

# **Prior Authorization Additions**

Some drugs require prior authorization. This means your doctor must speak with us before your plan may cover them.

### Drugs that usually need prior authorization:

- Drugs that a doctor orders when less expensive drugs might work
- Drugs that should be used only for certain health problems
- Drugs that have dangerous side effects
- Drugs that are harmful when combined with other drugs

### About this list: As of Jan. 1, 2017, we will add the drugs listed on this sheet to the authorization

**program.** This is not a full list of drugs covered under your plan. To see the full list of drugs that need prior authorization, go to **bcbsla.com/pharmacy.** As benefits may vary by group and individual plans, the inclusion of a medication on this list

does not imply prescription drug coverage.

What can you do? Talk to your doctor about requesting prior authorization for your drugs, if needed.

Your doctor might switch you to another drug that doesn't need prior authorization.

Or, he or she can call or fax Express Scripts\* to start the approval process.

### Drugs that must have prior authorization for NEW users:

If you are already taking any of the new drugs that will require prior authorization, your doctor does not have to get prior authorization for you to continue taking them.

acyclovir ointment	Foradil <sup>®</sup> Aerolizer	Stiolto™ Respimat®
Aerospan <sup>®</sup>	Kombiglyze® XR	tacrolimus ointment
Alvesco®	Onglyza <sup>®</sup>	TOBI® Podhaler™
Arcapta™ Neohaler™	Perforomist®	Topiramate ER sprinkle capsule
Asmanex® HFA	Pradaxa®	Trokendi XR®
Asmanex® Twisthaler®	Protopic <sup>®</sup>	Tudorza® Pressair®
Bethkis®	Proventil® HFA	Utibron™ Neohaler®
Brovana <sup>®</sup>	Pulmicort Flexhaler®	Xigduo XR®
Cayston <sup>®</sup>	Qudexy® XR	Xopenex HFA®
Denavir®	Restasis®	Zovirax® Cream and Ointment
Dulera®	Savaysa <sup>®</sup>	
Elidel®	Seebri™ Neohaler®	
Farxiga <sup>®</sup>	Sitavig <sup>®</sup>	

Key: BRAND medications are listed in UPPER CASE and generics in lower case.

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<sup>\*</sup>Express Scripts is an independent company that serves as the pharmacy benefit manager for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana and HMO Louisiana, Inc.

# Drugs that must have prior authorization for NEW and CURRENT users:

If you are already taking one of these drugs, or if your doctor orders a new prescription for one of these drugs, he or she must ask for prior authorization before your plan may cover the drug.

<b>Common Use or Conditions</b>	Drugs That Treat Those Conditions	
Antifungal	Ecoza™ Foam, Ertaczo®, Exelderm®, Extina®, Jublia®, Kerydin®, Luzu®, Mentax®, Naftifine 1% Cream, Naftin®, Oravig®, Oxistat®, Xolegel®	
Anti-infective	Daraprim <sup>®</sup>	
Asthma	Zyflo®, Zyflo CR®	
Blood Pressure	Vecamyl <sup>®</sup>	
Cystic Fibrosis	TOBI®, tobramycin inhalation	
Dependence/Overdose	buprenorphine SL, Evzio®	
Depression	Aplenzin®, Forfivo XL®, Wellbutrin SR®, Wellbutrin XL®	
Diabetes	Fortamet® and its generic, Glucophage® XR, Glumetza® and its generic	
High Cholesterol	Altoprev <sup>®</sup> , Crestor <sup>®</sup> , Livalo <sup>®</sup>	
Muscle Spasms	Amrix®, cyclobenzaprine 7.5 mg, Fexmid®	
Narcolepsy	Xyrem <sup>®</sup>	
Nerve Pain	Gralise®, Horizant®, Neurontin®	
Other	Cuprimine®, Syprine®	
Rheumatoid Arthritis	Otrexup™, Rasuvo®, Rayos®	

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**Find out more:** To learn more about your drug coverage, go to **bcbsla.com/pharmacy.** 

**Questions?** If you have any questions about your prescription benefits, call the Express

Scripts\* Customer Service Department toll-free at 1-866-781-7533, or the

Pharmacy number on the back of your member ID card.