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ALZHEIMER'S AGENTS

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

ANALGESICS

OPIOID ANALGESICS

Long Acting Opioids

Clinical criteria apply to all drugs in this class

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Butrans® Patch	Arymo® ER
Embeda® ER Capsule	Avinza® Capsule
fentanyl patch 12mcg / 25mcg / 50mcg / 75mcg / 100mcg (generic for Duragesic®)	Belbuca® (Buccal) Film
Kadian® Capsule	buprenorphine patch (generic for Butrans® Patch)
morphine sulfate ER tablet (generic for MS Contin®)	Duragesic® Patch
OxyContin® Tablet	Exalgo® Tablet
	fentanyl patch (37.5 / 62.5 / 87.5mcg dosages) (generic for Duragesic®)
	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

Short Acting Schedule II Opioids

Clinical criteria apply to all drugs in this class

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

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Short Acting Schedule II Opioids (continued)

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Preferred	Non-Preferred
oxycodone-acetaminophen tablets (generic for Percocet [®])	Lazanda [®] Nasal Spray
Xylon [®] (branded generic for Repraxain [®]) Tablet	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
	Repraxain [®] Tablet
	Roxicet [®] Solution
	Roxicodone [®] Tablet
	Roxybond [®] Tablet
	Vicodin [®] Tablet / ES Tablet / HP Tablet
	Vicoprofen [®] Tablet
	Xodol [®] Tablet
	Zamicet [®] Solution

Short Acting Schedule III – IV Opioids / Analgesic Combinations

Clinical criteria apply to all drugs in this class

Preferred	Non-Preferred
codeine-acetaminophen solution / tablet (generic for Tylenol with Codeine [®])	Ascomp [®] Capsule (branded generic for Fiorinal with Codeine [®])
tramadol tablet (generic for Ultram [®])	butalbital compound with codeine capsule (generic for Fiorinal with Codeine [®])
tramadol-acetaminophen tablet (generic for Ultracet [®])	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	Non-Preferred
ibuprofen suspension / tablet (generic for Motrin [®])	Anaprox [®] Tablet / DS Tablet
indomethacin capsule (generic for Indocin [®])	Arthrotec [®] Tablet
ketorolac tablet (generic for Toradol [®])	Daypro [®] Caplet
meloxicam tablet (generic for Mobic Tablet [®])	diclofenac potassium tablet (generic for Cataflam [®])
naproxen EC tablet (generic for Naprosyn [®] EC)	diclofenac sodium tablet / ER tablet (generic for Voltaren [®] / XR)
naproxen tablet (generic for Naprosyn [®] Tablet)	diclofenac sodium-misoprostol tablet (generic for Arthrotec [®])
sulindac tablet (generic for Clinoril [®])	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 [®] Tablet
	ketoprofen capsule (generic for Orudis [®])
	ketoprofen ER capsule (generic for Oruvail [®])
	meclofenamate capsule (generic for Meclomen [®])
	mefenamic acid capsule (generic for Ponstel [®])
	Mobic [®] Suspension
	Mobic [®] Tablet
	nabumetone tablet (generic for Relafen [®])
	Nalfon [®] Capsule
	Naprelan [®] Tablet
	Naprosyn [®] Tablet
	Naprosyn [®] EC Tablet
	naproxen CR tablet
	naproxen sodium ER tablet (generic for Naprelan [®])
	naproxen sodium tablet (generic for Anaprox [®])
	naproxen suspension (generic for Naprosyn [®])
	oxaprozin tablet (generic for DayPro [®])
	piroxicam capsule (generic for Feldene [®])
	Ponstel [®] Kapseals
	Sprix [®] Nasal Spray
	Tivorbex [®] Capsule
	tolmetin capsule / tablet (generic for Tolectin [®])
	Vivlodex [®] Capsule
	Voltaren [®] XR Tablet
	Zipsor [®] Capsule
	Zorvolex [®] Capsule
	meloxicam suspension (generic for Mobic [®] Oral Suspension) - Exemption for children < 12 years of age
Preferred	Non-Preferred
celecoxib capsule (generic for Celebrex [®]) - Clinical criteria apply	Celebrex [®] Capsule - Clinical criteria apply
	Duexis [®] Tablet- Trial and failure of celecoxib required
	Vimovo [®] Tablet- Trial and failure of celecoxib required
NEUROPATHIC PAIN	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
duloxetine capsule (generic for Cymbalta [®])	Cymbalta [®] Capsule
gabapentin capsule / solution (generic for Neurontin [®])	Dermacin Rx [®] Pak
gabapentin tablet (generic for Neurontin [®] Tablet)	Gralise [®] Starter Pack / Tablet
	Horizant [®] Tablet

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NEUROPATHIC PAIN (continued)

Preferred

Non-Preferred

Irenka [®] Capsule
Lyrica [®] Capsule / Solution
Lyrica [®] CR Tablet
Neurontin [®] Capsule / Solution / Tablet
Qutenza [®] Patch
Savella [®] Tablet / Titration Pack
lidocaine patch (generic for Lidoderm [®]) - Clinical criteria apply
Lidoderm [®] Patch - Clinical criteria apply

ANTICONVULSANTS

CARBAMAZEPINE DERIVATIVES

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

Preferred

Non-Preferred

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

FIRST GENERATION

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

Preferred

Non-Preferred

Celontin [®] Kapseal	Depakene [®] Capsule / Solution
Dilantin [®] Capsule / Infatab / Suspension	Depakote [®] ER Tablet / Sprinkle Capsule
divalproex capsule/ sprinkle / ER tablet / tablet (generic for Depakote [®] / ER / Sprinkle)	Depakote [®] Tablet
ethosuximide capsule / solution (generic for Zarontin [®])	felbamate suspension / tablet (generic for Felbatol [®])
phenobarbital tablet / elixir / solution	Felbatol [®] Suspension / Tablet
Phenytek [®] Capsule	Mysoline [®] Tablet
phenytoin chewable / capsules / infatab / suspension (generic for Dilantin [®])	Peganone [®] Tablet
phenytoin extended capsules (generic for Phenytek [®])	Zarontin [®] Capsule / Solution
primidone Tablet (generic for Mysoline [®])	
valproic acid capsule / solution (generic for Depakene [®])	

SECOND GENERATION

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

Preferred

Non-Preferred

clonazepam tablet (generic for Klonopin [®])	Banzel [®] Suspension / Tablet
Diastat [®] Acudial [®] / Pedi System	Briviact [®] Tablet and Solution
gabapentin capsule / solution (generic for Neurontin [®])	clonazepam ODT (generic for Klonopin [®] Wafer)
gabapentin tablet (generic for Neurontin [®] Tablet)	diazepam rectal / system (generic for Diastat [®] Accudial / Pedi System)
Gabitril [®] Tablet	Fycompa [®] Tablet / Kit/ Suspension
lamotrigine chewable / tablet (generic for Lamictal [®])	Gralise [®] Starter Pack / Tablet
levetiracetam tablet / ER tablet / solution (generic for Keppra [®] / XR)	Keppra [®] Tablet / Solution / XR Tablet
Sabril [®] Powder Packet	Klonopin [®] Tablet
Topiragen [®] Tablet (branded generic for Topamax [®])	Lamictal [®] Chewable / ODT / Starter Kit / Tablet / XR / XR Starter Kit
topiramate sprinkle capsule / tablet (generic for Topamax [®])	lamotrigine starter kits (generic for Lamictal [®])
zonisamide capsule (generic for Zonegran [®])	lamotrigine ER tablet / ODT (generic for Lamictal [®] XR / ODT)
	Lyrica [®] Capsule / Solution
	Neurontin [®] Capsule / Solution / Tablet
	Onfi [®] Suspension / Tablet
	Potiga [®] Tablet

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Preferred

Non-Preferred

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

ANTI-INFECTIVES - SYSTEMIC

ANTIBIOTICS

Cephalosporins and Related

Preferred

Non-Preferred

amoxicillin capsule / chewable / suspension / tablet (generic for Amoxil [®] , Trimox [®])	amoxicillin-clavulanate chewable tablet (generic for Augmentin [®])
amoxicillin-clavulanate suspension / tablet / XR tablet (generic for Augmentin [®] /XR)	Augmentin [®] Suspension / Tablet / XR Tablet
cefadroxil capsule / suspension (generic for Duricef [®])	Cedax [®] Capsule / Suspension
cefdinir capsule / suspension (generic for Omnicef [®])	cefaclor capsule / suspension / ER tablet (generic for Ceclor [®] / CD)
cefprozil suspension / tablet (generic for Cefzil [®])	cefadroxil tablet (generic for Duricef [®])
Ceftin [®] Suspension / Tablet	cefixime suspension (generic for Suprax [®])
cefuroxime tablet (generic for Ceftin [®])	ceftibuten capsule / suspension (generic for Cedax [®])
cephalexin capsule / suspension / tablet (generic for Keflex [®])	cefepodoxime suspension / tablet (generic for Vantin [®])
Suprax [®] Capsule / Chewable / Suspension / Tablet	Daxbia [™] Capsule
	Keflex [®] Capsule

Lincosamides and Oxazolidinones

Preferred

Non-Preferred

Cleocin [®] Granules	Cleocin [®] Capsules / Injection
clindamycin capsules / solution (generic for Cleocin [®])	clindamycin injection (generic for Cleocin [®] Injection)
linezolid suspension (oral) / tablet (generic for Zyvox [®])	Lincocin [®] Vial
	lincomycin injection (generic for Lincocin Vial [®])
	linezolid IV solution (generic for Zyvox [®])
	Sivextro [®] Tablet / Vial
	Synercid [®] Vial
	Zyvox [®] Tablet / IV Solution / Suspension

