

# Agent Alert

MedicareBlue™ Solutions



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## **February 2019 formulary updates**

Attached with this message are the February 2019 formulary updates. These updates also appear on updated PDFs of the formularies and on [YourMedicareSolutions.com](http://YourMedicareSolutions.com). A key to the tier names and utilization management abbreviations is included with chart.

### **Questions or have an enrollment? Call a Broker Help Desk**

If you have questions, want to enroll an applicant by telephone or help a member make a change, please contact the appropriate agent/broker help line:

MedicareBlue Rx pre-enrollment toll free at **1-866-464-3919**

MedicareBlue Rx post-enrollment toll free at **1-866-849-2498**

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# MedicareBlue<sup>SM</sup> Rx (PDP)

A Medicare Prescription Drug Plan

Change Description	Product Name	MBRx Standard and Premier	Group MBRx	THERAPEUTIC CATEGORY template	THERAPEUTIC CLASS template	Clinical Rationale
Add (generic of Albenza 200mg)	Albendazole Oral Tablet 200 MG	Add tier 5, PA	Add tier 4	ANTI-INFECTIVES	ANTI-INFECTIVES - MISCELLANEOUS	Generic availability; brand already listed
Add (generic of ONFI Susp)	CLOBAZAM SUSPENSION 2.5 MG/ML	Delete	Add tier 1, PA	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	ANTICONVULSANTS	Generic availability; brand already listed
Add (generic of ONFI TAB)	CLOBAZAM TAB 10 MG	Add tier 5	Add tier 1, PA	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	ANTICONVULSANTS	Generic availability; brand already listed
Add (generic of ONFI TAB)	CLOBAZAM TAB 20 MG	-	Add tier 1, PA	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	ANTICONVULSANTS	Generic availability; brand already listed
Add (generic of ZYTIGA TAB 250MG)	ABIRATERONE ACETATE TAB 250 MG	Delete	Add tier 4, PA	ANTINEOPLASTIC AGENTS	HORMONAL ANTINEOPLASTIC AGENTS	Generic availability; brand already listed
Add (line extension)	DAPTOMYCIN SOL 350MG	Delete	Add tier 4	ANTI-INFECTIVES	ANTI-INFECTIVES - MISCELLANEOUS	Clinical line extension
Add (line extension)	FLAC OIL 0.01%	Add tier 3, PA	Add tier 1	TOPICAL	OTIC	Clinical line extension
Add (line extension)	GRANIX INJ 300/1ML	Add tier 3, PA	Add tier 4, PA	HEMATOLOGIC	HEMATOPOIETIC GROWTH FACTORS	Clinical line extension
Add (line extension)	GRANIX INJ 480/1.6	Add tier 3, PA	Add tier 4, PA	HEMATOLOGIC	HEMATOPOIETIC GROWTH FACTORS	Clinical line extension
Add (line extension)	M-NATAL PLUS TAB	Add tier 5, PA, LA	Add tier 2	NUTRITIONAL/SUPPLEMENTS	VITAMINS	Clinical line extension
Add (line extension)	MONDOXYNE NL CAP 100MG	Add tier 5, PA, LA	Add tier 1	ANTI-INFECTIVES	TETRACYCLINES	Clinical line extension
Add (line extension)	NOVOLIN INJ FLEXPEN	Add tier 5, PA	Add tier 2	ENDOCRINE AND METABOLIC	ANTIDIABETICS, INJECTABLE	Clinical line extension; new formulation
Add (line extension)	SOTALOL AF TAB 120MG	Add tier 5	Add tier 1	CARDIOVASCULAR	ANTIARRHYTHMICS	Clinical line extension
Add (line extension)	XARELTO TAB 2.5MG	Add tier 5	Add tier 2	HEMATOLOGIC	ANTICOAGULANTS	Clinical line extension; new strength
Add (line extension)	ZORTRESS TAB 1MG	Add tier 5, PA, QL, LA	Add tier 4, PA	IMMUNOLOGIC AGENTS	IMMUNOSUPPRESSANTS	Clinical line extension; new strength
Add (protected class)	COPIKTRA CAP 15MG	-	Add tier 4, PA, LA	ANTINEOPLASTIC AGENTS	KINASE INHIBITORS	Provides an additional treatment option for chronic lymphocytic leukemia, small lymphocytic lymphoma, and follicular lymphoma.
Add (protected class)	COPIKTRA CAP 25MG	Change tier 4 to tier 3, PA	Add tier 4, PA, LA	ANTINEOPLASTIC AGENTS	KINASE INHIBITORS	Provides an additional treatment option for chronic lymphocytic leukemia, small lymphocytic lymphoma, and follicular lymphoma.
Add (protected class)	DELSTRIGO TAB	Add tier 5, PA	Add tier 4	ANTI-INFECTIVES	ANTIRETROVIRAL COMBINATION AGENTS	Provides an additional treatment option for human immunodeficiency virus-1 infection.
Add (protected class)	EPIDIOLEX SOL 100MG/ML	Add tier 5, PA	Add tier 4, PA, QL, LA	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	ANTICONVULSANTS	Provides an additional treatment option for patients with seizure disorders.
Add (protected class)	PIFELTRO TAB 100MG	Delete	Add tier 4	ANTI-INFECTIVES	ANTIRETROVIRAL AGENTS	Provides an additional treatment option for human immunodeficiency virus-1 infection.
Add (protected class)	VIZIMPRO TAB 15MG	Delete	Add tier 4, PA, LA	ANTINEOPLASTIC AGENTS	KINASE INHIBITORS	Provides an additional treatment option for non-small cell lung cancer.
Add (protected class)	VIZIMPRO TAB 30MG	Add tier 3	Add tier 4, PA, LA	ANTINEOPLASTIC AGENTS	KINASE INHIBITORS	Provides an additional treatment option for non-small cell lung cancer.

