



# Updates to your prescription benefits

Effective September 1, 2023

## Essential 4-Tier PDL update summary

Within the Prescription Drug List (PDL), prescription drugs are grouped by tier. The tier indicates the amount you pay when you fill a prescription. Please reference the chart to the right as you review the following updates to the PDL.

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| <br><b>Tier 1</b><br>Lowest-cost medications | <br><b>Tier 2 and 3</b><br>Mid-range cost | <br><b>Tier 4</b><br>Highest-cost |
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## Prescription drugs excluded from benefit coverage<sup>1,2</sup>

We evaluate prescription drugs based on their total value, including how a drug works and how much it costs. When several drugs work in the same way, we may choose to exclude the higher-cost option. Effective September 1, 2023, the drugs listed below may be excluded from coverage or you may need to get a Prior Authorization. Sign into your online account to check which drugs your plan covers and if there are any actions you need to take.

| Therapeutic Use              | Medication Name          | Alternative Treatment Option(s)   |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Allergies                    | Ryaltris <sup>3</sup>    | olopatadine (generic Patanase) plus an over-the-counter nasal steroid (e.g., Nasonex Allergy), or over-the-counter Astepro Allergy plus an over-the-counter nasal steroid (e.g., Nasonex Allergy) |
| Benign prostatic hyperplasia | Entadfi <sup>3</sup>     | finasteride (generic Proscar) plus tadalafil (generic Cialis)   |
| Endocrine disorders          | Javygtor <sup>3,4</sup>  | sapropterin (generic Kuvan) <sup>4</sup>  |
| Endocrine disorders          | Lanreotide 120 mg/0.5 ml | Somatuline Depot  |
| Endocrine disorders          | Pheburane <sup>3,4</sup> | sodium phenylbutyrate (generic Buphenyl) <sup>4</sup>   |

| Therapeutic Use    | Medication Name                          | Alternative Treatment Option(s)                 |
|--------------------|--|---|
| Gout               | Allopurinol 200 mg <sup>3</sup>          | allopurinol 100 mg or 300 mg (generic Zyloprim) |
| Multiple sclerosis | Gilenya 0.5 mg (brand only) <sup>4</sup> | fingolimod (generic Gilenya) <sup>4</sup>       |
| Muscle spasms      | methocarbamol 1000 mg                    | methocarbamol 500 mg (generic Robaxin)          |
| Neutropenia        | Fylnetra <sup>3</sup>                    | Neulasta, Ziextenzo                             |
| Neutropenia        | Stimufend <sup>3</sup>                   | Neulasta, Ziextenzo                             |
| Pulmonary fibrosis | Esbriet (brand only) <sup>4</sup>        | pirfenidone (generic Esbriet) <sup>4</sup>      |

<sup>1</sup> Exclusion includes brand, generic and authorized generic products unless otherwise noted.

<sup>2</sup> For benefits that do not exclude, Step Therapy or Prior Authorization may be required.

<sup>3</sup> Newly released medication which was excluded from coverage at the time of launch and will continue to be excluded from our pharmacy benefit.

<sup>4</sup> Step Therapy or Prior Authorization may be required prior to coverage.

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Washington, D.C. 20201

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CEEB TOOM: Yog koj hais Lus **Hmoob (Hmong)**, muaj kev pab txhais lus pub dawb rau koj. Thov hu rau tus xovtooj hu deb dawb uas teev muaj nyob rau ntawm koj daim yuaj cim qhia tus kheej.

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OGOW: Haddii aad ku hadasho **Soomaali (Somali)**, adeegyada taageerada luqadda, oo bilaash ah, ayaad heli kartaa. Fadlan wac lambarka telefonka khadka bilaashka ee ku yaalla kaarkaaga aqoonsiga.

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