Macrolides and Ketolides

Preferred

Non-Preferred

azithromycin powder packet / suspension / tablet (generic for Zithromax [®])	Biaxin [®] Suspension / Tablet
clarithromycin suspension / tablet (generic for Biaxin [®])	clarithromycin ER tablet (generic for Biaxin XL [®])
E.E.S. [®] Granules / Filmtab	erythromycin e.s. 200mg suspension (generic for E.E.S. [®] Suspension)
Eryped [®] Suspension	Ery-Tab [®] Tablet
Erythrocin [®] Filmtab	Ketek [®] Tablet
erythromycin EC capsule (generic for Eryc [®])	PCE [®] Tablet
erythromycin filmtab	Zithromax [®] Powder Packet / Suspension / Tablet / Tri-Pak / Z-Pak
erythromycin e.s. tablet (generic for E.E.S. [®] Filmtab)	Zmax [®] Suspension

Nitromidazoles

Preferred

Non-Preferred

metronidazole tablet (generic for Flagyl [®])	Alinia [®] Suspension / Tablet
vancomycin capsule (generic for Vancocin [®])	Difcid [®] Tablet
	Flagyl [®] Capsule / ER Tablet / Tablet

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Nitromidazoles (continued)	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
	metronidazole capsule (generic for Flagyl [®])
	neomycin tablet (generic for Mycifradin [®])
	paromomycin capsule (generic for Humatin [®])
	Solosec [™] Granules
	Tindamax [®] Tablet
	tinidazole tablet (generic for Tindamax [®])
	Vancocin [®] Capsule
	Xifaxan [®] Tablet - Exemption for a diagnosis of Hepatic Encephalopathy
Quinolones	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
Cipro [®] Suspension	Avelox [®] Tablet / Avelox [®] ABC Pack
ciprofloxacin tablet (generic for Cipro [®])	Baxdela [™] Tablet
levofloxacin tablet (generic for Levaquin [®])	Cipro [®] Tablet / XR Tablet
moxifloxacin tablet (generic for Avelox [®])	ciprofloxacin ER tablet / suspension (generic for Cipro [®] XR / Suspension)
	Levaquin [®] Solution / Tablet
	levofloxacin solution (generic for Levaquin [®] Solution)
	ofloxacin tablet (generic for Floxin [®])
Tetracycline Derivatives	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
doxycycline hyclate capsule / tablet (generic for Vibramycin [®] , Vibra-Tab [®])	Adoxa [®] Capsule
doxycycline monohydrate 50mg, 100mg capsule (generic for Monodox [®])	demeclocycline tablet (generic for Declomycin [®])
minocycline capsule (generic for Minocin [®])	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 capsule (generic for Oracea [®])
	doxycycline monohydrate tablet (generic for Adoxa [®])
	minocycline ER tablet (generic for Solodyn [®] ER)
	minocycline tablet (generic for Dynacin [®])
	Morgidox [®] Capsule / Kit
	Oracea [®] Capsule
	tetracycline capsule (generic for Sumycin [®])
	Vibramycin [®] Capsule
	Vibramycin [®] Suspension / Syrup
	Ximino [™] Capsule
	doxycycline suspension (generic for Vibramycin Suspension [®]) - Exemption for patients < 12 years of age
	Solodyn [®] ER Tablet - Clinical justification and failure of doxycycline and minocycline required. Limited to 12 week supply.
Antifungals	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
clotrimazole troche (generic for Mycelex [®] Troche)	Ancobon [®] Capsule
fluconazole suspension / tablet (generic for Diflucan [®])	Cresemba [®] Capsule
griseofulvin suspension (generic for Grifulvin V [®])	Diflucan [®] Suspension / Tablet
griseofulvin ultra tablet (generic for Gris-Peg [®])	flucytosine capsule (generic for Ancobon [®])
nystatin suspension (generic for Nilstat [®])	griseofulvin micro tablets (generic for Grifulvin V [®])
nystatin tablet (generic for Mycostatin [®])	Gris-Peg [®] Tablet
terbinafine tablet (generic for Lamisil [®])	itraconazole capsule (generic for Sporanox [®])
	ketoconazole tablet (generic for Nizoral [®])
	Lamisil [®] Granules / Tablet

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Antifungals (continued)	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
	Noxafil [®] Suspension / Tablet
	Onmel [®] Tablet
	Oravig [®] Buccal Tablet
	Sporanox [®] Capsule / Solution
	Vfend [®] Suspension / Tablet
	voriconazole suspension / tablet (generic for Vfend [®])
Antivirals (Hepatitis B Agents)	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
Baraclude [®] Suspension	adefovir tablet (generic for Hepsera [®])
entecavir tablet (generic for Baraclude [®])	Baraclude [®] Solution / Tablet
Epivir [®] HBV Tablet / Solution	Hepsera [®] Tablet
Tyzeka [®] Tablet	lamivudine HBV tablet (generic for Epivir [®] HBV)
Viread [®] Powder / Tablet	Vemlidy [®] tablet
Antivirals (Hepatitis C Agents)	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
Copegus [®] Tablet	Pegasys [®] Vial
Moderiba [®] Dosepack (branded generic for Ribasphere [®] Ribapak)	Pegintron [®] Subcutaneous Injection
Moderiba [®] Tablet (branded generic for Copegus [®])	Ribasphere [®] Ribapak
Pegasys [®] Proclick / Syringe	Ribasphere [®] Capsule / Tablet (branded generic for Rebetol [®])
ribavirin capsule / tablet (generic for Copegus [®] , Rebetol [®])	Rebetol [®] Solution
Clinical criteria apply to all drugs listed below	
	Daklinza [®] Tablet (for genotype 3) - must request Sovaldi[®] in addition to Daklinza[®] with a separate PA
<u>All genotypes without cirrhosis</u>	Harvoni [®] Tablet
Mavyret [™] Tablet (8 weeks of therapy)	Olysio [®] Capsule
	Sovaldi [®] Tablet
<u>All genotypes with compensated cirrhosis (Child Pugh-A)</u>	Technivie [™] Dose Pack (for genotype 4)
Mavyret [™] Tablet (12 weeks of therapy)	Viekira [™] Pak
	Viekira [™] XR Tablet
<u>All genotypes with decompensated cirrhosis</u>	Zepatier [®] Tablet
Epclusa [®] Tablet in combination with ribavirin	
<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>	
Vosevi [™]	
Antivirals (Herpes Treatments)	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
acyclovir capsule / tablet / suspension (generic for Zovirax [®])	Famvir [®] Tablet
famciclovir tablet (generic for Famvir [®])	Sitavig [®] Buccal Tablet
valacyclovir tablet (generic for Valtrex [®])	Valtrex [®] Caplet
	Zovirax [®] Capsule / Tablet / Suspension
Antivirals (Influenza)	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
amantadine capsule / solution (generic for Symmetrel [®])	amantadine tablet (generic for Symmetrel [®])
rimantadine tablet (generic for Flumadine [®])	oseltamivir phosphate capsule / suspension (generic for Tamiflu [®])
Tamiflu [®] Capsule / Suspension	Relenza [®] Diskhaler

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Antibiotics, Inhaled	
Trial and failure of only one preferred drug required	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
Kitabis™ Pak (tobramycin inhalation solution)	Cayston® Solution
Bethkis® (tobramycin inhalation solution)	tobramycin solution / pak
	Tobi® Solution
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	
ANTIDEPRESSANTS	
Other	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
bupropion tablet / SR tablet / XL tablet (generic for Wellbutrin® Tablet / SR / XL)	Aplenzin® Tablet
desvenlafaxine ER tablet (generic for Pristiq®)	Trintellix® Tablet
duloxetine capsule (generic for Cymbalta®)	Cymbalta® Capsule
maprotiline tablet (generic for Ludiomil®)	desvenlafaxine ER tablet (generic for Khedezla®)
mirtazapine ODT / tablet (generic for Remeron®)	Effexor® XR Capsule
Parnate® Tablet	Emsam® Patch
phenelzine tablet (generic for Nardil®)	Fetzima® Capsule / Titration Pak
tranylepromine tablet (generic for Parnate®)	Forfivo® XL Tablet
trazodone tablet (generic for Desyrel®)	Khedezla® Tablet
venlafaxine tablet / ER capsules (generic for Effexor®, Effexor® XR)	Marplan® Tablet
	Nardil® Tablet
	nefazodone tablet (generic for Serzone®)
	Olepro® ER Tablet
	Pristiq® ER Tablet
	Remeron® Solutab / Tablet
	Savella® Tablet / Titration Pack
	venlafaxine ER tablet
	Viibryd® Starter Pack / Tablet
	Wellbutrin® Tablet / SR / XR
Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitor (SSRI)	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
citalopram solution / tablet (generic for Celexa®)	Brisdelle® Capsule
escitalopram tablet (generic for Lexapro®)	Celexa® Tablet
fluoxetine capsule / solution (generic for Prozac®)	escitalopram solution (generic for Lexapro® Solution)
fluvoxamine tablet (generic for Luvox®)	fluoxetine tablet (generic for Prozac®) - Exemption for children < 12 years of age
paroxetine tablet (generic for Paxil®)	fluoxetine DR capsules (generic for Prozac® Weekly)
sertraline concentrated solution / tablet (generic for Zoloft®)	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
	Sarafem® Tablet
	Zoloft® Solution / Tablet
ANTIHYPERKINESIS / ADHD	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
Aptensio® XR Capsule	Adderall® Tablet (GENERIC PRODUCT PER FDA)
Adderall® XR Capsule	Adzenys® XR-ODT / ER suspension
amphetamine salt combo tablet (generic for Adderall®)	amphetamine salt combo XR capsule (generic for Adderall® XR)
atomoxetine capsule (generic for Strattera®)	Cotempla™ XR-ODT
clonidine ER tablet (generic for Kapvay®)	Dexedrine® Tablet / Spansule®
Concerta® Tablet	dexmethylphenidate tablet / ER capsules (generic for Focalin® / XR)

