydis Tablet
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CARDIOVASCULAR

ACE INHIBITORS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
benazepril tablet (generic for Lotensin®) enalapril tablet (generic for Vasotec®) lisinopril tablet (generic for Prinivil® and Zestril®) ramipril capsule (generic for Altace®)	Aceon® Accupril® Tablet Altace® Capsule captopril tablet (generic for Capoten®) Epaned® Solution - Exemption for children < 12 years of age fosinopril tablet (generic for Monopril®) Lotensin® Tablet Mavik® Tablet moexipril tablet (generic for Univasc®) Qbrelis® Solution - Exemption for children < 12 years of age 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	Non-Preferred
amlodipine-benazepril capsule (generic for Lotrel®)	Lotrel® Capsule Tarka® ER Tablet trandolapril-verapamil ER tablet (generic for Tarka®)

ACE INHIBITOR DIURETIC COMBINATIONS

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

CARDIOVASCULAR

ANGIOTENSIN II RECEPTOR BLOCKERS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Diovan® Tablet losartan tablet (generic for Cozaar®)	Atacand® Tablet Avapro® Tablet Benicar® Tablet

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	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®)
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ANGIOTENSIN II RECEPTOR BLOCKER COMBINATIONS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Exforge® Tablet Exforge® HCT Tablet	amlodipine/olmesartan tablet (generic for Azor®) 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

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 dofetilide capsule (generic for Tikosyn®) 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
atenolol tablet (generic for Tenormin®) carvedilol tablet (generic for Coreg®) labetalol tablet (generic for Trandate®)	acebutolol capsule (generic for Sectral®) Betapace® AF Tablet / Tablet betaxolol tablet (generic for Kerlone®)

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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®)	bisoprolol tablet (generic for Zebeta®) Bystolic® Tablet carvedilol ER (generic for Coreg® CR Capsule) 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®)	Corzide® Tablet Dutoprol® Tablet Lopressor® HCT Tablet metoprolol-HCTZ tablet (generic for Lopressor® HCT) propranolol-HCTZ tablet (generic for Inderide®) 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®) rosuvastatin tablet (generic for Crestor®) Zetia® Tablet (used as an adjunctive to statin therapy)	Altoprev® Tablet amlodipine-atorvastatin tablet (generic for Caduet®) Caduet® Tablet Crestor® Tablet ezetimibe (generic for Zetia®) ezetimibe-simvastatin (generic for Vytorin®) fluvastatin capsule / ER tablet (generic for Lescol® / XL) Lescol® Capsule / XL Tablet Lipitor® Tablet Livalo® Tablet Pravachol® Tablet Vytorin® Tablet Zocor® Tablet

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	Juxtapid® Capsule - Clinical criteria apply Kynamro® Syringe - Clinical criteria apply
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CORONARY VASODILATORS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
isosorbide dinitrate tablet / ER (generic for Isordil Titrados® [®] , IsoDitrate® [®] , et.al.) 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	Dilatrate® [®] SR Capsule Gonitro® [®] Sublingual Powder Isordil® [®] Tablet / Titrados® [®] Tablet Nitro-Bid® [®] Ointment Nitro-Dur® [®] Patch Nitrolingual® [®] Spray Nitromist® [®] Spray

DIHYDROPYRIDINE CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKERS

Preferred	Non-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® [®])	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

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Tekturna® [®] HCT Tablet Tekturna® [®] Tablet	

ENDOTHELIN RECEPTOR ANTAGONISTS

Covered for diagnosis of Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension only

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Letairis® [®] Tablet Tracleer® [®] Tablet	Opsumit® [®] Tablet Tracleer® [®] Suspension

CARDIOVASCULAR

INHALED PROSTACYCLIN ANALOGS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Tyvaso® [®] Refill Kit / Solution / Starter Kit Ventavis® [®] Solution	

NIACIN DERIVATIVES

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

NITRATE COMBINATION

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Bidil® [®] Tablet	

NON-DIHYDROPYRIDINE CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKERS

Preferred	Non-Preferred

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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 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)	Calan SR® Caplet Cardizem CD® Capsule Cardizem® LA Tablet Cardizem® Tablet diltiazem LA tablet (generic for Cardizem LA®) Matzim® LA Tablet (generic for Cardizem LA®) Tiazac® Capsule verapamil 360 mg capsule verapamil ER capsules (generic for Verelan®) verapamil PM capsule (generic for Verelan PM®) Verelan® Capsule Verelan® PM Capsule
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ORAL PULMONARY HYPERTENSION

Covered for diagnosis of Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension (all) and Chronic Thromboembolic Pulmonary Hypertension- Adempas®

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Adecirca® Tablet sildenafil (generic for Revatio®) tablet	Adempas® Tablet Orenitram® ER Tablet Revatio® Suspension / Tablet Upravi® Tablet

PLATELET INHIBITORS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Aggrenox® Capsule Brilinta® Tablet clopidogrel tablet (generic for Plavix®) dipyridamole tablet (generic for Persantine®) prasugrel tablelet (generic for Effient® Tablet)	aspirin/dipyridamole ER capsule (generic for Aggrenox®) Durlaza® Capsule Effient® Tablet Persantine® Tablet Plavix® Tablet ticlopidine tablet (generic for Ticlid®) Yosprala® Tablet Zontivity® Tablet

