



Drug Formulary Update, January 2016 Medicare Part D

Updates to the HealthPartners Medicare 2016 Drug Formulary are noted below. Please see www.healthpartners.com/formularies for details.

Medication	Status	Notes
Doxycycline hyclate	NF	Doxycycline hyclate has been removed from the formulary. Doxycycline monohydrate is preferred.
Levofloxacin	T1	Levofloxacin oral has decreased from "tier 2" to "tier 1."
Levothyroxine	T2	Levothyroxine has increased from "tier 1" to "tier 2."
Lidocaine patch	T2 PA	Lidocaine patch has changed from "Step Therapy" from gabapentin to "Prior Authorization." Lidocaine patch will be reserved for MEDICALLY ACCEPTED INDICATIONS NOT OTHERWISE EXCLUDED FROM PART D. FOR POSTHERPETIC NEURALGIA OR DIABETIC NEUROPATHY, DOCUMENTATION THAT THE PATIENT HAS TRIED AND FAILED GABAPENTIN.
Methotrexate	T2 PA	Methotrexate tablet now requires prior authorization, to determine coverage under Part B or Part D.
Namenda XR	NF	Memantine XR (Namenda XR) has been deleted from the formulary. Memantine IR is available as a generic and is preferred.
Nasonex	NF	Mometasone nasal (Nasonex) has been deleted from the formulary. Fluticasone (generic Flonase), flunisolide, and Qnasl are preferred.
Niacin ER	NF	Niacin ER has been deleted from the formulary.
Venlafaxine ER tablets	NF	Venlafaxine ER tablets have been deleted from the formulary. Venlafaxine ER capsules are preferred.
Veramyst	NF	Fluticasone (Veramyst) has been deleted from the formulary. Fluticasone (generic Flonase), flunisolide, and Qnasl are preferred.
Warfarin	T2	Warfarin has increased from "tier 1" to "tier 2."

T1=Preferred Generic,
T5=Specialty,

T2= Generic,
NF=Non-Formulary

T3=Preferred Brand,

T4=Non-Preferred Brand,
PA=Prior Authorization

Formulary Information and Requests

Formulary Information is available at [HealthPartners.com/ Provider/ Admin Tools/ Pharmacy Policies](http://HealthPartners.com/Provider/AdminTools/PharmacyPolicies), including the [Drug Formularies](#). Pharmacy Customer Service is available to providers (physicians and pharmacies) by fax, phone, and mail.

- Fax submission of coverage requests is preferred: 952-853-8700 or 1-888-883-5434.
- Telephone service is available: 952-883-5813 or 1-800-492-7259. HealthPartners Pharmacy Customer Service is available from 8AM - 6PM CST, Monday through Friday. After hours calls are answered by our Pharmacy Benefit Manager.
- Mail: HealthPartners Pharmacy Services, 8170 33rd Avenue South, PO Box 1309, Mpls, MN 55440.