

Pharmacy Section Added to Provider Policies Area of bluecrossvt.org

The pharmacy section will serve to alert providers of policy changes or changes in the formulary that occur on the 1st day of every year and 1st day of July every year.

Current Drug Policies: <https://www.bluecrossvt.org/providers/provider-policies>

Medication Coverage Resources can be found at: <https://www.bluecrossvt.org/pharmacies-medications/lists-covered-medications>

Resources found here include:

- Formulary PDFs starting January 2025
- Formulary Look Up Search Tool
- Excluded Drug Lists
- Wellness List
- Health Care Reform Drug List
- Specialty Drug List
- List of Medical Prior Approval Drugs

January 1, 2025 Updates:

Preferred Specialty Products with NO Prior Authorization requirement beginning January 1st, 2025*

- Cibinqo
- Cimzia
- Enbrel
- Omvoh
- Otezla
- Rinvoq
- Simponi
- Skyrizi
- Sotyktu
- Stelara
- Taltz
- Tremfya
- Wezlana
- Xeljanz/Xeljanz XR

** Prescribers should still maintain clinical documentation to support medical need for these prescribed medications, supported by FDA indications and medical literature.*

Important Formulary Changes on the Pharmacy Benefit starting January 1st, 2025, NPF formulary*

EXCLUDED	COVERED ALTERNATIVES
Humira	Amjevita for Nuvaila, Simlandi, and adalimumab-adbm without Prior Authorization
Victoza	Generic, liraglutide, and other medications for diabetes such as Bydureon, Byetta, Ozempic, Rybelsus, Trulicity, and Mounjaro
Adderall IR	Generic, amphetamine-dextroamphetamine IR
Advair Diskus	Generic, fluticasone-salmeterol aer powder, and other medications such as Advair HFA, Wixela, Symbicort, Breo Ellipta
Testosterone gel 1.62%	Testosterone gel 1%, testosterone gel 2%

**NPF formulary is used by most members. Some may have different pharmacy formulary, BCBSVT formulary, or only have medical benefits with BlueCross and BlueShield of Vermont*

Questions? Reach out to Clinical Pharmacist, Amy Stoll, PharmD at stolla@bcbsvt.com or 802-371-3657 to discuss drug coverage or clinical questions.