

# Agent Alert

MedicareBlue™ Solutions



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## **May 2019 formulary updates**

Attached with this message are the May 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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Change Description	Product Name	MBRx Standard & Premier	Group MBRx	THERAPEUTIC CATEGORY template	THERAPEUTIC CLASS template	Clinical Rationale
Add (line extension)	AIMOVIG INJ 140MG/ML	Add tier 3, PA, QL	Add tier 2, PA, QL	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	MIGRAINE	Clinical line extension
Add	AIMOVIG INJ 140DOSE	Add tier 3, PA, QL	Add tier 2, PA, QL	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	MIGRAINE	Additional treatment option for migraine.
Add	AIMOVIG INJ 70MG	Add tier 3, PA, QL	Add tier 2, PA, QL	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	MIGRAINE	Additional treatment option for migraine.
Delete brand, generic available	ALBENZA TAB 200MG	Delete	Delete	ANTI-INFECTIVES	ANTI-INFECTIVES - MISCELLANEOUS	Generic product available on drug lists
Delete brand, generic available	AMPYRA TAB 10MG	Delete	Delete	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AGENTS	Generic product available on drug lists
Delete brand/tier increase, generic available	BILTRICIDE TAB 600MG	Delete	Delete	ANTI-INFECTIVES	ANTI-INFECTIVES - MISCELLANEOUS	Generic product available on drug lists
Add generic SUBOXONE MIS	BUPREN/NALOX MIS 12-3MG	Add tier 4, QL	Add tier 1, QL	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	PSYCHOTHERAPEUTIC-MISC	Generic availability; brand already listed
Add generic SUBOXONE MIS	BUPREN/NALOX MIS 2-0.5MG	Add tier 4, QL	Add tier 1, QL	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	PSYCHOTHERAPEUTIC-MISC	Generic availability; brand already listed
Add generic SUBOXONE MIS	BUPREN/NALOX MIS 4-1MG	Add tier 4, QL	Add tier 1, QL	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	PSYCHOTHERAPEUTIC-MISC	Generic availability; brand already listed
Add generic SUBOXONE MIS	BUPREN/NALOX MIS 8-2MG	Add tier 4, QL	Add tier 1, QL	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	PSYCHOTHERAPEUTIC-MISC	Generic availability; brand already listed
Delete brand/tier increase, generic available	CANASA SUP 1000MG	Tier 4	Delete	GASTROINTESTINAL	INFLAMMATORY BOWEL DISEASE	Generic product available on drug lists
Delete (drug discontinued)	DILTIAZEM CAP 120MG CD	Delete	Delete	CARDIOVASCULAR	CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKERS	Product discontinued
Delete (drug discontinued)	DOXORUBICIN INJ 10MG	-	Delete	ANTINEOPLASTIC AGENTS	ANTHRACYCLINES	Product discontinued
Add	EMGALITY INJ 120MG/ML (auto-inj)	Add tier 3, PA, QL	Add tier 2, PA, QL	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	MIGRAINE	Additional treatment option for migraine.
Add	EMGALITY INJ 120MG/ML (prefilled syringe)	Add tier 3, PA, QL	Add tier 2, PA, QL	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	MIGRAINE	Additional treatment option for migraine.
Delete brand, generic available	FARESTON TAB 60MG	Delete	Delete	ANTINEOPLASTIC AGENTS	HORMONAL ANTINEOPLASTIC AGENTS	Generic product available on drug lists
Delete brand, generic available	INVANZ INJ 1GM	Delete	Delete	ANTI-INFECTIVES	ANTI-INFECTIVES - MISCELLANEOUS	Generic product available on drug lists
Add (line extension)	JASMIEL TAB 3-0.02MG	Add tier 3	Add tier 1	ENDOCRINE AND METABOLIC	CONTRACEPTIVES	Clinical line extension
Delete (drug discontinued)	MG SO4/D5W INJ 20MG/ML	Delete	Delete	NUTRITIONAL/SUPPLEMENTS	ELECTROLYTES	Product discontinued
Delete (drug discontinued)	NECON TAB 1/50-28	Delete	Delete	ENDOCRINE AND METABOLIC	CONTRACEPTIVES	Generic product available on drug lists
Delete	NIVA-PLUS TAB	Delete	Delete	NUTRITIONAL/SUPPLEMENTS	VITAMINS	No longer Med D eligible, molecular entity remains on drug lists.
Delete	O-CAL FA TAB	Delete	Delete	NUTRITIONAL/SUPPLEMENTS	VITAMINS	No longer Med D eligible, molecular entity remains on drug lists.
Delete brand, generic available	ONFI SUS 2.5MG/ML	Delete	Delete	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	ANTICONVULSANTS	Generic product available on drug lists