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ANTIHYPERKINESIS / ADHD (continued)

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Daytrana [®] Patch	Desoxyn [®] Tablet
dextroamphetamine tablet (generic for Dexedrine [®])	dextroamphetamine solution (generic for ProCentra [®])
Focalin [®] Tablet / XR Capsule	dextroamphetamine ER capsule (generic for Dexedrine [®] Spansule [®])
guanfacine ER tablet (generic for Intuniv [®])	Dyanavel [®] XR Suspension
Methylin [®] Solution	Evekeo [®] Tablet
methylphenidate tablet (generic for Methylin [®] , Ritalin [®])	Intuniv [®] Tablet
Quillichew [®] ER Tablet	methamphetamine tablet (generic for Desoxyn [®])
Quillivant [®] XR Suspension	Methylin [®] Chewable Tablet
Vyvanse [®] Capsule / Chewable Tablet	methylphenidate CD capsule (generic for Metadate [®] CD)
	methylphenidate chewable / solution (generic for Methylin [®])
	methylphenidate ER tablet
	methylphenidate LA capsule (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	Non-Preferred
Abilify Maintena [®] Syringe / Vial	Perseris [®] Syringe
Aristada [®] Syringe	
fluphenazine decanoate vial (generic for Prolixin decanoate [®])	
Haldol [®] decanoate Ampule	
haloperidol decanoate ampule / vial (generic for Haldol decanoate [®])	
Invega [®] Sustenna Prefilled Syringe / Invega [®] Trinza Syringe	
Risperdal [®] Consta Syringe	
Zyprexa [®] Relprevv [™] Vial Kit	

ATYPICAL ANTIPSYCHOTICS

Oral

Trial and failure of only one preferred drug required

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Abilify [®] Discmelt [®]	Abilify [®] Tablet
aripiprazole Tablet / Solution (generic for Abilify [®])	aripiprazole ODT (generic for Abilify [®] Discmelt [®])
clozapine tablet (generic for Clozaril [®])	clozapine ODT (generic for FazaClo [®])
FazaClo [®] ODT	Clozaril [®] Tablet
Latuda [®] Tablet	Fanapt [®] Tablet / Titration Pack
olanzapine ODT / tablet (generic for Zyprexa [®])	Geodon [®] Capsule
paliperidone tablet (generic for Invega [®])	Invega [®] Tablet
quetiapine tablet (generic for Seroquel [®])	Nuplazid [®] Tablet
quetiapine ER tablet (generic for Seroquel [®] XR Tablet)	olanzapine-fluoxetine capsule (generic for Symbyax [®])
risperidone ODT / solution / tablet (generic for Risperdal [®])	Risperdal [®] Solution / Tablet / M-Tab [®] ODT
Saphris [®] SL Tablet	Rexulti [®] Tablet
Symbyax [®] Capsule	Seroquel [®] Tablet
ziprasidone capsule (generic for Geodon [®])	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 [®])	Aceon [®] Tablet
enalapril tablet (generic for Vasotec [®])	Accupril [®] Tablet
lisinopril tablet (generic for Prinivil [®] and Zestril [®])	Altace [®] Capsule
ramipril capsule (generic for Altace [®])	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 [®])	Accuretic [®] Tablet
lisinopril-HCTZ tablet (generic for Prinzide [®] , Zestoretic [®])	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
ANGIOTENSIN II RECEPTOR BLOCKERS	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
losartan tablet (generic for Cozaar [®])	Atacand [®] Tablet
valsartan tablet (generic for Diovan [®])	Avapro [®] Tablet
	Benicar [®] Tablet
	candesartan tablet (generic for Atacand [®])
	Cozaar [®] Tablet
	Diovan [®] Tablet
	Edarbi [®] Tablet
	eprosartan tablet (generic for Teveten [®])
	irbesartan tablet (generic for Avapro [®])
	Micardis [®] Tablet
	telmisartan tablet (generic for Micardis [®])
ANGIOTENSIN II RECEPTOR BLOCKER COMBINATIONS	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
amlodipine-valsartan tablet (generic for Exforge [®])	amlodipine/olmesartan tablet (generic for Azor [®])

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Preferred	Non-Preferred
Exforge [®] Tablet	amlodipine/valsartan/HCTZ tablet (generic for Exforge [®] HCT)
Exforge [®] HCT Tablet	Azor [®] Tablet
	Prestalia [®] Tablet
	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 [®])	Atacand [®] HCT Tablet
valsartan-HCTZ tablet (generic for Diovan [®] HCT)	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 [®])	Cordarone [®] Tablet
disopyramide capsule (generic for Norpace [®])	dofetilide capsule (generic for Tikosyn [®])
flecainide tablet (generic for Tambocor [®])	Multaq [®] Tablet
mexiletine capsule (generic for Mexitil [®])	Norpace [®] Capsule / CR Capsule
propafenone tablet (generic for Rythmol [®])	Pacerone [®] Tablet
propafenone SR capsule (generic for Rythmol SR [®])	quinidine gluconate tablet (generic for Quinaglute DuraTabs [®])
quinidine sulfate tablet / ER tablet (generic for Quinidex [®] Tablet / Extendtabs [®])	Rythmol [®] Tablet
	Rythmol SR [®] Capsule
	Tikosyn [®] Capsule

BETA BLOCKERS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
atenolol tablet (generic for Tenormin [®])	acebutolol capsule (generic for Sectral [®])
carvedilol tablet (generic for Coreg [®])	Betapace [®] Tablet / AF Tablet
labetalol tablet (generic for Trandate [®])	betaxolol tablet (generic for Kerlone [®])
metoprolol succinate XL tablet (generic for Toprol XL [®])	bisoprolol tablet (generic for Zebeta [®])
metoprolol tartrate tablet (generic for Lopressor [®])	Bystolic [®] Tablet
propranolol solution / tablet / ER capsule (generic for Inderal [®])	carvedilol ER capsule (generic for Coreg [®] CR Capsule)
Sorine [®] Tablet	Coreg [®] Tablet / CR Capsule
sotalol tablet / AF tablet (generic for Betapace [®] / AF, Sorine [®])	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

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BETA BLOCKERS (continued)	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
	Sotylize [®] Solution
	timolol tablet (generic for Blocadren [®])
	Toprol XL [®] Tablet
	Trandate [®] Tablet
	Zebeta [®] Tablet
BETA BLOCKER DIURETIC COMBINATION	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
atenolol-chlorthalidone tablet (generic for Tenoretic [®])	Corzide [®] Tablet
bisoprolol-HCTZ tablet (generic for Ziac [®])	Dutoprol [®] Tablet
	Lopressor [®] HCT Tablet
	metoprolol-HCTZ tablet (generic for Lopressor [®] HCT)
	nadolol-bendroflumethiazide tablet (generic for Corzide [®])
	propranolol-HCTZ tablet (generic for Inderide [®])
	Tenoretic [®] Tablet
	Ziac [®] Tablet
BILE ACID SEQUESTRANTS	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
cholestyramine packet / powder / light packet / light powder (generic for Questran [®] / Light)	colestipol granules (generic for Colestid [®] Granules)
colestipol tablet (generic for Colestid [®] Tablet)	Colestid [®] Granules / Tablet
	Prevalite [®] Packet / Powder
	Questran [®] Light Powder / Packet / Powder
	Welchol [®] Packet / Tablet
CHOLESTEROL LOWERING AGENTS	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
atorvastatin tablet (generic for Lipitor [®])	Altoprev [®] Tablet
ezetimibe (generic for Zetia [®])	amlodipine-atorvastatin tablet (generic for Caduet [®])
lovastatin tablet (generic for Mevacor [®])	Caduet [®] Tablet
pravastatin tablet (generic for Pravachol [®])	Crestor [®] Tablet
rosuvastatin tablet (generic for Crestor [®])	ezetimibe-simvastatin (generic for Vytorin [®])
simvastatin tablet (generic for Zocor [®])	fluvastatin capsule / ER tablet (generic for Lescol [®] / XL)
	Lescol [®] Capsule / XL Tablet
	Lipitor [®] Tablet
	Livalo [®] Tablet
	Pravachol [®] Tablet
	Vytorin [®] Tablet
	Zetia [®] Tablet
	Zocor [®] Tablet
	Zypitamag [™] Tablet
	Juxtapid [®] Capsule - Clinical criteria apply
	Kynamro [®] Syringe - Clinical criteria apply
CORONARY VASODILATORS	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
isosorbide dinitrate tablet / ER tablet (generic for Isordil [®] Titrados [®] , IsoDitrate [®] , et.al.)	Dilatrate [®] SR Capsule
isosorbide mononitrate tablet / ER tablet (generic for Ismo [®] , Monoket [®] , Imdur [®])	Gonitro [®] Sublingual Powder
Minitran [®] Patch	Isordil [®] Tablet / Titrados [®] Tablet
nitroglycerin ER capsule / patch / spray / sublingual (generic for Nitro-Dur [®] , Minitran [®] , Nitrostat [®] , Nitrolingual [®] , Nitromist [®])	Nitro-Bid [®] Ointment
Nitrostat [®] SL Tablet	Nitro-Dur [®] Patch
	Nitrolingual [®] Spray
	Nitromist [®] Spray