ANTIANGINAL & ANTI-ISCHEMIC

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Ranexa® Tablet	

CARDIOVASCULAR

SYMPATHOLYTICS AND COMBINATIONS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Catapres®-TTS Patch clonidine tablets (generic for Catapres®) guanfacine tablet (generic for Tenex®) methyl dopa tablet (generic for Aldomet®)	Catapres® Tablet clonidine patches (generic for Catapres®-TTS) Clorpres® Tablet (branded generic for Combipres®) methyl dopa-HCTZ tablet (generic for Aldoril®) methyl dopate injection (generic for Aldomet® Injection) reserpine tablet (generic for Serpalan®) Tenex® Tablet

TRIGLYCERIDE LOWERING AGENTS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
fenofibrate tablet (Tricor®) fenofibric acid capsule / tablet (Trilipix®) gemfibrozil tablet (generic for Lopid®)	Antara® Capsule fenofibrate capsule / tablet (generic for Antara®, Lofibra®, Tricor®) fenofibrate tablet (generic for Fenoglide®) fenofibric acid capsule / tablet (generic for Fibricor®, Trilipix®) Fenoglide® Tablet Fibricor® Tablet Lipofen® Capsule

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Lofibra® Capsule / Tablet
 Lopid® Tablet
 Lovaza® Capsule - **Exemption for patients with triglycerides ≥ 500mg/dl**
 omega-3 acid ethyl esters capsule (generic for Lovaza®) - **Exemption for patients with triglycerides ≥ 500mg/dl**
 Tricor® Tablet
 Triglide® Tablet
 Trilipix® Capsule
 Vascepa® Capsule

CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM

ANTIMIGRAINE AGENTS

Quantity limits apply to all triptans

Preferred

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

Non-Preferred

Alsuma® Auto-Injection
 almotriptan tablet (generic for Axert®)
 Amerge® Tablet
 Axert® Tablet
 Cambia® Powder Packet
 eletriptan (generic for Relpax® Tablet)
 frovatriptan tablet (generic for Frova®)
 Frova® Tablet
 Imitrex® Cartridges / Nasal Spray / Pen / Tablet / Vial
 Maxalt® Tablet / MLT Tablet
 Migranow® Kit
 naratriptan tablet (generic for Amerge®)
 Onzetra Xsail Nasal Powder®
 Relpax® Tablet
 sumatriptan kit / refill/ injection (generic for Imitrex®)
 sumatriptan/naproxen (generic for Treximet® Tablet)
 Sumavel DosePro® Syringe
 Treximet® Tablet
 Zembrace® SymTouch®
 zolmitriptan ODT / tablet (generic for Zomig®)
 Zomig® Nasal Spray / Tablet / ZMT Tablet

ANTINARCOLEPSY

Clinical criteria apply to all drugs in this class

Preferred

Nuvigil® Tablet
 Provigil® Tablet

Non-Preferred

armodafinil tablet (generic for Nuvigil®)
 modafinil tablet (generic for Provigil®)

CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM

ANTIPARKINSON AND RESTLESS LEG SYNDROME AGENTS

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®)

Non-Preferred

Azilect® Tablet
 carbidopa tablet (generic for Lodosyn®)
 carbidopa-levodopa-entacapone tablet (generic for Stalevo®)
 Comtan® Tablet
 Duopa® Suspension
 entacapone tablet (generic for Comtan®)
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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 glatiramer syringe (generic for Copaxone® Syringe) Glatopa® Syringe Lemtrada® Vial Plegridy® Pen / Pen Starter Pack / Syringe / Syringe Starter Pack Ocrevus®

SEDATIVE HYPNOTICS

Quantity limits apply to all sedative hypnotics

Preferred	Non-Preferred
flurazepam capsule (generic for Dalmane®) temazepam 15mg, 30mg capsule (generic for Restoril®) zolpidem tablet (generic for Ambien®)	Ambien® Tablet / CR Tablet Belsomra® Tablet Edluar® SL Tablet estazolam tablet (generic for Prosom®) 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®) triazolam tablet (generic for Halcion®) zaleplon capsule (generic for Sonata®) zolpidem ER tablet (generic for Ambien® CR) zolpidem SL tablet (generic for Intermezzo®) zolpimist oral spray

CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM

SMOKING CESSATION

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Buproban® Tablet (branded generic for Zyban®) bupropion SR tablet (generic for Zyban®) Chantix® Tablet / Starting Box / Continuation Month Box - Quantity limited to 6 months per 12 months Nicorelief® Gum	Nicoderm® CQ Patch Nicotrol® Inhaler / NS Spray Nicorette® Gum / Lozenge (Buccal) Zyban® SR Tablet

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nicotine gum / lozenge / patch	
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ENDOCRINOLOGY

GROWTH HORMONE
Clinical criteria apply to all drugs in this class

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

HYPOGLYCEMICS - INJECTABLE

Rapid Acting Insulin

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

Short Acting Insulin

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Humulin® R Vial	Humulin R-U500 Kwikpen® Novolin® R Vial / Relion Vial

