

CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield Medicare Advantage Preferred Drug List

Medicare Part B Step Therapy
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The CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield Medicare Advantage Preferred Drug List encourages utilization of clinically appropriate and lower net cost products within the following therapeutic drug classes. The listed preferred products must be used first before a non-preferred product can be covered. This step therapy requirement does not apply to plan members who are actively receiving treatment with non-preferred products on the CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield Medicare Advantage Preferred Drug List

Drug Class	Non-Preferred Product(s)*	Preferred Product(s)
Acromegaly	Signifor LAR Somavert	Sandostatin LAR Somatuline Depot
Alpha-1 Antitrypsin Deficiency	Aralast Glassia Zemaira	Prolastin-C
Autoimmune	Actemra Cimzia Ilumya Remicade Orencia Stelara	Avsola Entyvio Inflectra Renflexis Simponi Aria
Bevacizumab	Avastin	Mvasi Zirabev
Botulinum Toxins	Botox Myobloc	Dysport Xeomin

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Drug Class	Non-Preferred Product(s)*	Preferred Product(s)
Hematologic, Erythropoiesis – Stimulating Agents (ESA)	Epogen Mircera Procrit	Aranesp Retacrit
Hematologic, Neutropenia Colony Stimulating Factors – Short Acting	Granix Leukine Neupogen	Nivestym Zarxio
Hematologic, Neutropenia Colony Stimulating Factors – Long Acting	Neulasta	Fulphila Nyvepria Udenyca Ziextenzo
Lysosomal Storage Disorders – Gaucher Disease	Cerezyme VPRIV	Ellyso
Multiple Sclerosis (Infused)	Lemtrada	Tysabri
Osteoarthritis, Viscosupplements – Single Injection	Durolane Gel-One Monovisc	Synvisc-One
Osteoarthritis, Viscosupplements – Multi Injection	Euflexxa Gelsyn-3 GenVisc Hyalgan Hymovis TriVisc Visco-3	Orthovisc Synvisc

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Prostate Cancer – Luteinizing Hormone Releasing Hormone (LHRH) Antagonists Agents		Firmagon
Prostate Cancer – Luteinizing Hormone Releasing Hormone (LHRH) Agents	Lupron Depot Trelstar Zoladex	Eligard
Retinal Disorders Agents	Beovu Eylea Lucentis	Avastin
Rituximab	Rituxan	Riabni Rituxan Hycela Ruxience Truxima
Severe Asthma	Cinqair	Fasenra Nucala Xolair
Trastuzumab	Herceptin	Herzuma Herceptin Hylecta Kanjinti Ogivri Ontruzant Trazimera