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DIHYDROPYRIDINE CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKERS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Afedintab CR [®] Tablet (branded generic for Adalat CC [®])	Adalat [®] CC Tablet
amlodipine tablet (generic for Norvasc [®])	felodipine ER tablet (generic for Plendil [®])
Nifedical [®] XL Tablet (branded generic for Procardia XL [®])	isradipine capsule (generic for Dynacirc [®])
nifedipine capsule (generic for Procardia [®])	nicardipine capsule (generic for Cardene [®])
nifedipine ER tablet (generic for Adalat CC [®] / Procardia XL [®])	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	Opsumit [®] Tablet
Tracleer [®] Tablet	Tracleer [®] Suspension

INHALED PROSTACYCLIN ANALOGS

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

NIACIN DERIVATIVES

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

NITRATE COMBINATION

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Bidil [®] Tablet	

NON-DIHYDROPYRIDINE CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKERS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Calan [®] Tablet	Calan SR [®] Caplet
Cartia XT [®] Capsule (branded generic for Cardizem CD [®])	Cardizem CD [®] Capsule
Dilt XR [®] Capsule (branded generic for Dilacor XR [®])	Cardizem [®] Tablet / LA Tablet
diltiazem ER 24 hour capsule (generic for Dilacor XR [®] , Tiazac [®])	diltiazem LA tablet (generic for Cardizem LA [®])
diltiazem tablet / CD capsule / ER 12 hour capsule (generic for Cardizem [®] / CD / SR)	Matzim [®] LA Tablet (generic for Cardizem LA [®])
Taztia XT [®] Capsule (branded generic for Tiazac [®])	Tiazac [®] Capsule
verapamil tablet / ER tablet (generic for Calan [®] / SR)	verapamil 360 mg capsule
	verapamil ER capsule / PM capsule (generic for Verelan [®] / 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®

Trial and failure of only one preferred drug required

Preferred	Non-Preferred
sildenafil (generic for Revatio®) Tablet	Adcirca® Tablet
	Adempas® Tablet
	Orenitram® ER Tablet
	Revatio® Suspension / Tablet
	Uptravi® Tablet

PLATELET INHIBITORS

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

ANTIANGINAL & ANTI-ISCHEMIC

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Ranexa® Tablet	

SYMPATHOLYTICS AND COMBINATIONS

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

TRIGLYCERIDE LOWERING AGENTS

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

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CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM

ANTIMIGRAINE AGENTS

Quantity limits apply to all triptans

Preferred	Non-Preferred
rizatriptan ODT (generic for Maxalt MLT [®])	almotriptan tablet (generic for Axert [®])
rizatriptan tablet (generic for Maxalt [®])	Alsuma [®] Auto-Injection
sumatriptan nasal spray / tablet / vial (generic for Imitrex [®])	Amerge [®] Tablet
	Axert [®] Tablet
	Cambia [®] Powder Packet
	eletriptan (generic for Relpax [®] Tablet)
	frovatriptan tablet (generic for Frova [®])
	Frova [®] Tablet
	Imitrex [®] Cartridge / Nasal Spray / Pen / Tablet / Vial
	Maxalt [®] Tablet / MLT Tablet
	Migranow [®] Kit
	naratriptan tablet (generic for Amerge [®])
	Onzetra [™] Xsail [™] Nasal Powder
	Relpax [®] Tablet
	sumatriptan injection kit / refill / syringe (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 / ZMI [®] Tablet

ANTI-NARCOLEPSY

Clinical criteria apply to all drugs in this class

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Nuvigil [®] Tablet	armodafinil tablet (generic for Nuvigil [®])
Provigil [®] Tablet	modafinil tablet (generic for Provigil [®])

ANTIPARKINSON AND RESTLESS LEG SYNDROME AGENTS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
amantadine capsule / solution (generic for Symmetrel [®])	Azilect [®] Tablet
benztropine tablet (generic for Cogentin [®])	carbidopa tablet (generic for Lodosyn [®])
bromocriptine tablet (generic for Parlodel [®])	carbidopa-levodopa-entacapone tablet (generic for Stalevo [®])
carbidopa-levodopa ODT (generic for Parcopa [®])	Comtan [®] Tablet
carbidopa-levodopa tablet / ER tablet (generic for Sinemet [®] / CR)	Duopa [®] Suspension
pramipexole tablet (generic for Mirapex [®])	entacapone tablet (generic for Comtan [®])
ropinirole tablet (generic for Requip [®])	Gocovri [®] Capsule - Clinical criteria apply
selegiline capsule / tablet (generic for Emsam [®])	Horizant [®] Tablet
trihexyphenidyl elixir / tablet (generic for Artane [®])	Lodosyn [®] Tablet
	Mirapex [®] Tablet / ER Tablet
	Neupro [®] Patch
	Parlodel [®] Capsule / Tablet
	pramipexole ER tablet (generic for Mirapex ER [®])
	rasagiline tablet (generic for Azilect [®])
	Requip [®] Tablet / XL Tablet
	ropinirole ER tablet (generic for Requip XL [®])
	Rytary [®] ER Capsule
	Sinemet [®] Tablet / CR Tablet
	Stalevo [®] Tablet
	Tasmar [®] Tablet
	tolcapone tablet (generic for Tasmar [®])
	Xadago [®] Tablet
	Zelapar [®] ODT

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MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Avonex [®] Pack / Pen / Syringe	Ampyra [®] Tablet
Betaseron [®] Kit / Vial	Aubagio [®] Tablet
Copaxone [®] Syringe	Extavia [®] Kit / Vial
Gilenya [®] Capsule	glatiramer syringe (generic for Copaxone [®] Syringe)
Rebif [®] Ribidose [®] / Titration Pack / Syringe	Glatopa [®] Syringe
Tecfidera [®] Capsule / Starter Pack	Lemtrada [®] Vial
	Ocrevus [®] Vial
	Plegridy [®] Pen / Pen Starter Pack / Syringe / Syringe Starter Pack

SEDATIVE HYPNOTICS

Quantity limits apply to all sedative hypnotics

Preferred	Non-Preferred
flurazepam capsule (generic for Dalmane [®])	Ambien [®] Tablet / CR Tablet
temazepam 15mg, 30mg capsule (generic for Restoril [®])	Belsomra [®] Tablet
zolpidem tablet (generic for Ambien [®])	Eduar [®] 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

SMOKING CESSATION

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

ENDOCRINOLOGY

GROWTH HORMONE

Clinical criteria apply to all drugs in this class

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Genotropin [®] Cartridge / MiniQuick [®]	Humatrope [®] Cartridge / Vial
Norditropin [®] Flexpro [®] / Nordiflex [®]	Nutropin [®] AQ Pen / NuSpin [®]
Serostim [®] Vial	Omnitrope [®] Cartridge / Vial
	Saizen [®] Click-Easy [®] Cartridge / Vial
	Tev-Tropin [®] Vial
	Zomacton [®] Vial
	Zorbtive [®] Vial

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HYPOGLYCEMICS - INJECTABLE	
Rapid Acting Insulin	
Trial and failure of only one preferred drug required	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
Humalog [®] Kwikpen [®] / Vial	Admelog [®] Solostar / Injection
Novolog [®] Cartridge / FlexPen [®] / Vial	Afrezza [®] Inhalation Powder
	Apidra [®] Solostar / Vial
	Fiasp [®] FlexTouch [®] / Vial
	Humalog [®] Cartridge
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 [®] N Vial
Long Acting Insulin	
Trial and failure of only one preferred drug required	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
Lantus [®] SoloStar [®] / Vial	Basaglar [®] KwikPen [®]
Levemir [®] FlexTouch [®] / FlexPen [®] / Vial	Toujeo [®] SoloStar [®]
	Tresiba [®] FlexTouch [®]
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 [®] 70/30 Vial
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	Non-Preferred
Symlin [®] Pen Injector	
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	Non-Preferred
	Continuation of therapy requires documentation that clinical goals have been met
Bydureon [®] Pen / Vial	Adlyxin [®] Injection
Byetta [®] Pen	Ozempic [®] Injection
Victoza [®] Pen	Soliqua [®] Injection
	Tanzeum [®] Pen Injector
	Trulicity [®] Pen
	Xultophy [®] Injection

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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 [®])	miglitol tablet (generic for Glyset [®])
Glyset [®] Tablet	Precose [®] Tablet
Biguanides and Combinations	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
glipizide-metformin tablet (generic for Metaglip [®])	Fortamet [®] Tablet
glyburide-metformin tablet (generic for Glucovance [®])	Glucophage [®] Tablet / ER Tablet
metformin tablet / ER tablet (generic for Glucophage [®] / ER)	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 or Combination	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
Glyxambi [®] Tablet	alogliptin tablet (generic for Nesina [®])
Janumet [®] Tablet	alogliptin-metformin tablet (generic for Kazano [®])
Janumet [®] XR Tablet	alogliptin-pioglitazone tablet (generic for Oseni [®])
Januvia [®] Tablet	Jentadueto [®] XR Tablet
Jentadueto [®] Tablet	Kazano [®] Tablet
Tradjenta [®] Tablet	Kombiglyze [®] XR Tablet
	Nesina [®] Tablet
	Onglyza [®] Tablet
	Oseni [®] Tablet
	Qtern [®] Tablet
	Steglujan [®] Tablet
Meglitinides	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
nateglinide tablet (generic for Starlix [®])	Prandin [®] Tablet
repaglinide tablet (generic for Prandin [®])	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	Invokamet [®] Tablet / XR Tablet
Jardiance [®] Tablet	Invokana [®] Tablet