Intermediate Acting Insulin

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

Long Acting Insulin

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Trial and failure of only one preferred drug required	
Lantus® Solostar / Vial Levemir® FlexTouch / FlexPen / Vial	Basaglar Kwikpen® Tresiba® Flextouch 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 Vial	Humulin® 70/30 Pen Novolin® 70/30 Vial / Relion Vial

ENDOCRINOLOGY

HYPOGLYCEMICS - INJECTABLE (continued)
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Amylin Analogs

Requires trial and failure or insufficient response to metformin containing product unless contraindicated or documented adverse event when using either a preferred or non-preferred Amylin Analog

Preferred

Symlin® Pen Injector

Non-Preferred

GLP-1 Receptor Agonists and Combinations

Requires trial and failure or insufficient response to metformin containing products unless contraindicated or documented adverse event when using either a preferred or a non-preferred GLP-1 Receptor Agonist and Combination

Preferred

Byetta® Pen

 Bydureon® Pen / Vial
 Tanzeum® Pen Injector

Non-Preferred

Continuation of therapy requires documentation that clinical goals have been met
 Adlyxin® Injection
 Ozempic® Injection
 Soliqua® Injection
 Trulicity® Pen
 Victoza® Pen
 Xultophy® Injection

HYPOGLYCEMICS - ORAL

2nd Generation Sulfonylureas

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

Non-Preferred

Alpha-Glucosidase Inhibitors

Preferred

acarbose tablet (generic for Precose®)
 Glyset® Tablet

Non-Preferred

miglitol tablet (generic for Glyset®)
 Precose® Tablet

Biguanides and Combinations

Preferred

glipizide-metformin tablet (generic for Metaglip®)
 glyburide-metformin tablet (generic for Glucovance®)
 metformin tablet / ER tablet (generic for Glucophage® / ER)

Non-Preferred

Fortamet® Tablet
 Glucophage® Tablet / ER Tablet
 Glucovance® Tablet
 Glumetza® Tablet **** requires documentation as to why the beneficiary cannot use preferred long acting metformin product**
 metformin ER tablet (generic for Fortamet®)
 metformin ER tablet (generic for Glumetza®)
 Riomet® Solution

DPP-IV Inhibitors and Combinations

Requires trial and failure or insufficient response to metformin containing products unless contraindicated or documented adverse event when using either a preferred or a non-preferred DPP-IV Inhibitor and Combination

Preferred

Janumet® Tablet
 Janumet® XR Tablet
 Januvia® Tablet
 Jentadueto® Tablet
 Tradjenta® Tablet

Non-Preferred

alogliptin tablet (generic for Nesina®)
 alogliptin-metformin tablet (generic for Kazano®)
 alogliptin-pioglitazone tablet (generic for Orseni®)
 Glyxambi® Tablet
 Jentadueto® XR Tablet
 Kazano® Tablet

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	Kombiglyze® XR Tablet Nesina® Tablet Onglyza® Tablet Oseni® Tablet Qtern® Tablet Steglujan™ Tablet
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ENDOCRINOLOGY

HYPOGLYCEMICS - ORAL (continued)

Meglitinides

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

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

Requires trial and failure or insufficient response to metformin containing products unless contraindicated or documented adverse event when using either a preferred or a non-preferred SGLT2 Inhibitor and Combination

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Farxiga® Tablet Jardiance® Tablet	Invokamet® Tablet / XR Tablet Invokana® Tablet Invokana® Tablet Segluromet™ Tablet Steglatro™ Tablet Synjardy® Tablet / XR Tablet Xigduo® XR Tablet

Thiazolidinediones and Combinations

Preferred	Non-Preferred
pioglitazone tablet (generic for Actos®)	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	Non-Preferred
dimenhydrinate vial (generic for Dramamine®) meclizine tablet (generic for Antivert®) metoclopramide / 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	Akynzeo® Capsule Anzemet® Tablet / Vial Cesamet® Capsule Cinvanti™ Injectable Emulsion dronabinol capsule (generic for Marinol®) granisetron tablets (generic for Kytril®) Marinol® Capsule metoclopramide ODT (generic for Metozolv®) metoclopramide ODT (generic for Reglan®) Metozolv® ODT Sancuso® patch scopolamine patch (generic for Transderm-Scop® Patch) Sustol® Injection Syndros® Solution trimethobenzamide capsule (generic for Tigan®)

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Emend® Capsule - Clinical criteria apply	Varubi® Tablet Zofran® Solution / ODT / Tablet Zuplenz® Soluble Film aprepitant capsule/pack (generic for Emend®) - Clinical criteria apply Emend® Powder Packet - Clinical criteria apply Emend® Trifold Pack - Clinical criteria apply Diclegis® Tablet - Exemption for diagnosis of pregnancy
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BILE ACID SALTS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
ursodiol tablet (generic for Urso®)	Actigall® Capsule Chenodal® Tablet Cholbam® Capsule Ocaliva® Tablet Urso® Tablet / Urso® Forte Tablet ursodiol capsule (generic for Actigall®)

