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No Copayment for Pregnant NC Medicaid Beneficiaries for Covered Prescription Drugs

Pregnant women enrolled in the NC Medicaid program are exempt from paying copayments. The copayment exemption is normally made automatically by the claims processing system for an eligible beneficiary. In the event that the system does not override the copay automatically, the pharmacy may use any of the 3 overrides listed below. If in doubt, please inquire about pregnancy status as you would with respect to allergies or other medical conditions and enter an appropriate override code. Pregnancy in these cases may be determined by the professional judgment of the pharmacist.

NC Medicaid Pregnancy Overrides

- place a “2” in the pregnancy indicator field (NCPDP field 335-2C), **OR**
- place a “4” in the Prior Authorization Type Code field, **OR**
- One of the following ICD-10 codes indicating pregnancy in the Diagnosis Code field

ICD-10-CM					
O09.00	O09.293	O09.521	O09.72	O09.90	Z34.02
O09.01	O09.299	O09.522	O09.73	O09.91	Z34.03
O09.02	O09.30	O09.523	O09.811	O09.92	Z34.80
O09.03	O09.31	O09.529	O09.812	O09.93	Z34.81
O09.10	O09.32	O09.611	O09.813	O36.80x0	Z34.82
O09.11	O09.33	O09.612	O09.819	O36.80x1	Z34.83
O09.12	O09.40	O09.613	O09.821	O36.80x2	Z34.90
O09.13	O09.41	O09.619	O09.822	O36.80x3	Z34.91
O09.211	O09.42	O09.621	O09.823	O36.80x4	Z34.92
O09.212	O09.43	O09.622	O09.829	O36.80x5	Z34.93
O09.213	O09.511	O09.623	O09.891	O36.80x9	
O09.219	O09.512	O09.629	O09.892	Z33.1	
O09.291	O09.513	O09.70	O09.893	Z34.00	
O09.292	O09.519	O09.71	O09.899	Z34.01	

Preferred Brands with Non-Preferred Generics on the Preferred Drug List (PDL) Current as of September 25, 2020

Brand Name	Generic Name
Actiq 1200 mcg Lozenges	fentanyl citrate 1200 mcg lozenges
Actiq 1600 mcg Lozenges	fentanyl citrate 1600 mcg lozenges
Actiq 200 mcg Lozenges	fentanyl citrate 200 mcg lozenges
Actiq 400 mcg Lozenges	fentanyl citrate 400 mcg lozenges
Actiq 600 mcg Lozenges	fentanyl citrate 600 mcg lozenges
Actiq 800 mcg Lozenges	fentanyl citrate 800 mcg lozenges
Adderall XR 10 mg Capsule	amphetamine salt combo ER 10 mg capsule
Adderall XR 15 mg Capsule	amphetamine salt combo ER 15 mg capsule
Adderall XR 20 mg Capsule	amphetamine salt combo ER 20 mg capsule
Adderall XR 25 mg Capsule	amphetamine salt combo ER 25 mg capsule
Adderall XR 30 mg Capsule	amphetamine salt combo ER 30 mg capsule
Adderall XR 5 mg Capsule	amphetamine salt combo ER 5 mg capsule
Advair Diskus 100-50	fluticasone-salmeterol 100-50
Advair Diskus 250-50	fluticasone-salmeterol 250-50
Advair Diskus 500-50	fluticasone-salmeterol 500-50
Alphagan P 0.15% Drops	brimonidine P 0.15% Drops
Apriso ER 0.375 Gram Capsule	mesalamine ER 0.375 gram capsule
Aptensio XR 10mg Capsule	methylphenidate ER 10mg capsule
Aptensio XR 15mg Capsule	methylphenidate ER 15mg capsule
Aptensio XR 20mg Capsule	methylphenidate ER 20mg capsule
Aptensio XR 30mg Capsule	methylphenidate ER 30mg capsule
Aptensio XR 40mg Capsule	methylphenidate ER 40mg capsule
Aptensio XR 50mg Capsule	methylphenidate ER 50mg capsule
Aptensio XR 60mg Capsule	methylphenidate ER 60mg capsule
Astepro 0.15% Nasal Spray	azelastine 0.15% nasal spray
Butrans 5 mcg/hr Patch	buprenorphine 5 mcg/hr patch
Butrans 7.5 mcg/hr Patch	buprenorphine 7.5 mcg/hr patch
Butrans 10 mcg/hr Patch	buprenorphine 10 mcg/hr patch
Butrans 15 mcg/hr Patch	buprenorphine 15 mcg/hr patch
Butrans 20 mcg/hr Patch	buprenorphine 20 mcg/hr patch
Canasa 1,000 mg Suppository	mesalamine 1,000 mg suppository
Cipro 10% Suspension	ciprofloxacin 500 mg/5 ml suspension
Cipro 5% Suspension	ciprofloxacin 250 mg/5 ml suspension
Ciprodex Otic Suspension	ciprofloxacin and dexamethasone otic suspension
Clobex 0.005% Shampoo	clobetasol 0.005% shampoo
Concerta 18 mg Tablet	methylphenidate ER 18 mg tablet
Concerta 27 mg Tablet	methylphenidate ER 27 mg tablet

