



Select Prescription Drug Cost Outliers Excluded from Coverage

Each year, as new drugs are approved or older drugs change in price, we make changes to how they are covered under our plans. We also remove drugs from coverage, if needed. We make these changes to keep costs down, while still allowing choices in care.

About this list:

This sheet explains which prescription cost outlier drugs are not covered for most Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana or HMO Louisiana, Inc. plans because multiple lower cost therapeutic alternatives are available. This is not a full list of drugs that are not covered. Please read your plan booklet for more about excluded drugs, as benefits may vary by group and individual plans.

Key: BRAND medications are listed in UPPERCASE and generics in lowercase.

Common Use or Health Problem	Drugs Not Covered	Alternative Drugs, Strengths or Dosage Forms
Acne	ATRALIN®, AVITA® GEL, CLEOCIN T®, CLINDAGEL®, CLINDAMYCIN GEL, clindamycin once daily gel, EVOCLIN®, KLARON®, RETIN-A MICRO®, RETIN-A® GEL	clindamycin 1% foam, gel, lotion, solution or swab; clindacin-p® sulfacetamide 10% lotion; tretinoin gel or cream; avita; tretinoin microsphere gel or pump
ADHD	METADATE® CD, METHYLPHENIDATE ER 45 mg, 63 mg and 72 mg tablet, RELEXXII®	methylphenidate, methylphenidate er
Allergies	CARBINOXAMINE MALEATE 4 MG/5 ML SOLUTION, carbinoxamine maleate 6 mg, KARBINAL™ ER, RYVENT™	carbinoxamine maleate 4 mg, carbinoxamine maleate oral solution
Antibiotics	AUGMENTIN® 125 MG/5 ML ORAL SUSPENSION, cephalexin 750 mg, KEFLEX 750 MG, METRONIDAZOLE 125 MG, PRIMSOLOL®	amoxicillin-clavulanate oral suspension, cephalexin 250 mg and 500 mg, metronidazole 250 mg and 500 mg, trimethoprim tablet
Topical Antibiotics	mupirocin cream	clindamycin 1% gel, mupirocin 2% ointment
Anticonvulsants	GABARONE™ 100 MG and 400 MG	gabapentin 100 mg, 300 mg and 400 mg capsule, gabapentin 600 mg and 800 mg tablet
Antifungals	FULVICIN P-G 165 MG, griseofulvin ultramicrosize 165 mg	griseofulvin ultramicrosize 125 mg and 250 mg
Antiviral	SITAVIG®	acyclovir, valacyclovir



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Blood Pressure	CLONIDINE ER 0.17 MG, HEMICLOR™, LABETALOL 400 MG, NEXICLON™ XR, TEZRULY™	chlorthalidone 25 mg, clonidine, doxazosin, labetalol 100 mg, 200 mg, 300 mg, prazosin, terazosin
Cholesterol	ALTOPREV®, ANTARA®, fenofibrate 40 mg tablet, fenofibrate 130 mg, FENOFIBRATE 50 MG AND 150 MG CAPSULES, fenofibrate 120 mg tablet, fenofibric acid 135 mg capsule, fenofibric acid 35 mg tablet, FENOGLIDE®, FIBRICOR®, LIPOFEN®, TRILIPIX®	fenofibrate 48 mg, 134 mg, 145 mg, atorvastatin, fluvastatin, lovastatin, rosuvastatin, simvastatin
	niacin 500 mg tablet, NIACOR®	niacin er 500 mg and 1,000 mg
Depression/Anxiety	APLENZIN®, BRISDELLE®, duloxetine 40 mg capsule, fluoxetine 60 mg tablet, FORFIVO XL®, paroxetine 7.5 mg capsule, WELLBUTRIN XL® 150 MG AND 300 MG TABLETS	bupropion er/sr/xl; duloxetine 20 mg, 30 mg and 60 mg; fluoxetine capsule, delayed release capsule, 10 mg and 20 mg tablet; paroxetine; paroxetine er
Diabetes	FORTAMET®, GLIMEPIRIDE 3 MG, GLUMETZA®, METFORMIN 625 MG and 750 MG, metformin er gastric tablet 500 mg and 1,000 mg, metformin er osmotic tablet 500 mg, 1,000 mg, SITAGLIPTIN-METFORMIN ER	metformin hcl er 500 mg and 750 mg, metformin 500 mg, 850 mg, and 1000 mg, glimepiride 1 mg, 2 mg, and 4 mg, sitagliptin
Gout	ALLOPURINOL 200 MG, allopurinol 200 mg	allopurinol 100 mg and 300 mg
Inflammatory Conditions	HUMIRA® (manufactured by Cordavis)	HUMIRA®, SIMLANDI®, ADALIMUMAB-ADAZ, ADALIMUMAB-ADBM, ADALIMUMAB-RYVK
	OTULFI®, PYZCHIVA®, STEQEYMA®, USTEKINUMAB, USTEKINUMAB-AEKN, WEZLANA™	SELARSDI®, STELARA®, USTEKINUMAB-TTWE, YESINTEK™
Kidney/Bladder Stones, Rheumatoid Arthritis, Wilson's Disease	COXANTO™, CUPRIMINE®, DEPEN®, OXAPROZIN, penicillamine 250 mg capsule	ADVIL®, ALEVE®, ibuprofen, penicillamine tablet