GASTROINTESTINAL

H. PYLORI COMBINATIONS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Pylera® Capsule	lansoprazole-amoxicillin-clarithromycin pack (generic for Prevpac®) Omeclamox-Pak® Combo Pack Prevpac® Patient Pack

HISTAMINE-2 RECEPTOR ANTAGONISTS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
famotidine tablet / suspension (generic for Pepcid®) ranitidine capsule / syrup / tablet (generic for Zantac®)	cimetidine solution / tablet (generic for Tagamet®) nizatidine capsule / solution (generic for Axid®) Pepcid® Tablet / Suspension Zantac® Tablet

PANCREATIC ENZYMES

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Creon® Capsule pancrelipase capsule (generic for Pancrease®) Zenpep® Capsule	Pancreaze® Capsule Pertzye® Capsule Ultresa® Capsule Viokase® Tablet

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
esomeprazole capsule (generic for Nexium® RX / OTC) Nexium® Packet omeprazole RX capsule (generic for Prilosec® RX) pantoprazole tablet (generic for Protonix®) Protonix® Suspension	<p style="text-align: center;">Exemption for children < 12 years of age</p> Aciphex® Sprinkle Capsules / Tablets Dexilant® Capsule lansoprazole capsule (generic for Prevacid® RX / OTC) Nexium® RX / Capsule 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

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rabeprazole tablet (generic for Aciphex®)
 Zegerid® RX / Capsule / Packet

SELECTIVE CONSTIPATION AGENTS

Preferred

Amitiza® Capsule
 Linzess® Capsule
 Movantik® Tablet

Non-Preferred

alosetron tablet (generic for Lotronex® Tablet)
 Lotronex® Tablet
 Relistor® Syringe / Vial / Oral Tablet
 Symproic® Tablet
 Trulance®
 Viberzi® Tablet - **Exemption for Irritable Bowel Syndrome with Diarrhea (IBS-D)**

GASTROINTESTINAL

ULCERATIVE COLITIS

Oral

Preferred

Apriso® Capsule
 balsalazide capsule (generic for Colazal®)
 Lialda® Tablet
 sulfasalazine DR tablet (generic for Azulfidine® Entab)
 sulfasalazine IR tablet (generic for Azulfidine®)
 Sulfazine® (branded generic for Azulfidine®)

Non-Preferred

Asacol® HD Tablet
 Azulfidine® Entab / Tablet
 Colazal® Capsule
 Delzicol® Capsule
 Dipentum® Capsule
 Giazol® Tablet
 mesalamine tablet (generic for Asacol® HD / Lialda® Tablet)
 Pentasa® Capsule
 Uceris® Tablet

Rectal

Trial and failure of only one preferred drug required

Preferred

Canasa® Suppository
 mesalamine enema (generic for Rowasa® Enema)

Non-Preferred

mesalamine kit (generic for Rowasa® Kit)
 Rowasa® Kit
 SFRowasa® Enema
 Uceris® Rectal Foam

BENIGN PROSTATIC HYPERPLASIA TREATMENTS

Preferred

alfuzosin ER tablet (generic for Uroxatral®)
 doxazosin tablet (generic for Cardura®)
 dutasteride capsule (generic Avodart®)
 finasteride tablet (generic for Proscar®)
 tamsulosin capsule (generic for Flomax®)
 terazosin capsule (generic for Hytrin®)

Non-Preferred

Avodart® Softgel
 Cardura® Tablet / XL Tablet
 dutasteride/ tamsulosin capsule (generic Jalyn capsule®)
 Flomax® Capsule
 Jalyn® Capsule
 Proscar® Tablet
 Rapaflo® Capsule
 Uroxatral® Tablet
 Cialis® Tablet - **Clinical criteria apply**

ELECTROLYTE DEPLETERS

Preferred

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

Non-Preferred

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

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Velphoro® Chewable

GENTOURINARY/RENAL

URINARY ANTISPASMODICS

Preferred

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

Non-Preferred

darifenacin er tablet (generic for Enablex®)
 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

Preferred

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

Non-Preferred

colchicine tablet (generic for Colcrys®)
 Colcrys® Tablet
 Duzallo® Tablet
 Mitigare® Capsule
 Uloric® Tablet
 Zyloprim® Tablet
 Zurampic® Tablet

HEMATOLOGIC

ANTICOAGULANTS

Injectable

Preferred

enoxaparin syringe (generic for Lovenox®)
 Fragmin® Syringe / Vial
 Lovenox® vial

Non-Preferred

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

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

Eliquis® Starter Pack

HEMATOPOIETIC AGENTS

Clinical criteria apply to all drugs in this class

Preferred

Aranesp® Syringe / Vial
 Procrit® Vial

Non-Preferred

Epogen® Vial
 Mircera® Syringe

THROMBOPOIESIS STIMULATING AGENTS

Preferred

Nplate® Vial
 Promacta® Tablet

Non-Preferred

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OPHTHALMIC

ALLERGIC CONJUNCTIVITIS AGENTS

Preferred

cromolyn sodium drops (generic for CroloM®)
 olopatadine drops (AG generic for Patanol®)
 Pataday® 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®)
 Lastacaf® Drops
 olopatadine drops (generic for Pataday®)
 Optivar® Drops
 Patanol® Drops
 Pazeo® 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 Ocuflox®)
 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®)
 moxifloxacin ophthalmic solution (generic for Vigamox® Drops)
 Natacyn® Drops
 Neosporin® Drops
 Ocuflox® 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®)