Concerta 36 mg Tablet	methylphenidate ER 36 mg tablet
Concerta 54 mg Tablet	methylphenidate ER 54 mg tablet
Copaxone 20 mg/ml Syringe	glatiramer 20 mg/ml syringe
Copaxone 40 mg/ml Syringe	glatiramer 40 mg/ml syringe
Derma-Smoothe-FS Body Oil	fluocinolone 0.01% body oil
Derma-Smoothe-FS Scalp Oil	fluocinolone 0.01% scalp oil
Dermotic Otic Drops	fluocinolone 0.01% otic drops
Diastat 2.5 mg Pedi System	diazepam 2.5 mg rectal gel system
Diastat Acudial 12.5-15-20	diazepam 20 mg rectal gel system
Diastat Acudial 5-7.5-10	diazepam 10 mg rectal gel system
Diclegis Tablet	doxylamine succinate/pyridoxine hcl tablet
Differin 0.1% Cream	adapalene 0.1% cream
Differin 0.3% Gel Pump	adapalene 0.3% gel pump
Dovonex 0.005% Cream	calcipotriene 0.005% cream
E.E.S 200	erythromycin ethyl succinate 200 mg/5 ml
Elidel 1% Cream	picmecrolimus 1% cream
Emend 40 mg Capsule	aprepitant 40 mg capsule
Emend 80 mg Capsule	aprepitant 80 mg capsule
Epiduo Gel	adapalene/benzoyl peroxide gel
Eryped 400mg/5ml suspension	erythromycin 400mg/5ml suspension
Exelon 13.3 mg/24 hr Patch	rivastigmine 13.3 mg/24 hr patch
Exelon 4.6 mg/24 hr Patch	rivastigmine 4.6 mg/24 hr patch
Exelon 9.5 mg/24 hr Patch	rivastigmine 9.5 mg/24 hr patch
Fazacllo 100 mg ODT	clozapine 100 mg ODT
Fazacllo 12.5 mg ODT	clozapine 12.5 mg ODT
Focalin 10 mg Tablet	dexmethylphenidate 10 mg tablet
Focalin 2.5 mg Tablet	dexmethylphenidate 2.5 mg tablet
Focalin 5 mg Tablet	dexmethylphenidate 5 mg tablet
Focalin XR 5 mg Capsule	dexmethylphenidate ER 5 mg capsule
Focalin XR 10 mg Capsule	dexmethylphenidate ER 10 mg capsule
Focalin XR 15 mg Capsule	dexmethylphenidate ER 15 mg capsule
Focalin XR 20 mg Capsule	dexmethylphenidate ER 20 mg capsule
Focalin XR 25 mg Capsule	dexmethylphenidate ER 25 mg capsule
Focalin XR 30 mg Capsule	dexmethylphenidate ER 30 mg capsule
Focalin XR 35 mg Capsule	dexmethylphenidate ER 35 mg capsule
Focalin XR 40 mg Capsule	dexmethylphenidate ER 40 mg capsule
Gabitril 12 mg Tablet	tiagabine 12 mg tablet
Gabitril 16 mg Tablet	tiagabine 16 mg tablet
Gabitril 2 mg Tablet	tiagabine 2 mg tablet
Gabitril 4 mg Tablet	tiagabine 4 mg tablet
Glyset 100 mg Tablet	miglitol 100 mg tablet
Glyset 25 mg Tablet	miglitol 25 mg tablet
Glyset 50 mg Tablet	miglitol 50 mg tablet