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Malaria, Lupus, Rheumatoid Arthritis	hydroxychloroquine 100 mg, 300 mg and 400 mg, SOVUNA® 300 MG	hydroxychloroquine 200 mg
Migraine	FROVA®, ONZETRA® XSAIL®, ZEMBRACE™ SYMTOUCH™	almotriptan, frovatriptan, naratriptan, rizatriptan, sumatriptan, zolmitriptan
Muscle Relaxers	AMRIX®, BACLOFEN 15 MG, baclofen 15 mg, BACLOFEN SOLUTION; carisoprodol 250 mg; chlorzoxazone 250 mg, 375 mg and 750 mg tablets; cyclobenzaprine 7.5 mg tablet; cyclobenzaprine er; FEXMID®, LORZONE®, METAXALONE 640 MG, METHOCARBAMOL and methocarbamol 1000 MG, OZOBAX®, SOMA® 250 MG, tanlor 1,000 mg	baclofen solution, baclofen 5 mg, 10 mg and 20 mg, carisoprodol 250 mg, chlorzoxazone 500 mg, cyclobenzaprine 5 mg, 10 mg tablets, metaxalone 400 mg and 800 mg, methocarbamol 500 mg and 750 mg
Pain	DOLOBID™, fentanyl transdermal patch 37.5, 62.5 and 87.5 mcg	diflunisal, fentanyl 25 mcg, 50 mcg and 100 mcg
Idiopathic pulmonary Fibrosis	ESBRIET® TABLET	pirfenidone 267 mg and 801 mg, pirfenidone capsule
Rosacea	METROCREAM®, METROGEL®, METROLOTION®, NORITATE®	metronidazole 0.75% cream, lotion, gel; metronidazole 1% gel; rosadan cream, gel
Sleep Aids	EDLUAR™, ZOLPIMIST® SOLUTION	eszopiclone, zaleplon, zolpidem er, zolpidem
Stomach	GIMOTI™	metoclopramide tablet, oral solution
Suppositories	hydrocortisone 30 mg suppository, PROCTOCORT® SUPPOSITORY	anucort-hc™ 25 mg, hydrocortisone 25 mg suppository
Steroid	HEMADY™	dexamethasone 4 mg tablet
Skin Conditions	ALA-SCALP®, apexicon® e, CLOBEX®, CLOBETASOL 0.025%, DAPSONE, DESONATE®, DESOWEN®, DIPROLENE®, HALOG®, KENALOG® SPRAY, LOCOID LIPOCREAM®, LOCOID®, LUXIQ®, NEO-	betamethasone 0.05% lotion, ointment; betamethasone 0.1% cream; betamethasone 0.12% foam; clobetasol 0.05% cream, foam, lotion, ointment, shampoo, spray; clobetasol e cream; clodan shampoo; dapsone, desonide cream, lotion; desoximetasone 0.05%



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	SYNALAR®, OLUX®, OLUX-E®, SYNALAR®, TEMOVATE®, TOPICORT®, VANOS®	cream, gel, ointment; desoximetasone 0.25% cream; diflorasone cream; fluocinolone oil; fluocinolone 0.025% cream, ointment; fluocinonide 0.1% cream; fluticasone 0.05% lotion, cream; halcinonide cream; halobetasol cream, ointment; hydrocortisone 0.1% cream, ointment, solution; hydrocortisone 0.2% cream, ointment; hydrocortisone 2.5% cream, lotion; mometasone cream, ointment; prednicarbate cream, ointment; triamcinolone 0.1% lotion, ointment; triamcinolone 0.5% ointment; triamcinolone aerosol

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