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

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
	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
Diclegis® Tablet	Akynzeo® Capsule
dimenhydrinate vial (generic for Dramamine®)	Anzemet® Tablet / Vial
meclizine tablet (generic for Antivert®)	Bonjesta® Tablet
metoclopramide / solution / tablet (generic for Reglan®)	Cesamet® Capsule
ondansetron ODT / solution / tablet (generic for Zofran®)	Cinvanti® Injectable Emulsion
prochlorperazine tablet (generic for Compazine®)	dronabinol capsule (generic for Marinol®)
promethazine 25mg rectal (generic for Phenergan®)	granisetron tablets (generic for Kytril®)
promethazine syrup / tablet (generic for Phenergan®)	Marinol® Capsule
Transderm-Scop® Patch	metoclopramide ODT (generic for Metozolv®)
	metoclopramide ODT (generic for Reglan®)
	Metozolv® ODT
	palonosetron injection (generic for Aloxi®)
	promethazine 50 mg rectal (generic for Phenergan®)
	prochlorperazine rectal (generic for Compazine®)
	Reglan® Tablet
	Sancuso® Patch
	scopolamine patch (generic for Transderm-Scop®)
	Sustol® Injection
	Syndros® Solution
	trimethobenzamide capsule (generic for Tigan®)
	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® Capsule - Clinical criteria apply	Emend® Trifold Pack - Clinical criteria apply

BILE ACID SALTS

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

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BILE ACID SALTS (continued)	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
	Urso [®] Tablet / Urso [®] Forte Tablet
	ursodiol capsule (generic for Actigall [®])
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 [®])	cimetidine solution / tablet (generic for Tagamet [®])
ranitidine capsule / syrup / tablet (generic for Zantac [®])	nizatidine capsule / solution (generic for Axid [®])
	Pepcid [®] Tablet / Suspension
	Zantac [®] Tablet
PANCREATIC ENZYMES	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
Creon [®] Capsule	Pancreaze [®] Capsule
pancrelipase capsule (generic for Pancrease [®])	Pertzye [®] Capsule
Zenpep [®] 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
	Exemption for children < 12 years of age
esomeprazole magnesium capsule (generic for Nexium [®] Rx)	Aciphex [®] Sprinkle Capsules / Tablets
esomeprazole magnesium capsule OTC (generic for Nexium [®] OTC)	Dexilant [®] Capsule
Nexium [®] Rx Packet	esomeprazole strontium
omeprazole Rx capsule (generic for Prilosec [®] Rx)	Esomep EZS [®] Kit
pantoprazole tablet (generic for Protonix [®])	lansoprazole capsule (generic for Prevacid [®] Rx / OTC)
Protonix [®] Suspension	Nexium [®] Rx Capsule /Nexium [®] OTC 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
	rabeprazole tablet (generic for Aciphex [®])
	Zegerid [®] RX / Capsule / Packet
SELECTIVE CONSTIPATION AGENTS	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
Amitiza [®] Capsule	alosetron tablet (generic for Lotronex [®] Tablet)
Linzess [®] Capsule	Lotronex [®] Tablet
Movantik [®] Tablet	Relistor [®] Syringe / Vial / Oral Tablet
	Symproic [®] Tablet
	Trulance [®]
	Viberzi [®] Tablet - Exemption for Irritable Bowel Syndrome with Diarrhea (IBS-D)

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ULCERATIVE COLITIS

Oral

Preferred

Non-Preferred

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

ULCERATIVE COLITIS

Rectal

Trial and failure of only one preferred drug required

Preferred

Non-Preferred

Canasa [®] Suppository	mesalamine kit (generic for Rowasa [®] Kit)
mesalamine enema (generic for Rowasa [®] Enema)	Rowasa [®] Kit
	SF Rowasa [®] Enema
	Uceris [®] Rectal Foam

BENIGN PROSTATIC HYPERPLASIA TREATMENTS

Preferred

Non-Preferred

alfuzosin ER tablet (generic for Uroxatral [®])	Avodart [®] Softgel
doxazosin tablet (generic for Cardura [®])	Cardura [®] Tablet / XL Tablet
dutasteride capsule (generic Avodart [®])	dutasteride/ tamsulosin capsule (generic Jalyn capsule [®])
finasteride tablet (generic for Proscar [®])	Flomax [®] Capsule
tamsulosin capsule (generic for Flomax [®])	Jalyn [®] Capsule
terazosin capsule (generic for Hytrin [®])	Proscar [®] Tablet
	Rapaflo [®] Capsule
	Uroxatral [®] Tablet
	Cialis [®] Tablet - Clinical criteria apply

ELECTROLYTE DEPLETERS

Preferred

Non-Preferred

calcium acetate capsule (generic for PhosLo [®])	Auryxia [®] Tablet
calcium acetate tablet (generic for Eliphos [®])	Eliphos [®] Tablet
Renagel [®] Tablet	Fosrenol [®] Chewable
Renvela [®] Powder Pack	Fosrenol [®] Powder Pack
	MagneBind [®] 400 Rx Tablet
	PhosLo [®] Gelcap / Solution
	Phoslyra [®] Solution
	Renvela [®] Tablet
	sevelamer tablet / powder pack (generic for Renvela [®])
	Velphoro [®] Chewable

GENITOURINARY/RENAL

URINARY ANTISPASMODICS

Preferred

Non-Preferred

oxybutynin syrup / tablet (generic for Ditropan [®])	darifenacin ER tablet (generic for Enablex [®])
oxybutynin ER tablet (generic for Ditropan XL [®])	Detrol [®] Tablet / LA Capsule
Toviaz [®] Tablet	Ditropan [®] XL Tablet
Vesicare [®] Tablet	Enablex [®] Tablet
	flavoxate tablet (generic for Urispas [®])
	Gelnique [®] Gel / Gel Sachets

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URINARY ANTISPASMODICS (continued)

Preferred	Non-Preferred
	Myrbetriq [®] Tablet
	Oxytrol [®] Patch
	tolerodine tablet / ER capsule(generic for Detrol [®] / LA)
	tropium tablet / ER capsule (generic for Sanctura [®] / XR)

GOUT

Preferred	Non-Preferred
allopurinol tablet (generic for Zyloprim [®])	colchicine tablet (generic for Colcrys [®])
Mitigare [®] Capsule	colchicine capsule (generic for Mitigare [®])
probenecid tablet(generic for Benemid [®])	Colcrys [®] Tablet
probenecid-colchicine tablet (generic for Col-Benemid [®])	Duzallo [®] Tablet
	Krystexxa [®] Injection
	Uloric [®] Tablet
	Zyloprim [®] Tablet
	Zurampic [®] Tablet

**HEMATOLOGIC
ANTICOAGULANTS**

Injectable

Preferred	Non-Preferred
enoxaparin syringe (generic for Lovenox [®])	Arixtra [®] Syringe
Fragmin [®] Syringe / Vial	enoxaparin vial (generic for Lovenox [®])
Lovenox [®] Vial	fondaparinux syringe (generic for Arixtra [®])
	Lovenox [®] Syringe

Oral

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Eliquis [®] Tablet and Starter Dose Pack	Coumadin [®] Tablet
Jantoven [®] (branded generic for Coumadin [®])	Savaysa [®] Tablet
Pradaxa [®] Capsule	
warfarin tablet (generic for Coumadin [®])	
Xarelto [®] Starter Pack / Tablet	

COLONY STIMULATING FACTORS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Granix [®] Injection	
Leukine [®] Injection	
Neulasta [®] Syringe / Kit	
Neupogen [®] Vial / Syringe	
Zarxio [®] Injection	

HEMATOPOIETIC AGENTS

Clinical criteria apply to all drugs in this class

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Aranesp [®] Syringe / Vial	Epogen [®] Vial
Procrit [®] Vial	Mircera [®] Syringe

THROMBOPOIESIS STIMULATING AGENTS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Nplate [®] Vial	
Promacta [®] Tablet	