Non-Preferred

Acular® Drops / LS Solution
 Acuvail® Solution

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Durezol® Drops Flarex® Drops 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®)	bromfenac drops (generic for Xibrom®) FML® Liquifilm Drops Ilevro® Drops Iluvien® Implant Lotemax® Gel / Ointment Nevanac® Droptainer Ocufen® Drops Omnipred® Drops Ozurdex® Implant Pred Forte® Drops Prolensa® Drops Retisert® Implant Triescence® Vial Vexol® Drops
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ANTI INFLAMMATORY/IMMUNOMODULATOR

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Restasis® Restasis® (multidose)	Xiidra®

Alpha 2 Adrenergic Agents

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

Beta Blocker Agents

Preferred	Non-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®)	betaxolol drops (generic for Betoptic®) Betagan® Drops Betimol® Drops Betoptic® S Drops metipranolol drops (generic for OptiPranolol®) timolol drop (generic for Istalol® Drops) Timoptic® Drops / Ocudose Drops / XE Solution

Carbonic Anhydrase Inhibitors

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Azopt® Drops dorzolamide drops (generic for Trusopt®) dorzolamide-timolol drops (generic for Cosopt®) Simbrinza® Drops	Cosopt® Drops / PF Drops Trusopt® Drops

Prostaglandin Agonists

Preferred	Non-Preferred
latanoprost drops (generic for Xalatan®) Travatan® Z Drops	bimatoprost (generic for Lumigan® Drops) Lumigan® Drops travoprost drops (generic for Travatan®) Vyzulta™ Drops Xalatan® Drops Zioptan® Drops

OSTEOPOROSIS

BONE RESORPTION SUPPRESSION AND RELATED AGENTS

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Preferred	Non-Preferred
alendronate tablet (generic for Fosamax®) Evista® Tablet Fortical® Nasal Spray	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®) Forteo® Pen Injection Fosamax® Tablet / Plus D Tablet ibandronate tablet (generic for Boniva®) Miacalcin® Nasal Spray Prolia® Syringe raloxifene tablet (generic for Evista®) risedronate tablet (generic for Actonel®) Tymlos™

OTIC
ANTIBIOTICS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Ciprodex® Suspension neomycin-polymyxin-hydrocortisone solution / suspension (generic for Cortisporin®)	Cipro® HC Suspension ciprofloxacin solution (generic for Cetraxal®) Coly-Mycin® S Drops ofloxacin drops (generic for Floxin®) Otiprio® Suspension Otovel® Drops

ANTI-INFECTIVES AND ANESTHETICS

Preferred	Non-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®)	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	Non-Preferred
Serevent® Diskus	Arcapta® Neohaler Striverdi® Respimat Inhalation Spray

BETA-ADRENERGIC HANDHELD, SHORT ACTING

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Proair® HFA Inhaler Proventil® HFA Inhaler	Proair Respiclick® Ventolin® HFA Inhaler Xopenex® HFA Inhaler

BETA-ADRENERGIC NEBULIZERS

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

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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

ORALLY INHALED ANTICHOLINERGICS

Trial and failure of either Spiriva® or Stiolto® only required to obtain a non-preferred drug in this class

Preferred

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

Non-Preferred

Anoro® Elipta Inhaler
 Bevespi® Aerosphere
 Combivent® Respimat Inhalation Spray
 Daliresp® Tablet
 Incruse® Elipta Inhaler
 Lonhala™ Magnair™
 Seebri® Neohaler
 Spiriva® Respimat Inhalation Spray 2.5mcg
 Tudorza® Pressair Inhaler
 Utibron® Neohaler
Spiriva Respimat Inhalation Spray 1.25mcg ****Exemption from trial and failure of preferred drugs for Spiriva® Respimat 1.25mcg when used for Asthma, but must be used concurrently with an inhaled corticosteroid or inhaled corticosteroid/beta agonist combination****

CORTICOSTEROIDS

Clinical criteria apply to all drugs in this class

Preferred

Flovent® HFA Inhaler
 Pulmicort® Respules 0.25mg, 0.5mg, 1mg
 QVAR® Inhaler (discontinued)

Non-Preferred

Aerospan® Inhaler
 Alvesco® Inhaler
 ArmonAir™ RespiClick®
 Arnuity Ellipta® Inhaler
 Asmanex® HFA Inhaler
 Asmanex® Twisthaler
 budesonide suspension (generic for Pulmicort® Respules)
 Flovent® Diskus
 Pulmicort® Flexhaler
 QVAR® RediHaler™

CORTICOSTEROID COMBINATION

Clinical criteria apply to all drugs in this class

Preferred

Advair® Diskus
 Dulera® Inhaler
 Symbicort® Inhaler

Non-Preferred

Advair® HFA Inhaler
 Breo Ellipta®
 AirDuo®
 fluticasone/salmeterol (generic for AirDuo®)
 Trelegy Ellipta