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

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

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Tier 3: Non-preferred brand
Tier 4: Speciality

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Delete brand, generic available	ONFI TAB 10MG	Delete	Delete	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	ANTICONVULSANTS	Generic product available on drug lists
Delete brand, generic available	ONFI TAB 20MG	Delete	Delete	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	ANTICONVULSANTS	Generic product available on drug lists
Add generic Pentam	PENTAMIDINE ISETHIONATE FOR SOLN 300 MG	Add tier 4	Add tier 1	ANTI-INFECTIVES	ANTI-INFECTIVES - MISCELLANEOUS	Generic availability; brand already listed
Add	PERSERIS INJ 120MG	Add tier 4, QL	Add tier 4, QL	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	ANTIPSYCHOTICS	Additional treatment option for schizophrenia.
Add	PERSERIS INJ 90MG	Add tier 4, QL	Add tier 4, QL	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	ANTIPSYCHOTICS	Additional treatment option for schizophrenia.
Delete	PNV PRENATAL TAB PLUS	Delete	Delete	NUTRITIONAL/SUPPLEMENTS	VITAMINS	No longer Med D eligible, molecular entity remains on drug lists.
Delete	PREPLUS TAB 27-1MG	Delete	Delete	NUTRITIONAL/SUPPLEMENTS	VITAMINS	No longer Med D eligible, molecular entity remains on drug lists.
Add brand (maintain coverage)	PRIMAQUINE TAB 26.3MG	Add tier 3	Add tier 2	ANTI-INFECTIVES	ANTIMALARIALS	Clinical line extension; addition of brand to maintain coverage
Add generic Ranexa	Ranolazine ER Oral Tablet Extended Release 12 Hour 1000 MG	Add tier 4	Add tier 1	CARDIOVASCULAR	MISCELLANEOUS	Generic availability; brand already listed
Add generic Ranexa	Ranolazine ER Oral Tablet Extended Release 12 Hour 500 MG	Add tier 4	Add tier 1	CARDIOVASCULAR	MISCELLANEOUS	Generic availability; brand already listed
Add/Tier change	RHOPRESSA SOL 0.02%	Add tier 3	Add tier 2	OPHTHALMIC	ANTIGLAUCOMA	Additional treatment option for glaucoma or ocular hypertension; tier change.
Delete brand, generic available	SABRIL TAB 500MG	Delete	Delete	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	ANTICONVULSANTS	Generic product available on drug lists
Add (line extension)	TECENTRIQ INJ 840/14	Add tier 5, PA, LA	Add tier 4, PA, LA	ANTINEOPLASTIC AGENTS	BIOLOGIC RESPONSE MODIFIERS	Clinical line extension
Add (line extension)	VIGADRONE POW 500MG	Add tier 5, PA, QL, LA	Add tier 4, PA, QL, LA	CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	ANTICONVULSANTS	Clinical line extension
Delete	VOL-PLUS TAB	Delete	Delete	NUTRITIONAL/SUPPLEMENTS	VITAMINS	No longer Med D eligible, molecular entity remains on drug lists.
Delete brand/tier increase, generic available	WELCHOL PAK 3.75GM	Tier 3	Delete	CARDIOVASCULAR	ANTILIPEMICS, MISCELLANEOUS	Generic product available on drug lists
Delete (drug discontinued)	ZOVIA 1/50E TAB	Delete	Delete	ENDOCRINE AND METABOLIC	CONTRACEPTIVES	Generic product available on drug lists
Delete brand, generic available	ZYTIGA TAB 250MG	Delete	Delete	ANTINEOPLASTIC AGENTS	HORMONAL ANTINEOPLASTIC AGENTS	Generic product available on drug lists

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