Humalog 100 units/ml Vial	insulin lispro 100units/ml vial
Humalog Kwikpen 100 units/ml	insulin lispro 100units/ml pen
Humalog Kwikpen Mix 75-25	insulin lispro Mix 75-25 pen
Kitabis Pak 300 mg/5 ml	tobramycin pak 300 mg/5 ml
Letairis 5mg Tablet	ambrisentan 5mg tablet
Letairis 10mg Tablet	ambrisentan 10mg tablet
Lialda 1.2 gm Tablet	mesalamine 1.2 gm tablet
Lotemax 0.5% eye drops	loteprednol etabonate eye drops
Methylin 10 mg/5 ml Solution	methylphenidate 10 mg/5 ml solution
Methylin 5 mg/5 ml Solution	methylphenidate 5 mg/5 ml solution
MetroCream 0.75% Cream	metronidazole 0.75% cream
Metrogel Topical 1% Gel	metronidazole topical 1% gel
Metrogel Topical 1% Pump	metronidazole topical 1% gel
Mitigare 0.6 mg capsule	colchicine 0.6 mg capsule
Natroba 0.9% Topical Suspension	spinosad 0.9% topical suspension
Nexium DR 10mg Packet	esomeprazole DR 10mg packet
Nexium DR 20mg Packet	esomeprazole DR 20mg packet
Nexium DR 40mg Packet	esomeprazole DR 40mg packet
Niaspan ER 1000 mg Tablet	niacin ER 1000 mg tablet
Niaspan ER 500 mg Tablet	niacin ER 500 mg tablet
Niaspan ER 750 mg Tablet	niacin ER 750 mg tablet
Novolog 100 U/ml Cartridge	insulin aspart 100 U/ml cartridge
Novolog 100 U/ml FlexPen	insulin aspart 100 U/ml pen
Novolog 100 U Vial	insulin aspart 100 U vial
Novolog Mix 70-30 FlexPen	insulin aspart mix 70-30 pen
Novolog Mix 70-30 Vial	insulin aspart mix 70-30 vial
Nuvigil 150 MG Tablet	armodafinil 150 mg tablet
Nuvigil 200 MG Tablet	armodafinil 200 mg tablet
Nuvigil 250 MG Tablet	armodafinil 250 mg tablet
Nuvigil 50 MG Tablet	armodafinil 50 mg tablet
Protonix 40 mg Suspension	pantoprazole 40mg suspension
Protopic 0.03% Ointment	tacrolimus 0.03% ointment
Protopic 0.1% Ointment	tacrolimus 0.1% ointment
Provigil 100 mg tablet	modafinil 100 mg tablet
Provigil 200 mg tablet	modafinil 200 mg tablet
Pulmicort 0.25 mg/2 ml	budesonide 0.25 mg/2 ml
Pulmicort 0.5 mg/2 ml	budesonide 0.5 mg/2 ml
Pulmicort 1 mg/2 ml	budesonide 1.0 mg/2 ml
Retin-A 0.025% Cream	tretinoin 0.025% cream
Retin-A 0.05% Cream	tretinoin 0.05% cream
Retin-A 0.1% Cream	tretinoin 0.1% cream
Retin-A Gel 0.01%	tretinoin gel 0.01%
Retin-A Gel 0.025%	tretinoin gel 0.025%

