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Dear TRICARE Beneficiary:

Our records indicate you may be taking prescription drug(s) that will be moving to non-preferred (Tier 3 non-formulary) or may require a prior authorization. The attachment lists all drug(s) affected by this change, as well as the date the change will occur. The attachment also has preferred drug options for you and your doctor to consider. We recommend you talk to your doctor about the options before the effective date listed on the attachment.

The attachment shows all preferred drugs with their cost shares. These are available through TRICARE Pharmacy Home Delivery or at a retail network pharmacy. They may also be available at a military pharmacy. To find a military pharmacy, visit www.tricare.mil/mtf. We encourage you to consider TRICARE Pharmacy Home Delivery as a convenient and cost-effective way to receive your regular prescriptions if a military pharmacy isn't an option. Learn more about home delivery at www.tricare.mil/homedelivery, and find your nearest TRICARE pharmacies at www.express-scripts.com/TRICARE/pharmacy.

Please keep in mind, if you don't have an approval from Express Scripts, Inc. (ESI) for a drug requiring prior authorization, you will pay 100% of the cost. Your doctor can request prior authorization by calling ESI, the TRICARE Pharmacy contractor, at 1-866-684-4488.

If you have questions, you may contact the TRICARE Pharmacy Program. The TRICARE Pharmacy Program may be reached at 1-877-363-1303. We at TRICARE are proud to serve our Nation's military heroes and their families and are committed to providing them the best possible health care.

Sincerely,

Douglas J. Robb, DO, MPH
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Director

Attachment:

1. Formulary Options for Your Doctor to Consider



Formulary Options for Your Doctor to Consider

You are now taking a drug in the non-preferred column.

Cost Share Change Effective December 17, 2014

| <u>Non-Preferred Drugs</u> Non-Formulary (Tier 3) | <u>Preferred Drugs</u> Formulary (Tier 1 & Tier 2) <i>These are Formulary Drugs (Tier 1 or Tier 2) your provider may write for or pharmacist may use (depending on how your prescription is written) in place of your now Tier 3 medication.</i> |
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| Notes: ** Listed retail cost shares (the amount you will pay) are for up to a 30 day supply; Home Delivery are for up to a 90 day supply † Mandatory generic substitution required when generics are available; requires prior authorization approval | |
| Inhaled Corticosteroids (Quantity limits apply in this class) | |
| Cost share** = \$44 at retail, \$43 through Home Delivery Aerospa TM (flunisolide) – aerosol, metered Asmanex [®] (mometasone furoate) – inhalant | Cost share** = \$5 at Retail; \$0 through Home Delivery budesonide (generics) – inhalant suspension Cost share** = \$17 at Retail; \$13 through Home Delivery Flovent Diskus [®] (fluticasone propionate) – powder, metered Flovent HFA TM (fluticasone propionate) – aerosol, metered |
| Osteoporosis Agents, Bisphosphonates | |
| Cost share** = \$44 at retail, \$43 through Home delivery Actonel [®] (risedronate, generics) – tablets † Fosamax-D [®] (alendronate/cholecalciferol) – tablets † | Cost share** = \$5 at Retail; \$0 through Home Delivery alendronate (generics) – tablets ibandronate (generics) – tablets Cost share** = \$17 at Retail; \$13 through Home Delivery Fosamax [®] (alendronate) – tablets † Boniva [®] (ibandronate) – tablets † |
| Nasal Allergy Agents (Quantity limits apply in this class) | |
| Cost share** = \$44 at retail, \$43 through Home Delivery Qnasl TM (beclomethasone) – spray, metered Zetonna TM (ciclesonide) – spray, metered Nasonex [®] (mometasone) – spray, metered Patanase [®] (olopatadine) – spray, metered Dymista TM (azelastine/fluticasone propionate) – spray, metered | Cost share** = \$5 at Retail; \$0 through Home Delivery azelastine (generics) – spray, metered flunisolide (generics) – spray, metered ipratropium (generics) – spray, metered fluticasone (generics) – spray, metered Cost share** = \$17 at Retail; \$13 through Home Delivery Astelin [®] (azelastine) – spray, metered † Atrovent [®] (ipratropium) – spray, metered † Flonase [®] (fluticasone propionate) – spray, metered † |

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| <p>Notes: ** Listed retail cost shares (the amount you will pay) are for up to a 30 day supply; Home Delivery are for up to a 90 day supply † Mandatory generic substitution required when generics are available; requires prior authorization approval * Step therapy applies – must try metformin or sulfonyleurea first</p> | |
| Gastrointestinal-1 | |
| Cost share** = \$44 at retail, \$43 through Home Delivery Uceris™ (budesonide) – tablets | Cost share ** = \$5 at Retail; \$0 through Home Delivery budesonide® EC (generic) Cost share** = \$17 at Retail; \$13 through Home Delivery Entocort® EC (budesonide) † Delzicol® (mesalamine) Lialda® (mesalamine) |
| Diabetes, Non-Insulin | |
| Cost share** = \$44 at retail, \$43 through Home Delivery Farxiga™ (dapagliflozin) – tablets* | Cost share ** = \$5 at Retail; \$0 through Home Delivery metformin (generic) glipizide (generic) glipizide ER (generic) glyburide (generic) glimepiride (generic) glipizide/metformin (generic) glyburide/metformin (generic) Cost share ** = \$17 at Retail ; \$13 through Home Delivery Januvia® (sitagliptin)* Janumet® (sitagliptin/metformin)* Janumet XR® (sitagliptin/metformin XR)* Juvissync® (sitagliptin/simvastatin)* Byetta® (exenatide)* Bydureon® (exenatide once weekly)* Victoza® (liraglutide)* |
| Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Agents (NSAIDS) | |
| Cost share** = \$44 at retail, \$43 through Home Delivery Zorvolex™ (diclofenac) – capsules | Cost share = \$5 at Retail ; \$0 through Home Delivery ibuprofen (generics) – tablets indomethacin (generics) – capsules meloxicam (generics) – tablets naproxen (generics) – tablets diclofenac sodium (generics) – tablets diclofenac potassium (generics) – tablets diflunisal (generics) – tablets etodolac (generics) – tablets fenoprofen (generics) – tablets flurbiprofen (generics) – tablets ketoprofen (generics) – tablets ketorolac (generics) – tablets nabumetone (generics) – tablets oxaprozin (generics) – tablets piroxicam (generics) – capsules sulindac (generics) – tablets tolmetin (generics) – tablets meclofenamate (generics) – capsules |

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