

National Formulary Updates

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This document includes new medication additions and changes made to previous formulary medications and should be used in addition to the **National Formulary Booklet**. Updates included here are considered the most accurate and up-to-date in comparison to the formulary booklet.

The formulary groups medications by the conditions they treat. Each medication is placed in a tier that indicates the amount you pay to fill a prescription as determined by your employer or health plan. Please reference this chart as you review the following formulary updates.



Tier 1

Lowest-cost medications



Tier 2

Midrange-cost medications



Tier 3

Highest-cost medications

New medications being added

New medications approved by the FDA are reviewed on a monthly basis to determine placement on the formulary. The following medications are now included on the National Formulary. This list does not guarantee coverage under all plans.

Therapeutic Use	Medication Name	Tier Placement
Non-Preferred Brand		
Acne	ABSORICA LD*	3
Anesthetic	NUMBRINO*	3
Antibacterials	RECARBRIO*	3
Antibiotic	FETROJA*	3
Antihistamine	QUZYTIR	3
Diabetes	TRIJARDY XR	3
Miscellaneous	PROCYSBI GRANULES*	3
NSAIDs	ANJESO	3

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lowercase = generic drug

[INJ] = Injectable Drug
*Prior Authorization (PA) may be required

*Brand drug with new covered generic

Therapeutic Use	Medication Name	Tier Placement
Generic		
Anticonvulsants	pregabalin	1
Antirheumatic Agents	penicillamine*	1
GI–Antiemetics	fosaprepitant solution	1
GI–Protectants	sucralfate suspension	1
Hematological–Chelating Agents	deferasirox*	1

Medications moving to a lower tier

The following medications are moving to a lower tier, making them more affordable.

Therapeutic Use	Medication Name	Tier Placement
Antibacterials	BAXDELA*	3 → 2
Anti-Cancer Agents	RUXIENCE*	3 → 2
	TRAZIMERA*	3 → 2
	ZIRABEV*	3 → 2
	NOVOLIN N FLEXPEN	3 → 2
Diabetes–Insulin	NOVOLIN R FLEXPEN	3 → 2
	EGRIFTA SV*	3 → 2
Growth Hormones	ZIOPTAN	3 → 2
Ophthalmic Agent–Glaucoma	EYLEA*	3 → 2
Ophthalmic–Macular Degeneration	ADAKVEO*	3 → 2
Sickle Cell Anemia		

Medications moving to a higher tier

Medications may move to a higher tier when they are more costly and have lower-cost options available. If your medication is listed below, you may continue taking it, but you may pay a higher cost. We encourage you to discuss the lower-cost option(s) below with your doctor to determine if they may be used to treat your condition.

Therapeutic Use	Medication Name	Tier Placement	Lower-cost Medications
Anti-Cancer Agents	FASLODEX [‡]	2 → 3	fulvestrant
Antiglaucoma Drugs Ophthalmic Prostaglandins	TRAVATAN Z [‡]	2 → 3	travoprost ophth soln 0.004%
Gastrointestinal Agents—Drugs for Acid Reflux and Ulcer	CARAFATE	2 → 3	sucralfate
Miscellaneous	DEPEN	2 → 3	penicillamine
Women’s Health— Birth Control	NUVARING [‡]	2 → 3	etonogestrel-ethinyl estradiol va ring 0.120-0.015 mg/24hr

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