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Flovent HFA Inhaler Moved to Preferred Status on the Preferred Drug List

Effective Feb. 3, 2017, Flovent HFA Inhaler has been moved to preferred status on the NC Medicaid and NC Health Choice Preferred Drug List. This change is being made since Teva Pharmaceuticals has discontinued sales of QVAR® Inhaler and to allow providers another preferred inhaled corticosteroid option.

Teva is replacing QVAR Inhaler with QVAR RediHaler™, which is non-preferred. Patients and caregivers are encouraged to speak with a healthcare professional about how this transition may impact their current treatment plan.

CORTICOSTEROIDS	
Clinical Criteria Apply	
Preferred	Non-Preferred
Pulmicort® Respules 0.25mg, 0.5mg, 1mg	Aerospan® Inhaler
QVAR® Inhaler	Alvesco® Inhaler
Flovent® HFA Inhaler	Arnuity Elipta® Inhaler
	Asmanex® HFA Inhaler
	Asmanex® Twisthaler
	budesonide suspension (generic for Pulmicort® Respules)
	Flovent® Diskus / HFA Inhaler
	Pulmicort® Flexhaler
	QVAR® RediHaler™

Generic Dispensing Rate Adjustments

Generic dispensing rate adjustments go into effect on February 1, 2018. These rates are based on the [Generic Dispensing Rate Report](#) for fourth quarter 2017.

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