

Updates to Medica drug list for Minnesota Health Care Programs (MHCP)

Effective April 1, 2019

Effective on April 1, 2019, the following changes will apply to the Minnesota Health Care Programs List of Covered Drugs (formulary).

Note: The changes involving a removal from the formulary or a *new quantity limit* as noted below will not be effective until May 1, 2019, for members *currently utilizing* any of the affected products.

Removals from Formulary

(Continued use will be granted until May 1, 2019 for members *currently utilizing* any of these products.)

Brand name	Generic name	Preferred alternatives (for non-preferred or not covered drugs)	Therapeutic category
chlorzoxazone tablets	(same)	baclofen, cyclobenzaprine, methocarbamol, orphenadrine, orphenadrine/asa/caffeine, tizanidine	Muscle relaxants
diclofenac 1% topical gel	(same)	oral anti-inflammatory drugs such as diclofenac, naproxen, ibuprofen, etc.	Non-steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drugs (NSAIDS)
estropipate tablets	(same)	estradiol tablets	Estrogen
hydrocortisone 1% ointment in Absorbase	(same)	Alclometasone oint, desonide oint, fluocin	Topical corticosteroids
Kristalose pak	lactulose packet	lactulose oral solution	Laxative
polyethylene glycol 3350 oral powder/packets (prescription)	(same)	OTC polyethylene glycol 3350 oral powder/packets	Laxative
Zytiga 500mg tablets	abiraterone acetate tablets	abiraterone 250mg tablets	Antineoplastic

Additions to Formulary

Brand name	Generic name	Restrictions and comments (PA, QL, ST, specialty drug)	Therapeutic category
Aristada Initio injection	aripiprazole lauroxil IM ER suspension pre-filled syringe 675mg/2.4ml	PA	Antipsychotics
Arthritis Pain cream 0.075%	capsaicin cream	OTC, QL	Topical, local analgesics
capsaicin cream 0.1% and 0.025% strengths	(same)	OTC, QL	Topical, local analgesics
Capzasin/Capzasin-P	capsaicin topical cream, gel, liquid	OTC, QL	Topical, local analgesics
Castiva Lotion	capsaicin lotion 0.035%	OTC, QL	Topical, local analgesics
cinacalcet hcl tablets	(same)	PA, SP, QL	Hyperparathyroid treatment
Lidocaine patch 4%	(same)	OTC, QL	Topical, local analgesics
Mulpleta tablets	lusutrombopag tablets	PA SP	Hematologic
Retacrit	epoetin alfa-epbx inj	PA, SP	Hematologic

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tolterodine tartrate tablets	(same)	n/a	Genitourinary
Zostrix Nat cream 0.033%	capsaicin cream	OTC, QL	Topical, local analgesics

Change in Utilization Management Criteria (applies to both brand and generic products if both covered and to all strengths unless specified)

Brand Name	Generic Name	Restrictions and comments (PA, QLs, ST, specialty drug)	Therapeutic category
hydrocortisone 2.5% cream/ointment	(same)	QL added (120g/25 days)	Topical corticosteroids
triamcinolone acetonide ointment/cream/lotion	(same)	QL added (120g/25 days)	Topical corticosteroids

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