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OPHTHALMIC	
ALLERGIC CONJUNCTIVITIS AGENTS	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
cromolyn sodium drops (generic for Cromol [®])	Alocril [®] Drops
Pataday [®] Drops	Alomide [®] Drops
Pazeo [®] Drops	Alrex [®] Drops
	azelastine drops (generic for Optivar [®])
	Bepreve [®] Drops
	Elestat [®] Drops
	Emadine [®] Drops
	epinastine drops (generic for Elestat [®])
	Lastacaft [®] Drops
	olopatadine drops (generic for Pataday [®])
	olopatadine drops (generic for Patanol [®])
	Optivar [®] Drops
	Patanol [®] Drops
ANTIBIOTICS	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
AK-Poly-Bac [®] Ointment (branded generic for Polysporin [®])	bacitracin ointment (generic for AK-Tracin [®])
Azasite [®] Drops	Besivance [®] Suspension
bacitracin-polymyxin ointment (generic for Polysporin [®])	Bleph-10 [®] Drops
ciprofloxacin solution drops (generic for Ciloxan [®])	Ciloxan [®] Drops / Ointment
erythromycin ointment (generic for Ilotycin [®])	Garamycin [®] Drops
Gentak [®] Ointment (branded generic for Garamycin [®])	gatifloxacin drops (generic for Zymaxid [®])
gentamicin drops / ointment (generic for Garamycin [®])	Ilotycin [®] Ointment
Moxeza [®] Drops	levofloxacin drops (generic for Quixin [®])
Neo-Polycin [®] Ointment (branded generic for Neosporin [®] Ophthalmic Ointment)	moxifloxacin ophthalmic solution (generic for Vigamox [®] Drops)
ofloxacin drops (generic for Ocuflax [®])	Natacyn [®] Drops
Polycin [®] Ointment (branded generic for Polysporin [®])	Neosporin [®] Drops
polymyxin-trimethoprim drops (generic for Polytrim [®])	neomycin-bacitracin-polymyxin ointment (generic for Neosporin [®] Ophthalmic Ointment)
sulfacetamide drops (generic for Bleph-10 [®])	neomycin-polymyxin-gramicidin drops (generic for Neosporin [®] Ophthalmic Drops)
tobramycin drops (generic for Tobrex [®])	Ocuflax [®] Drops
Vigamox [®] Drops	Polytrim [®] Drops
	sulfacetamide ointment (generic for Cetamide [®])
	Tobrex [®] Ointment/ Drops
	Zymaxid [®] Drops
ANTIBIOTICS-STEROID COMBINATIONS	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
neomycin-polymyxin-dexamethasone drops / ointment (generic for Maxitrol [®])	Blephamide [®] Drops / S.O.P. Ointment
Tobradex [®] Drops / 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 Ocetricin [®])
	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
ANTI-INFLAMMATORY	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
dexamethasone drops (generic for Decadron [®])	Acular [®] Drops / LS Solution
diclofenac drops (generic for Voltaren [®])	Acuvail [®] Solution

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ANTI-INFLAMMATORY (continued)	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
Durezol® Drops	bromfenac drops (generic for Xibrom®)
Flarex® Drops	FML® Forte Drops / S.O.P. Ointment
fluorometholone drops (generic for FML®)	FML® Liquifilm® Drops
flurbiprofen drops (generic for Ocufen®)	Iluvien® Implant
Ilevro® Drops	Lotemax® Gel / Ointment
ketorolac solution (generic for Acular® / LS)	Maxidex® Drops
Lotemax® Drops	Nevanac® Droptainer
Pred Mild® Drops	Ocufen® Drops
prednisolone acetate drops (generic for Pred Forte®)	Omnipred® Drops
	Ozurdex® Implant
	Pred Forte® Drops
	prednisolone sodium phosphate drops (generic for Inflammase Forte®)
	Prolensa® Drops
	Retisert® Implant
	Triesence® Vial
	Vexol® Drops
ANTI-INFLAMMATORY/IMMUNOMODULATOR	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
Restasis®	Xiidra®
Restasis® Multidose™	
ALPHA 2 ADRENERGIC AGENTS	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
Alphagan® P Drops	apraclonidine drops (generic for Iopidine®)
brimonidine drops (generic for Alphagan®)	brimonidine P drops (generic for Alphagan® P)
	Iopidine® Drops
BETA BLOCKER AGENTS / COMBINATIONS	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
	betaxolol drops (generic for Betoptic®)
Combigan® Drops	Betagan® Drops
timolol drops / GFS gel-solution (generic for Timoptic® / Timoptic XE®)	Betimol® Drops
	Betoptic® S Drops
	carteolol drops (generic for Ocupress®)
	Istalol® Drops
	levobunolol drops (generic for Betagan®)
	metipranolol drops (generic for OptiPranolol®)
	timolol drop (generic for Istalol® Drops)
	Timoptic® Drops / Ocudose® Drops / XE® Solution
CARBONIC ANHYDRASE INHIBITORS / COMBINATIONS	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
dorzolamide drops (generic for Trusopt®)	Azopt® Drops
dorzolamide-timolol drops (generic for Cosopt®)	Cosopt® Drops / PF Drops
Simbrinza® Drops	Trusopt® Drops
PROSTAGLANDIN AGONISTS	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
latanoprost drops (generic for Xalatan®)	bimatoprost (generic for Lumigan® Drops)
Travatan® Z Drops	Lumigan® Drops
	travoprost drops (generic for Travatan®)
	Vyzulta® Drops
	Xalatan® Drops
	Zioptan® Drops

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OSTEOPOROSIS

BONE RESORPTION SUPPRESSION AND RELATED AGENTS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
alendronate tablet (generic for Fosamax [®])	Actonel [®] Tablet
Fortical [®] Nasal Spray	alendronate solution (generic for Fosamax [®] Solution)
raloxifene tablet (generic for Evista [®])	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 [®])
	Tymlos [®] Injection

OTIC

ANTIBIOTICS

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

ANTI-INFECTIVES AND ANESTHETICS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
acetic acid solution (generic for Vosol [®])	Acetasol HC [®] Drops (branded generic for Vosol [®] HC)
acetic acid-aluminum drops (generic for Domeboro [®])	acetic acid-hydrocortisone solution (generic for Vosol [®] HC)
antipyrine-benzocaine drops (generic for Auralgan [®])	Otic Care [®] Solution
Auroguard [®] Solution (branded generic for Auralgan [®])	Oto-End 10 [®] Drops
	Otozin [®] Ear Drops
	Pinnacaine [®] Otic Drops

ANTI-INFLAMMATORY

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Dermotic [®] Oil	fluocinolone 0.01% oil (generic for Dermotic [®])

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	Proair [®] RespiClick [®]
Proventil [®] HFA Inhaler	Ventolin [®] HFA Inhaler
	Xopenex [®] HFA Inhaler

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BETA-ADRENERGIC, NEBULIZERS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
albuterol 0.63mg/3ml solution (generic for Accuneb®)	Brovana® Solution
albuterol 1.25mg/3ml solution (generic for Accuneb®)	levalbuterol solution / concentrate solution (generic for Xopenex® / Concentrate)
albuterol sulfate 2.5mg/0.5ml solution	Perforomist® Solution
albuterol sulfate 2.5mg/3ml solution	Xopenex® Solution / Concentrate Solution
albuterol sulfate 5mg/ml solution	

BETA-ADRENERGIC, ORAL

Preferred	Non-Preferred
albuterol syrup (generic for Ventolin® Syrup)	albuterol tablets (generic for Proventil® Repetabs)
metaproterenol syrup (generic for Alupent® Syrup)	albuterol ER tablets (generic for VoSpire® ER)
terbutaline tablet (generic for Brethine®)	metaproterenol tablet (generic for Alupent® Tablet)
	VoSpire® ER Tablet

ORALLY INHALED ANTICHOLINERGICS

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

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Atrovent® HFA Inhaler	Anoro® Ellipta® Inhaler
Bevespi® Aerosphere®	Daliresp® Tablet
Combivent® Respimat® Inhalation Spray	Incruse® Ellipta® Inhaler
ipratropium nebulizer solution (generic for Atrovent® Nebulizer Solution)	Lonhala® Magnair®
ipratropium-albuterol solution (generic for Duoneb®)	Seebri® Neohaler®
Spiriva® Handihaler®	Spiriva® Respimat® Inhalation Spray 2.5mcg
Stiolto® Respimat® Inhalation Spray	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

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Flovent® HFA Inhaler	Aerospan® Inhaler
Pulmicort® Respules 0.25mg, 0.5mg, 1mg	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 COMBINATIONS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Advair® Diskus®	Advair® HFA Inhaler
Dulera® Inhaler	Breo® Ellipta®
Symbicort® Inhaler	AirDuo® RespiClick®
	fluticasone/salmeterol (generic for AirDuo®)
	Trelegy® Ellipta®

INTRANASAL RHINITIS AGENTS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Astepro® Nasal Spray	Exemption for steroids applies to children < 4 years of age
azelastine spray (generic for Astelin®)	azelastine spray (generic for Astepro®)

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Preferred	Non-Preferred
fluticasone spray (generic for Flonase [®])	Astelin [®] Nasal Spray
ipratropium spray (generic for Atrovent [®] Nasal)	Atrovent [®] Nasal Spray
olopatadine nasal spray (generic for Patanase [®])	Beconase [®] AQ spray
	budesonide nasal spray (generic for Rhinocort [®] Aqua)
	Dymista [®] Nasal Spray
	Flonase [®] Nasal Spray (Rx ONLY)
	flunisolide spray (generic for Nasalide [®])
	mometasone nasal spray (generic for Nasonex [®])
	Nasonex [®] Nasal Spray
	Omnaris [®] Nasal Spray
	Patanase [®] Nasal Spray
	QNasi [®] Nasal Spray / Children's Spray
	Rhinocort [®] Aqua Nasal Spray
	Ticanase [®] Nasal Spray Kit
	triamcinolone nasal spray (generic for Nasacort [®] AQ)
	Veramyst [®] Nasal Spray
	Xhance [™] Nasal Spray
	Zetonna [®] Nasal Spray

LEUKOTRIENE MODIFIERS

Trial and failure of only one preferred drug required

Preferred	Non-Preferred
montelukast chewable / tablet (generic for Singulair [®])	Accolate [®] Tablet
	montelukast granules (generic for Singulair [®])
	Singulair [®] Chewable / Granules / Tablet
	zafirlukast tablet (generic for Accolate [®])
	zileuton tablet (generic for Zylflo [®])
	Zyflo [®] CR Tablet / Filmstab