INTRANASAL RHINITIS AGENTS

Preferred

Astepro® Nasal Spray
 azelastine spray (generic for Astelin®)
 fluticasone spray (generic for Flonase®)
 ipratropium spray (generic for Atrovent® Nasal)
 Patanase® Nasal Spray

Non-Preferred

Exemption for steroids applies to children < 4 years of age

azelastine spray (generic for Astepro®)
 Astelin® Nasal Spray
 Atrovent® Spray
 Beconase® AQ spray
 budesonide nasal spray (generic for Rhinocort® Aqua)

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Dymista® Nasal Spray
 Flonase® Nasal Spray (RX ONLY)
 flunisolide spray (generic for Nasalide®)
 mometasone nasal spray (generic for Nasonex®)
 Nasonex® Nasal Spray
 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
 Xhance™ Nasal Spray
 Zetonna® Nasal Spray

RESPIRATORY

LEUKOTRIENE MODIFIERS

Preferred

montelukast chewable / granules / tablet (generic for Singulair®)
 zafirlukast tablet (generic for Accolate®)

Non-Preferred

Accolate® Tablet
 Singulair® Chewable / Granules / Tablet
 Zyflo® CR Tablet / Filmstab
 zileuton

LOW SEDATING ANTIHISTAMINES

Preferred

cetirizine tablets OTC (generic for Zyrtec® OTC Tablets)
 cetirizine RX syrup (generic for Zyrtec® Syrup)
 loratadine tablet OTC (generic for Claritin® OTC)

Non-Preferred

cetirizine OTC syrup 1mg/1ml (generic for Zyrtec OTC® Syrup)
 cetirizine OTC syrup 5mg/5ml (generic for Zyrtec® OTC Syrup)
 Clarinex® Syrup / Tablet - **Exemption for children < 2 years of age**
 Claritin® Tablet
 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®)
 loratadine OTC ODT / solution / soft gel (generic for Claritin® OTC)
 Xyzal® Solution / Tablet

LOW SEDATING ANTIHISTAMINE COMBINATION

Quantity limit of 102 days supply per 12 months apply to all drugs in this class

Preferred

loratadine-D OTC tablet (generic for Claritin-D® OTC)

Non-Preferred

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

TOPICALS

ACNE AGENTS

Preferred

Azelex® Cream
 Benzaclin® Gel Pump
 clindamycin-benzoyl peroxide gel (generic for Benzaclin®)
 clindamycin phosphate pledgets / solution (generic for Cleocin-T®)
 Differin® Cream / Gel / Gel Pump / Lotion
 Epiduo® Gel
 Retin-A® Cream / Gel

Non-Preferred

Acne Clearing System
 Acanya® Gel Pump
 Aczone® Gel
 adapalene cream / gel / gel pump (generic for Differin®)
 adapalene/benzoyl peroxide (generic for Epiduo® Gel)
 Atralin® Gel
 Avar® Cleanser / Cleansing Pads / LS Cleanser / LS Cleansing Pads
 Avar-E® Emollient Cream / Green Emollient Cream / LS Cream
 Avita® Cream / Gel

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Benzaclin® 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 gel / lotion (generic for Cleocin-T®)
 clindamycin phosphate foam (generic for Evoclin®)
 clindamycin-benzoyl peroxide gel (generic for Duac®, Neucac®)
 clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide with pump (generic for Benzaclin®)
 clindamycin/tretinoin (generic for Veltin®)
 dapsone gel (generic for Aczone® Gel)
 Duac® Gel
 Epiduo® 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
 Neucac® Gel / Kit
 Onexton® Gel / Gel Pump
 Ovace® Plus Cleansing Gel / Plus Cream / Plus Lotion / Plus Shampoo / Wash
 Promiseb® Complete / Topical Cream
 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
 tazarotene cream
 Tazorac® Cream / Gel
 tretinoin microsphere gel / gel pump (generic for Retin-A® Micro)
 tretinoin cream / gel (generic for Retin-A®)
 Veltin® Gel
 Virti-Sulf® Emollient Cream
 Ziana® Gel

TOPICALS

ANDROGENIC AGENTS

Preferred

Androgel® Packet / Pump

Non-Preferred

Androderm® Patch
 Axiron® Actuation Solution

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	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 Axiron® Actuation Solution) testosterone gel pump (generic for Fortesta®) Vogelxo® Gel / Gel Packet / Gel Pump
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NSAIDS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Voltaren Gel®	diclofenac solution (generic for Pennsaid®) diclofenac topical gel (generic for Voltaren ® Gel) Flector® Patch Pennsaid® Pump / Solution Pennsaid® Packet Klofensaid ® II Vopac® MDS Xrylix®

ANTIBIOTIC

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Bactroban® Cream gentamicin cream / ointment (generic for Garamycin®) mupirocin ointment (generic for Bactroban® Ointment)	Altabax® Ointment Bactroban® Ointment / Nasal Ointment Centany® AT Ointment Kit / Ointment mupirocin cream (generic for Bactroban® Cream)

