

Pharmacy Coverage Updates Effective July 1, 2018

On October 1, 2018, Florida Blue will implement several changes to our pharmacy programs. Changes are summarized below. For the most up-to-date drug coverage and requirements, members should log in to their member account on floridablue.com.

Prior Authorization – Newly added medications

The following medications will now require a prior authorization. A member's doctor should submit a [request for pre-approval](#) in advance of the member filling certain medications. This only applies to members enrolled in plans that are part of the prior authorization program.

Drugs Added to the Prior Authorization Program	
Drug	Covered Condition(s)*
Aimovig	FDA approved indication(s)
Bonjesta	FDA approved indication(s)
Erleada	FDA approved indication(s)
Ertaczo	FDA approved indication(s)
Exelderm	FDA approved indication(s)
Pegvaliase	FDA approved indication(s)
Symdeko	FDA approved indication(s)
Tavalisse	FDA approved indication(s)
Xtampza ER	FDA approved indication(s)

* Summary of criteria and additional information available with our authorization forms.

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Responsible Steps – Newly added medications

Certain drugs are not covered unless a member tries another FDA approved drug first. If an alternate drug is not recommended or the member had other insurance when they tried the alternate drug, their doctor can submit an [authorization form to request an exception](#). This only applies to members enrolled in health plans that are part of the responsible steps program.

Program	Program Changes
Rho Kinase Inhibitors	Add Rhopressa

Pharmacy Coverage Exclusions – Newly added medications

Below is a list of brand name medications that Florida Blue will no longer cover. Instead, we'll cover many of the generic alternatives. This exclusion list only applies to members enrolled in health plans that allow pharmacy coverage exclusions.

Drugs Excluded From Coverage			
Admelog	Azelex cream	Calcipotriene/betamethasone	Carbinoxamine 6mg
Clenpiq	Cyclobenzaprine 7.5mg	Doxycycline 75mg, 150mg	Impoyz
Lyrica CR	Methylphenidate ER 72mg	Naproxen suspension	Siklos
Tyrosint	Vuyzulta	Zypitamag	

Responsible Quantity – Newly added medications

The following drugs will now have quantity and dosing limits. For the medications on the responsible quantity list, there is a maximum quantity that is covered during a given time period. The member's doctor can submit an [authorization form](#) for an exception to quantity limits. This applies only to members who are enrolled in health plans that are part of the Responsible Quantity Program.

Brand/Generic Name	Strength	Dispensing Limit Per Month (unless noted otherwise)
Drugs Added to the Program		
Bonjesta		30 tabs
Cimduo		30 tabs
EMLA		60 grams
Imbruvica	All strengths	30 caps
Naloxone nasal		2 doses
Suboxone film	8mg	90 films
Symfi		30 tabs
Symfi Lo		30 tabs
Tasigna	50mg	120 caps
Zypitamag	1mg, 2mg	45 tabs
Zypitamag	3mg	30 tabs