LOW SEDATING ANTIHISTAMINES

Preferred	Non-Preferred
cetirizine tablets OTC (generic for Zyrtec [®] OTC Tablets)	cetirizine chewable tablet OTC (generic for Zyrtec [®] OTC Tablets)
cetirizine OTC syrup 1mg/1ml (generic for Zyrtec [®] OTC Syrup)	cetirizine OTC syrup 5mg/5ml (generic for Zyrtec [®] OTC Syrup)
cetirizine Rx syrup (generic for Zyrtec [®] Syrup)	Clarinet [®] Syrup / Tablet - Exemption for children < 2 years of age
levocetirizine Rx tablet (generic for Xyzal [®] Rx Tablet)	Claritin [®] Tablet
loratadine tablet OTC (generic for Claritin [®] OTC)	desloratadine ODT / Tablet (generic for Clarinet [®])
	fexofenadine 60 mg, 180 mg Rx tablet (generic for Allegra [®] Rx)
	fexofenadine OTC suspension / OTC tablet (generic for Allegra [®] OTC)
	levocetirizine Rx solution (generic for Xyzal [®] Rx Solution)
	loratadine OTC ODT / solution / soft gel (generic for Claritin [®] OTC)
	Xyzal [®] Solution / Tablet

LOW SEDATING ANTIHISTAMINE COMBINATIONS

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

Preferred	Non-Preferred
loratadine-D OTC tablet (generic for Claritin-D [®] OTC)	cetirizine-D OTC tablet (generic for Zyrtec-D [®] OTC)
	Clarinet-D [®] Tablet
	fexofenadine-D 12 Hour OTC Tablet (generic for Allegra-D [®] 12 Hour OTC)
	Semprex-D [®] Capsule

TOPICALS

ACNE AGENTS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
	Acanya [®] Gel Pump
Azelex [®] Cream	Acne Clearing System

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Preferred	Non-Preferred
clindamycin-benzoyl peroxide gel (generic for Benzaclicin [®])	Aczone [®] Gel
clindamycin-benzoyl peroxide gel (generic for Duac [®])	adapalene cream / gel / gel pump (generic for Differin [®])
clindamycin-benzoyl peroxide with pump (generic for Benzaclicin [®])	adapalene / benzoyl peroxide (generic for Epiduo [®] Gel)
clindamycin phosphate pledgets / solution (generic for Cleocin-T [®])	Atralin [®] Gel
Differin [®] Cream / Gel / Gel Pump / Lotion	Avar [®] Cleanser / Cleansing Pads / LS Cleanser / LS Cleansing Pads
Epiduo [®] Gel	Avar-E [®] Emollient Cream / Green Emollient Cream / LS Cream
erythromycin solution (generic for Emcin [®] , EryDerm [®] , EryMax [®] , A/T/S [®] , T-Stat [®])	Avita [®] Cream / Gel
Retin-A [®] Cream / Gel	Benzaclicin [®] Gel / Pump
	Benzamycin [®] Gel / Pak Gel
	Benzefoam [™] Ultra
	Benzebro [®] Creamy Wash / Emollient Foam / Foam / Foaming Cloths
	benzoyl peroxide cleanser / wash / foam / gel / kit / towelette (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 Neuac [®])
	clindamycin / tretinoin (generic for Veltin [®])
	dapsone gel (generic for Aczone [®] Gel)
	Duac [®] Gel
	Epiduo [®] Forte
	Ery [®] Pads
	Erygel [®] Gel
	erythromycin gel / pledgets (generic for Emcin [®] , Erycette [®] , EryDerm [®] , EryGel [®] , EryMax [®])
	erythromycin-benzoyl peroxide gel (generic for Benzamycin [®])
	Evoclin [®] Foam
	Fabior [®] Foam
	Inova [®] (4/1, 8/2) Pad
	Klaron [®] Lotion
	Neuac [®] 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 Sumaxin [®])
	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 (generic for Tazorac [®])
	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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Preferred	Non-Preferred
	Virti-Sulf [®] Emollient Cream
	Ziana [®] Gel
ANDROGENIC AGENTS	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
AndroGel [®] Pump	Androderm [®] Patch
	AndroGel [®] Packet
	Axiron [®] Topical Gel / Solution
	Fortesta [®] Gel Pump
	Natesto [®] Nasal
	Testim [®] Gel
	testosterone gel (generic for Testim [®] , Vogelxo [®])
	testosterone gel packet / pump (generic for AndroGel [®] , Vogelxo [®])
	testosterone gel / solution pump (generic for Axiron [®] Topical Solution)
	testosterone gel pump (generic for Fortesta [®])
	Vogelxo [®] Gel / Gel Packet / Gel Pump
NSAIDS	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
Voltaren Gel [®]	diclofenac solution (generic for Pennsaid [®])
	diclofenac topical gel (generic for Voltaren [®] Gel)
	Flector [®] Patch
	Klofensaid [®] II Solution
	Pennsaid [®] Pump / Solution
	Pennsaid [®] Packet
	Vopac [®] MDS Spray
	Xrylix [®] Solution
ANTIBIOTIC	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
Bactroban [®] Cream	Altabax [®] Ointment
gentamicin cream / ointment (generic for Garamycin [®])	Bactroban [®] Ointment / Nasal Ointment
mupirocin ointment (generic for Bactroban [®] Ointment)	Centany [®] AT Ointment Kit / Ointment
	mupirocin cream (generic for Bactroban [®] Cream)
ANTIBIOTIC - VAGINAL	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
Cleocin [®] Vaginal Ovules	Cleocin [®] Vaginal Cream
Clindesse [®] Vaginal Cream	clindamycin vaginal cream (generic for Cleocin [®] Vaginal Cream)
metronidazole vaginal gel (generic for Metrogel [®] Vaginal Gel)	Metrogel [®] Vaginal Gel
Vandazole [®] Vaginal Gel	Nuversa [®] Vaginal Gel
ANTIFUNGAL	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
ciclopirox cream (generic for Loprox [®] Cream)	Bensal HP [®] Ointment
ciclopirox solution (generic for Penlac [®] Solution)	Ciclodan [®] Cream / Cream Kit / Kit / Solution
clotrimazole Rx cream (generic for Lotrimin [®] Rx)	ciclopirox gel / shampoo / suspension (generic for Loprox [®])
clotrimazole-betamethasone cream (generic for Lotrisone [®] cream)	ciclopirox treatment kit (generic for Ciclodan [®] Kit)
ketoconazole cream / shampoo (generic for Nizoral [®])	clotrimazole-betamethasone lotion (generic for Lotrisone [®] lotion)
Nyamyc [®] Powder (branded generic for Nystop [®])	clotrimazole Rx solution (generic for Lotrimin [®] Rx)
nystatin cream / ointment / powder (generic for Mycostatin [®] , Nystop [®])	CNL [®] 8 Nail Kit
Nystop [®] Powder	Dermacin [®] Rx Therazole PAK [®]
	econazole cream (generic for Spectazole [®])
	Ertaczo [®] Cream
	Exelderm [®] Cream / Solution

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ANTIFUNGAL (continued)

Preferred	Non-Preferred
	Extina [®] Foam
	Jublia [®] Topical Solution
	Kerydin [®] Topical Solution
	ketoconazole foam (generic for Extina [®] Foam)
	Loprox [®] suspension / cream / kit
	Loprox [®] Shampoo
	Lotrisone [®] Cream
	Luzu [®] Cream
	Mentax [®] Cream
	naftifine cream / gel (generic for Naftin [®] Cream / Gel)
	Naftin [®] Cream / Gel
	Nizoral [®] Rx Shampoo
	nystatin-triamcinolone cream / ointment (generic for Mycolog II [®])
	oxiconazole cream (generic for Oxistat [®])
	Oxistat [®] Cream / Lotion
	Pediaderm [®] AF Kit
	Penlac [®] Solution
	Vusion [®] Ointment - Clinical criteria apply
	Xolegel [®] Gel

ANTIPARASITICS
Trial and failure of only one preferred drug required

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Natroba [®] Topical Suspension	Elimite [®] Cream
permethrin cream (generic for Elimite [®])	Eurax [®] Cream / Lotion
Sklice [®] Lotion	lindane lotion / shampoo
	malathion lotion (generic for Ovide [®])
	Ovide [®] Lotion
	spinosad topical suspension (generic for Natroba [®])
	Ulesfia [®]

ANTIVIRAL

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

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IMMUNOMODULATORS

Atopic Dermatitis

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Preferred

Non-Preferred

Elidel[®] Cream

Protopic[®] Ointment

Eucrisa[®] 2% Ointment

tacrolimus ointment (generic Protopic[®])

Dupixent[®] Injection

Imidazoquinolinamines

Preferred

Non-Preferred

imiquimod cream packet (generic for Aldara[®])

Aldara[®] Cream

Zyclara[®] Cream / Cream Pump

PSORIASIS

Preferred

Non-Preferred

Dovonex[®] Cream

calcipotriene-betamethasone ointment (generic for Talconex[®])

calcipotriene cream / ointment / solution (generic for Dovonex[®])

Calcitrene[®] Ointment (branded generic for Dovonex[®])

PSORIASIS (continued)

Preferred

Non-Preferred

calcitriol ointment (generic for Vectical[®])

Enstilar[®] Foam

Sorilux[®] Foam

Taclonex[®] Ointment / Suspension

Vectical[®] Ointment

ROSACEA AGENTS

Preferred

Non-Preferred

MetroCream[®]

Finacea[®] Gel

MetroGel[®]

metronidazole cream (generic for MetroCream[®])

MetroLotion[®]

metronidazole gel (generic for MetroGel[®])

metronidazole lotion (generic for MetroLotion[®])