ANTIBIOTIC - VAGINAL

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Cleocin® Vaginal Ovules Clindese® Vaginal Cream clindamycin vaginal cream (generic for Cleocin® Vaginal Cream) metronidazole vaginal gel (generic for Metrogel® Vaginal Gel) Vandazole® Vaginal Gel	Cleocin® Vaginal Cream Nuversa® Vaginal Gel Metrogel® Vaginal Gel

TOPICALS

ANTIFUNGAL

Preferred	Non-Preferred
ciclopirox cream (generic for Loprox® Cream) ciclopirox solution (generic for Penlac® Solution) clotrimazole RX cream (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	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) clotrimazole RX solution (generic for Lotrimin® RX) CNL® 8 Nail Kit Dermacin® RX Therazole PAK 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® suspension/cream/kit Loprox® Shampoo Lotrisone® Cream

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Luzu® Cream
 Mentax® Cream
 naftifine cream / gel (generic for Naftin® Cream / Gel)
 Naftin® Cream / Gel
 Nizoral® Shampoo
 nystatin-triamcinolone cream / ointment (generic for Mycolog II®)
 oxiconazole cream (generic for Oxistat®)
 Oxistat® Cream / Lotion
 Pediderm AF® Kit
 Penlac® Solution
 Vusion® Ointment - **Clinical criteria apply**
 Xolegel® Gel

ANTIPARASITICS

Trial and failure of only one preferred drug required

Preferred

Eurax® Cream
 Natroba® Topical Suspension
 permethrin cream (generic for Elimite®)
 Sklice® Lotion

Non-Preferred

Elimite® Cream
 Eurax® Lotion
 lindane lotion / shampoo
 malathion lotion (generic for Ovide®)
 Ovide® Lotion
 spinosad topical suspension (generic for Natroba®)
 Ulesfia®

ANTIVIRAL

Preferred

Zovirax® Cream
 Zovirax® Ointment

Non-Preferred

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

IMMUNOMODULATORS

Atopic Dermatitis

Clinical criteria apply to all drugs in this class

Preferred

Elidel® Cream
 Eucrisa 2%® Ointment

Non-Preferred

Protopic® Ointment
 tacrolimus ointment (generic Protopic®)
 Dupixent®

Imidazoquinolinamines

Preferred

imiquimod cream packet (generic for Aldara®)

Non-Preferred

Aldara® Cream
 Zyclara® Cream / Cream Pump

TOPICALS

PSORIASIS

Preferred

Dovonex® Cream

Non-Preferred

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

ROSACEA AGENTS

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

STEROIDS

Low Potency

Preferred	Non-Preferred
alclometasone dipropionate cream / ointment (generic for Acloivate®) fluocinolone body / scalp oil (generic for Derma-Smoothe® FS Scalp / Body Oil) hydrocortisone cream / gel/ lotion / ointment (generic for Hytone®) hydrocortisone in absorbase	Aqua Glycolic® HC Kit Capex® Shampoo DermaSmoothe® FS Scalp and Body Oil Dermasorb™ HC Lotion Desonate® Gel desonide cream / ointment (generic for DesOwen®) - Exemption for children < 12 years of age desonide lotion (generic for DesOwen® Lotion) DesOwen® Lotion Micort-HC Cream Pediaderm® HC Kit / TA Kit Texacort® Solution

Medium Potency

Preferred	Non-Preferred
fluticasone cream / ointment (generic for Cutivate®) mometasone cream / ointment / solution (generic for Elocon®)	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®) flurandrenolide cream/lotion (generic for Cordran® SP cream and Cordran® lotion) flurandrenolide ointment (generic for Cordran® ointment) fluticasone lotion (generic for Cutivate® Lotion) hydrocortisone butyrate cream / lipid cream / lotion / ointment / solution (generic for Locoid®) hydrocortisone valerate cream / ointment (generic for Westcort®) Locoid® Lotion Luxiq® Foam Pandel® Cream prednicarbate cream / ointment (generic for Dermatop®) Synalar® Cream / Ointment / Kit / Solution / TS Kit

TOPICALS

STEROIDS (Continued)

High Potency

Preferred	Non-Preferred
betamethasone valerate cream / lotion / ointment (generic for Valisone®) fluocinonide-solution (generic for Lidex® / Lidex® E) triamcinolone acetonide cream / lotion / ointment (generic for Kenalog®)	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®)

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	desoximetasone cream / gel / ointment (generic for Topicort®) diflorasone cream / ointment (generic for Florone®) Diprolene® Lotion / Ointment / AF Cream fluocinonide cream / emollient cream / gel (generic for Lidex® / Lidex® E) fluocinonide ointment (generic for Lidex® Ointment) Halog® Cream / Ointment Kenalog® Spray Sernivo® Spray Dermasorb™ TA Cream Dermacin Silapak® Dermacin RX Silazone® Sanaderm®RX Solution Silazone®II Topicort® Cream / Gel / Ointment / Spray / LP triamcinolone spray (generic for Kenalog® Spray) Trianex® Ointment Vanos® Cream Vanos® Cream Ellzia®
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Very High Potency