Retin-A Micro 0.04% Gel Tube	tretinoin gel micro 0.04% tube
Retin-A Micro 0.1% Gel Tube	tretinoin gel micro 0.1% tube
Retin-A Micro Pump 0.04% Gel	tretinoin gel micro 0.04% pump
Retin-A Micro Pump 0.1% Gel	tretinoin gel micro 0.1% pump
Sabril Powder Pack	vigabatrin powder pack
Suboxone 2 mg-0.5 mg Film	buprenorphine/naloxone 2mg-0.5mg film
Suboxone 4 mg-1 mg Film	buprenorphine/naloxone 4mg-1mg film
Suboxone 8 mg-2 mg Film	buprenorphine/naloxone 8mg-2mg film
Suboxone 12 mg-3 mg Film	buprenorphine/naloxone 12mg-3mg film
Suprax 100 mg/5 ml Suspension	cefixime 100 mg/5 ml suspension
Suprax 200 mg/5 ml Suspension	cefixime 200 mg/5 ml suspension
Supraz 400 mg Capsule	cefixime 400 mg capsule
Symbicort 80-4.5 mcg Inhaler	budesonide-formoterol 80-4.5 mcg inhaler
Symbicort 160-4.5 mcg Inhaler	budesonide-formoterol 160-4.5 mcg inhaler
Symbyax 12-50 Capsule	olanzepine-fluoxetine 12-50 capsule
Symbyax 3-25 Capsule	olanzepine-fluoxetine 3-25 capsule
Symbyax 6-25 Capsule	olanzepine-fluoxetine 6-25 capsule
Symbyax 6-50 Capsule	olanzepine-fluoxetine 6-50 capsule
Tecfidera DR 120 mg Capsule	dimethyl Fumarate 120 mg capsule
Tecfidera DR 240 mg Capsule	dimethyl Fumarate 240 mg capsule
Tegretol 100 mg/5 ml Suspension	carbamazepine 100 mg/5 ml suspension
Tegretol 200 mg Tablet	carbamazepine 200 mg tablet
Tegretol XR 100 mg Tablet	carbamazepine ER 100 mg tablet
Tegretol XR 200 mg Tablet	carbamazepine ER 200 mg tablet
Tegretol XR 400 mg Tablet	carbamazepine ER 400 mg tablet
Tekturna 150mg Tablet	aliskiren 150mg tablet
Tekturna 300mg Tablet	aliskiren 300mg tablet
TobraDex Eye Drops	tobramycin-dexamethasone drops
Tracleer 125mg Tablet	bosentan 125 mg tablet
Tracleer 62.5mg Tablet	bosentan 62.5 mg tablet
Transderm-Scop 1.5 mg/3 day	scopolamine 1 mg/3 day patch
Travatan Z 0.004% Eye Drop	travoprost 0.004% eye drop
Vagifem 10 mcg Vaginal Tablet	estradiol 10 mcg vaginal insert
Vesicare 5 mg Tablet	solifenacin succinate 5 mg tablet
Vesicare 10mg Tablet	solifenacin succinate 10 mg tablet
Voltaren 1% Gel	diclofenac 1% gel
Xopenex HFA 45 mcg Inhaler	Levalbuterol HFA inhaler
Zovirax 5% Cream	acyclovir 5% cream
Zovirax 5% Ointment	acyclovir 5% ointment

As a reminder, if a brand is preferred with a Non-Preferred generic equivalent, “medically necessary” is NOT needed on the face of the prescription in order for the brand product to be covered. Claims for preferred brands with non-preferred generics will be reimbursed with a generic product dispensing fee. Claims for preferred brands with no generic or preferred brands with preferred generics will be reimbursed with a brand dispensing fee.

When a PDL class has a preferred brand with a non-preferred generic, providers requesting prior approval for the non-preferred generic should give a clinical reason why the beneficiary cannot use the brand.

72-Hour Emergency Supply Available for Pharmacy Prior Authorization Drugs

Pharmacy providers are encouraged to use the 72-hour emergency supply allowed for drugs requiring prior approval. **Federal law requires that this emergency supply be available to Medicaid beneficiaries for drugs requiring prior approval** (Social Security Act, Section 1927, [42 U.S.C. 1396r-8\(d\)\(5\)\(B\)](#)). Use of this emergency supply will ensure access to medically necessary medications.

The system will bypass the prior approval requirement if an emergency supply is indicated. **Use a “3” in the Level of Service field (418-DI) to indicate that the transaction is an emergency fill.**

Note: Copayments will apply and only the drug cost will be reimbursed. There is no limit to the number of times the emergency supply can be used.

Checkwrite Schedule for October 2020

Electronic Cutoff Schedule

October 1, 2020
October 8, 2020
October 15, 2020
October 22, 2020

Checkwrite Date

October 6, 2020
October 14, 2020
October 20, 2020
October 27, 2020

POS claims must be transmitted and completed by 11:59 p.m. on the day of the electronic cutoff date to be included in the next checkwrite.

The 2020 checkwrite schedules for both DHB and DMH/DPH/ORH can be found under the Quick Links on the right side of the [NCTracks Provider Portal](#) home page.

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