Mirvaso[®] Gel

Noritate[®] Cream

Rhofade[®] Cream

Rosadan[®] Cream / Gel / Kit

Soolantra[®] Cream

STEROIDS

Low Potency

Preferred

Non-Preferred

DermaSmothe[®] FS Scalp and Body Oil

alclometasone dipropionate cream / ointment (generic for Aclovate[®])

hydrocortisone cream / gel/ lotion / ointment (generic for Hytone[®])

Aqua Glycolic[®] HC Kit

hydrocortisone in Absorbase[®]

Capex[®] Shampoo

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

fluocinolone body / scalp oil (generic for DermaSmothe[®] FS Scalp / Body Oil)

Micort[®] HC Cream

Pediaderm[®] HC Kit / TA Kit

Texacort[®] Solution

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Medium Potency	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
fluticasone cream / ointment (generic for Cutivate [®])	clocortolone cream / pump (generic for Cloderm [®])
mometasone cream / ointment / solution (generic for Elocon [®])	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

STEROIDS (Continued)	
High Potency	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
betamethasone valerate cream / ointment (generic for Valisone [®])	amecinonide cream / lotion / ointment (generic for Cyclocort [®])
triamcinolone acetonide cream / lotion / ointment (generic for Kenalog [®])	betamethasone dipropionate augmented cream / gel / lotion / ointment (generic for Diprolene [®])
	betamethasone dipropionate cream / lotion / ointment (generic for Diprosone [®])
	betamethasone valerate foam (generic for Valisone [®])
	betamethasone valerate lotion (generic for Valisone [®])
	Dermacin [®] Silapak [®]
	Dermacin Rx [®] Silazone [®]
	Dermasorb [™] TA Cream
	desoximetasone cream / gel / ointment (generic for Topicort [®])
	diflorasone cream / ointment (generic for Florone [®])
	Diprolene [®] Lotion / Ointment / AF Cream
	Ellzia [®] Ointment
	fluocinonide cream / emollient cream / gel (generic for Lidex [®] / Lidex [®] E)
	fluocinonide ointment (generic for Lidex [®] Ointment)
	fluocinonide solution (generic for Lidex [®] / Lidex [®])
	Halog [®] Cream / Ointment
	Kenalog [®] Spray
	Sanaderm [®] Rx Solution
	Sernivo [®] Spray
	Silazone [®] II
	Topicort [®] Cream / Gel / Ointment / Spray / LP
	triamcinolone spray (generic for Kenalog [®] Spray)
	Trianex [®] Ointment
	Vanos [®] Cream

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Very High Potency	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
clobetasol cream / emollient cream / gel / ointment (generic for Temovate®)	Apexicon E® Cream
clobetasol solution (generic for Cormax®)	clobetasol foam / emulsion foam (generic for Olux® / Olux-E®)
Clobex® Shampoo	clobetasol lotion / shampoo (generic for Clobex®)
halobetasol propionate cream / ointment (generic for Ultravate®)	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® Capsules
	methoxsalen Rapid (generic for Oxsoalene-Ultra®)
	Oxsoalene-Ultra®
	Soriatane®
EPINEPHRINE, SELF INJECTED	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
epinephrine auto injector / JR (generic for Epi-Pen® Auto Injector / JR Auto Injector)	Adrenaclick® Auto Injector
	epinephrine auto injector (generic for Adrenaclick®)
	Epi-Pen® Auto Injector / JR Auto Injector
ESTROGEN AGENTS, COMBINATIONS	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
Activella® Tablet	FemHRT® Tablet
estradiol/norethindrone tablet (generic for Activella®)	Lopreeza® Tablet
Jinteli® (branded generic for FemHRT®)	Prefest® Tablet
Mimvey® / Lo (branded generic for Activella®)	
norethindrone-ethinyl estradiol (generic for FemHRT®)	
Premphase® Tablet	
Prempro® Tablet	
PROGESTATIONAL AGENTS	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
Makena® (hydroxyprogesterone caproate injection)	hydroxyprogesterone caproate injection (generic for Makena®) multi dose vial
Makena® (hydroxyprogesterone caproate injection) Auto Injector	
Compounded 17 P	
hydroxyprogesterone caproate injection (generic for Makena®) single dose vial	
ESTROGEN AGENTS, ORAL / TRANSDERMAL	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
Cenestin® Tablet	Alora® Patch
Climara® Pro Patch	Climara® Patch
CombiPatch®	Divigel® Gel Packet
Enjuvia® Tablet	Duavee® Tablet
estradiol patch (generic for Climara®, Menostar®, Vivelle-Dot®)	Elestrin® Gel
estradiol tablet (generic for Estrace®)	Estrace® Tablet
estropipate tablet (generic for Ogen®)	Menostar® Patch
Evamist® Spray	Mini-Velle® Patch
Menest® Tablet	Vivelle-Dot® Patch
Premarin® Tablet	

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ESTROGEN AGENTS, VAGINAL PREPARATIONS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Estring [®] Vaginal Ring	Estrace [®] Cream
Premarin [®] Vaginal Cream	estradiol vaginal cream / tablet (generic for Estrace [®])
Vagifem [®] Vaginal Tablet	Femring [®] Vaginal Ring
	Yuvaferm [®] Vaginal Tablet

GLUCOCORTICOID STEROIDS, ORAL

Preferred	Non-Preferred
budesonide EC capsule (generic for Entocort [®] EC)	Cortef [®] Tablet
dexamethasone elixir / tablet (generic for Decadron [®])	cortisone tablet (generic for Patisono [®])
dexamethasone solution (generic for Concedix [®])	Dexamethasone Intensol [®] Drops
hydrocortisone tablet (generic for Cortel [®])	Dexpak [®] Tablet
methylprednisolone 4mg dosepack / tablet (generic for Medrol [®])	Emflaza [®] Tablet
prednisolone sodium phosphate solution (generic for PediaPred [®] , OraPred [®] , Veripred [®])	Entocort [®] EC Capsule
prednisolone solution (generic for Prelone [®] , Millipred [®])	Medrol [®] Dose Pack / Tablet
prednisone dose pack (generic for Sterapred [®])	methylprednisolone 8mg / 16mg / 32mg / tablet (generic for Medrol [®])
prednisone solution / tablet (generic for Deltasone [®])	Millipred [®] Dose Pack / Tablet / Solution
	PediaPred [®] Solution
	prednisolone ODT (generic for Orapred [®] ODT)
	Prednisone Intensol [®] Concentrated Solution
	Rayos [®] Tablet
	Taperdex [®] Tablet
	Veripred [®] Solution
	Zodex [™] Tablet

IMMUNOMODULATORS, SYSTEMIC

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Trial and failure of only one preferred drug required

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

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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	

MOVEMENT DISORDERS

Clinical criteria apply to all drugs in this class

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Xenazine [®] Tablet	Austedo [™] Tablet
	Ingrezza [®] Capsule (Try and failure of preferred not required. Only clinical criteria apply)
	tetrabenazine tablet

OPIOID ANTAGONISTS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
naloxone ampule / syringe / vial (generic for Narcan [®])	
naltrexone (oral)	
Narcan [®] Nasal Spray	
Vivitrol [®] Injection	

OPIOID DEPENDENCE

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	Non-Preferred
Suboxone [®] SL Film	Bunavail [®] Film
Sublocade [™]	buprenorphine sl tablet (generic for Subutex [®])
	buprenorphine-naloxone sl tablet and film (generic for Suboxone [®])
	Zubsolv [®] Tablet SL

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SKELETAL MUSCLE RELAXANTS

Preferred	Non-Preferred
baclofen tablet (generic for Lioresal [®])	Amrix [®] ER Capsule
chlorzoxazone tablet (generic for Parafon Forte [®])	Dantrium [®] Capsule / Vial
cyclobenzaprine tablet (generic for Flexeril [®])	dantrolene sodium capsule (generic for Dantrium [®])
methocarbamol tablet (generic for Robaxin [®])	Fexmid [®] Tablet
tizanidine tablet (generic for Zanaflex [®] 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 NC 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 Health Benefits at 919-855-4310 (DME), 919-855-4300 (Pharmacy) or Roche Diagnostics Corporation at 1-877-906-8969.

Meters	Lancing Devices
ACCU-CHEK [®] Aviva Plus care kit	ACCU-CHEK [®] Softclix lancing device kit (Blue)
ACCU-CHEK [®] Compact Plus care kit	ACCU-CHEK [®] Softclix lancing device kit (Black)
ACCU-CHEK [®] Nano SmartView care kit	ACCU-CHEK [®] Multiclix lancing device kit
ACCU-CHEK [®] Guide Retail care kit	ACCU-CHEK [®] Fastclix lancing device kit
Test Strips	Control Solutions
ACCU-CHEK [®] AVIVA 50 ct test strips	ACCU-CHEK [®] Aviva glucose control solution (2 levels)
ACCU-CHEK [®] AVIVA PLUS 50 ct test strips	ACCU-CHEK [®] Compact blue glucose control solution (2 levels)
ACCU-CHEK [®] SMARTVIEW 50 ct test strips	ACCU-CHEK [®] Compact Plus clear glucose control solution (2 levels)
ACCU-CHEK [®] COMPACT Plus 51 ct test strips	ACCU-CHEK [®] SmartView glucose control solution (1 level)
ACCU-CHEK [®] Guide 50 ct test strips	ACCU-CHEK [®] Guide 2-Level control solution (2-levels)
Lancets	
ACCU-CHEK [®] Multiclix 102 ct Lancets	
ACCU-CHEK [®] Softclix 100 ct Lancets	
ACCU-CHEK [®] Fastclix 102 ct Lancets	