Preferred	Non-Preferred
clobetasol cream / emollient cream / gel / ointment (generic for Temovate®) clobetasol solution (generic for Cormax®) Clobex® Shampoo halobetasol propionate cream / ointment (generic for Ultravate®)	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 / Spray Clodan® Kit / Shampoo Olux® Foam / E-Foam Temovate® Cream / Emollient Cream / Ointment Ultravate® Cream / Ointment / X Cream Combo Pack / X Ointment Combo Pack Ultravate® Lotion

MISCELLANEOUS

ANTIPSORIATICS, ORAL

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Acitretin (generic for Soriatane®)	8-MOP® Methoxsalen Rapid (generic for Oxsoralen-Ultra®) Oxsoralen-Ultra® Soriatane® Soriatane®

EPINEPHRINE, SELF INJECTED

Preferred	Non-Preferred
epinephrine auto injector / JR (generic for Epi-Pen® Auto Injector / JR Auto Injector)	Adrenacllick® Auto Injector epinephrine auto injector (generic for Adrenacllick®) 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®)	Lopreeza® Tablet

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Prefest® Tablet Premphase® Tablet Prempro® Tablet	
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PROGESTATIONAL AGENTS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Makena® multidose vial and single dose (hydroxyprogesterone caproate injection) Compounded 17 P Makena® Auto-Injector (preferred as of 10/22/2018) hydroxyprogesterone caproate injection single dose (preferred as of 10/29/2018)	hydroxyprogesterone caproate injection multi dose vial

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®, Vivelle-Dot®) estradiol tablet (generic for Estrace®) estropipate tablet (generic for Ogen®) Evamist® Spray Menest® Tablet Premarin® Tablet	Alora® Patch Divigel® Gel Packet Duavee® Tablet Elestrin® Gel Menostar® Patch Mini-Velle® Patch Vivelle-Dot® Patch

ESTROGEN AGENTS, VAGINAL PREPARATIONS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Estring® Vaginal Ring Premarin® Vaginal Cream Vagifem® Vaginal Tablet	Estrace® Cream estradiol vaginal tablet / cream Femring® Vaginal Ring Yuvaferm®

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®, Veripred®) prednisolone solution (generic for Prelone®, Millipred®) prednisone dose pack (generic for Sterapred®) prednisone solution / tablet (generic for Deltasone®)	Cortef® Tablet cortisone tablet (generic for Patisone®) Dexamethasone Intensol® Drops Dexpak® Tablet Emflaza® Entocort® EC Capsule Medrol® Dose Pack / Tablet methylprednisolone 8mg / 16mg / 32mg / tablet (generic for Medrol®) Millipred® Dose Pack / Tablet / Solution PediaPred® Solution prednisolone ODT (generic for Orapred® ODT) Prednisone Intensol® Concentrated Solution Rayos® Tablet Veripred® Solution Taperdex® Tablet Zodex™ Tablet

IMMUNOMODULATORS, SYSTEMIC

Clinical criteria apply to all drugs in this class

Trial and failure of only one preferred drug required

Preferred	Non-Preferred
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Enbrel® Kit / Sureclick Syringe / Syringe Humira® Crohn's Starter Pack / Pediatric Crohn's Starter Pack / Pen / Psoriasis Starter Pack / Syringe	Actemra® Syringe / Vial Arcalyst® SQ Syringe Cimzia® Starter Kit / Syringe Kit / Vial Kit Cosentyx® Pen / Syringe Enbrel® Mini Entyvio® Vial Ilaris® Injection Inflectra™ Vial Kevzara® Orencia® SQ Syringe / Clickjet Orencia® Vial Otezla® Starter Pack / Tablet Remicade® Injection Renflexis™ Injection Simponi® Aria Vial / Pen Injector / Syringe Stelara® Syringe Taltz® Auto-injector/syringe Tremfya® Xeljanz® Tablet/ Xeljanz®XR Siliq® Kineret® Syringe - Exemption for diagnosis of Neonatal Onset: Multi-System Inflammatory Disease
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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®) Envarsus® 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	(This column is currently empty)

OPIOID ANTAGONIST

Preferred	Non-Preferred
naloxone ampule / syringe / vial (generic for Narcan®) naltrexone (oral) Narcan® Nasal Spray Vivitrol®	(This column is currently empty)

OPIOID DEPENDENCE

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Clinical criteria apply to all drugs in this class

Trial and failure of Suboxone® SL film required for coverage of non-preferred options

For coverage of Sublocade- must have diagnosis of moderate to severe opioid use disorder and have initiated treatment with a transmucosal buprenorphine-containing product followed by a dose adjustment period for a minimum of seven days.

Preferred

Suboxone® SL Film
 Sublocade™

Non-Preferred

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

SKELETAL MUSCLE RELAXANTS

Preferred

baclofen tablet (generic for Lioresal®)
 chlorzoxazone tablet (generic for Parafon Forte®)
 cyclobenzaprine tablet (generic for Flexeril®)
 methocarbamol tablet (generic for Robaxin®)
 tizanidine tablet (generic for Zanaflex® Tablet)

Non-Preferred

Amrix® ER Capsule
 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
 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
 ACCU-CHEK® Guide Retail 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
 ACCU-CHEK® Guide 50 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)
 ACCU-CHEK® Guide 2-Level control solution (2-levels)