Abbreviations	
LA = Limited access	PA = Prior authorization
NA = Not applicable	QL = Quantity limit
NF = Non-formulary	ST = Step therapy

Tier names: MedicareBlue Rx Standard and Premier
Tier 1: Preferred generic
Tier 2: Generic
Tier 3: Preferred brand
Tier 4: Non-preferred drug
Tier 5: Speciality

Tier names: Group MedicareBlue Rx
Tier 1: Generic
Tier 2: Preferred brand
Tier 3: Non-preferred brand
Tier 4: Speciality

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Add (protected class)	VIZIMPRO TAB 45MG	Add tier 4	Add tier 4, PA, LA	ANTINEOPLASTIC AGENTS	KINASE INHIBITORS	Provides an additional treatment option for non-small cell lung cancer.
Add (generic of Ampyra)	DALFAMPRIDIN TAB 10MG ER	Add tier 4	Add tier 4, PA	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AGENTS	Generic availability; brand already listed
Add (protected class drug)	MOLINDONE TAB HCL 10MG	Add tier 4	Add tier 1	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	ANTIPSYCHOTICS	Provides an additional treatment option for schizophrenia.
Add (protected class drug)	MOLINDONE TAB HCL 25MG	Add tier 2	Add tier 1	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	ANTIPSYCHOTICS	Provides an additional treatment option for schizophrenia.
Add (protected class drug)	MOLINDONE TAB HCL 5MG	Delete	Add tier 1	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	ANTIPSYCHOTICS	Provides an additional treatment option for schizophrenia.
Add (protected class drug)	TALZENNA CAP 0.25MG	Add tier 3	Add tier 4, PA, LA	ANTINEOPLASTIC AGENTS	BIOLOGIC RESPONSE MODIFIERS	Provides an additional treatment option for breast cancer.
Add (protected class drug)	TALZENNA CAP 1MG	Add tier 5	Add tier 4, PA, LA	ANTINEOPLASTIC AGENTS	BIOLOGIC RESPONSE MODIFIERS	Provides an additional treatment option for breast cancer.
Change Tier	GENOTROPIN INJ 0.2MG	Add tier 2	Change tier 3 to tier 2, PA	ENDOCRINE AND METABOLIC	MISCELLANEOUS	Tiering change
Delete (drug discontinued)	AFEDITAB TAB 60MG CR	Add tier 5, PA, LA	Delete	CARDIOVASCULAR	CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKERS	Product discontinued
Delete (drug discontinued)	CEFOTAXIME INJ 2GM	Add tier 5, PA, LA	Delete	ANTI-INFECTIVES	CEPHALOSPORINS	Product discontinued
Delete (drug discontinued)	CLINIMIX INJ 2.75/D5W	Delete	Delete	NUTRITIONAL/SUPPLEMENTS	IV NUTRITION	Product discontinued
Delete (drug discontinued)	CLINIMIX INJ 4.25/D20	Add tier 5, PA, LA	Delete	NUTRITIONAL/SUPPLEMENTS	IV NUTRITION	Product discontinued
Delete (drug discontinued)	KIMIDESS TAB	Add tier 5, PA, LA	Delete	ENDOCRINE AND METABOLIC	CONTRACEPTIVES	Product discontinued
Delete (drug discontinued)	NORVIR CAP 100MG	Add tier 5, PA, LA	Delete	ANTI-INFECTIVES	ANTIRETROVIRAL AGENTS	Product discontinued
Delete (non-PLL)	VERSACLOZ SUS 50MG/ML	Add tier 3	Delete	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	ANTIPSYCHOTICS	FRF deletion
Delete (drug discontinued)	HEXALEN CAP 50MG	Add tier 5, PA	Delete	ANTINEOPLASTIC AGENTS	ALKYLATING AGENTS	Product discontinued

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