



Medicare formulary changes effective 1/1/2019

PCSK9:

- Praluent added as Preferred Brand, PA Required.
- Repatha removed from formulary – negative change

DDP-4:

- Janumet updated to Preferred Brand & Step Therapy Requirement was removed.
- Janumet XR added as Preferred Brand.
- Januvia updated to Preferred Brand & Step Therapy Requirement was removed.
- Jentadueto and Jentadueto XR added as Preferred Brand.

GLP-1:

- Bydureon added as Preferred Brand.
- Ozempic added as Preferred Brand.
- Trulicity added as Preferred Brand.
- Victoza added as Preferred Brand.
- Byetta removed from formulary – negative change

SGLT-2:

- Farxiga updated to Preferred Brand.
- Synjardy and Synjardy XR added as Preferred Brand.
- Xigduo added as Preferred Brand.

Anticoagulants:

- Eliquis updated to Preferred Brand.
- Xarelto updated to Preferred Brand.

Immune Suppressants:

- Xeljanz and Xeljanz XR added as Preferred Brand, PA Required.
- Kineret removed from formulary – negative change
- Orencia removed from formulary – negative change
- Otezla removed from formulary – negative change

Respiratory Tract/Pulmonary Agents:

- Symbicort updated to Preferred Brand.
- Trelegy updated to Preferred Brand.

Ophthalmic Antiglaucoma Agents:

- Azopt updated to Preferred Brand.
- Simbrinza updated to Preferred Brand.
- Istalol removed from formulary – negative change

Ophthalmic Prostaglandin and Prostamide Analogs:

- Lumigan updated to Preferred Brand.
- Travatan Z updated to Preferred Brand.

High Risk Medications:

- Prior authorization requirement added to:
 - Glyburide and glyburide/metformin – negative change
- Prior authorization requirement that only applies to new starts added to:
 - Methocarbamol
 - Nitrofurantoin
 - Amitriptyline
 - Doxepin
 - Hydroxyzine
 - Hydroxyzine Pamoate
 - Benztropine
 - Zolpidem
 - Zaleplon
 - Eszopiclone
 - Digoxin

Topical Products:

- Quantity Limits added to:
 - Calcipotriene cream, ointment, and solution – negative change
 - Clobetasol gel, ointment, and solution – negative change
 - Diclofenac gel – negative change
 - Fluocinonide cream, gel, and solution – negative change
 - Ketoconazole cream – negative change
 - Santyl ointment – negative change