



November 2022 Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee Decisions

UCare’s Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee (P&T) is a group of physicians and pharmacists that meet throughout the year to make changes to UCare formularies (approved drug list). These changes are reviewed based on clinical evidence, safety, and therapeutic guidelines. All changes that are recommended by P&T for the Medicare formularies are tentative until UCare receives final CMS approval.

Key:

Medicare: UCare Medicare, UCare Medicare with Fairview and North Memorial, UCare Group Medicare, EssentiaCare, Minnesota Senior Health Options (MSHO) & Connect + Medicare

Medicaid: PMAP, MnCare, MSC+ & Connect

Exchange: UCare Individual and Family Plans

F: Formulary

NF: Non-formulary

PA: Prior Authorization

QL: Quantity Limit

ST: Step Therapy

New Drug Review			
Drug	Indication	Formulary Coverage	Effective Date
Epsolay 5% cream pump (benzoyl peroxide)	to treat inflammatory lesions of rosacea in adults	Medicare: Non-Formulary Medicaid: Non-Formulary Exchange: Non-Formulary	N/A
Tyvaso DPI Cartridge (treprostinil)	1) pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH) World Health Organization (WHO) Group 1 to improve exercise ability; and 2) pulmonary hypertension associated with interstitial lung disease (ILD) [WHO Group 3] to improve exercise ability	Medicare: Non-Formulary Medicaid: Non-Formulary Exchange: Non-Formulary	N/A
Vivjoa (oteseconazole)	to reduce the incidence of recurrent vulvovaginal candidiasis (RVVC) in females with a history of RVVC who are not of reproductive potential	Medicare: Non-Formulary Medicaid: Non-Formulary Exchange: Non-Formulary	N/A
Hyftor Gel (sirolimus)	treatment of facial angiofibromas for patients who have tuberous sclerosis complex (TSC) and who are at least six years old.	Medicare: Non-Formulary Medicaid: Non-Formulary Exchange: Non-Formulary	N/A

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Voquezna Dual and Triple Pak (vonoprazan/amoxicillin/clarithromycin)	Indicated for treating adults who have Helicobacter pylori (H. pylori) infections.	Medicare: Non-Formulary Medicaid: Non-Formulary Exchange: Non-Formulary	N/A
Vtama (tapinarof)	topical treatment of plaque psoriasis in adults	Medicare: Non-Formulary Medicaid: Non-Formulary Exchange: Non-Formulary	N/A
Ztalmy (ganaxolone) PROTECTED CLASS	treatment of seizures associated with cyclin-dependent kinase-like 5 (CDKL5) deficiency disorder (CDD) in patients greater or equal to 2 years of age	Medicare: Formulary Medicaid: Non-Formulary Exchange: Formulary	12/1/2022

Formulary changes for New Generics, New Indications and Miscellaneous Previously Reviewed drugs are effective 12/1/2022.

New Indications Review

Drug	Current formulary status	Recommendation
Nubira – mHSPC w/ docetaxel	Medicare-F, Medicaid-P, HIX-F	Medicare-F, Medicaid-P, HIX-F
Dupixent – atopic dermatitis 6mo+	Medicare-F, Medicaid-F, HIX-F	Medicare-F, Medicaid-F, HIX-F
Xalkori – ALK+ inflammatory myofibroblastic tumor	Medicare-F, Medicaid-F, HIX- F	Medicare-F, Medicaid-F, HIX-F
Diacomit – Dravet 6mo+	Medicare-F, Medicaid-NP, HIX-F	Medicare-F, Medicaid-NP, HIX-F
Benlysta - lupus nephritis 5yr+	Medicare-F, Medicaid-P, HIX-F	Medicare-F, Medicaid-P, HIX-F
Stelara – Psoriatic arthritis 6yr+	Medicare-F, Medicaid-NP, HIX-F	Medicare-F, Medicaid-NP, HIX-F
Rebinyn - routine bleeding prophylaxis hemophilia B	Medicare-NF, Medicaid-NF, HIX-NF	Medicare-NF, Medicaid-NF, HIX-NF
Lenvima – pMMR endometrial carcinoma w/ Keytruda	Medicare-NF, Medicaid-NP, HIX-NF	Medicare-NF, Medicaid-NP, HIX-NF
Mirena – use up to 8 yrs	Medicare-NF, Medicaid-NF, HIX-NF	Medicare-NF, Medicaid-NF, HIX-NF
Imbruvica – cGVHD 1yr+	Medicare-F, Medicaid-F, HIX-F	Medicare-F, Medicaid-F, HIX-F
Pemazyre – myeloid/lymphoid	Medicare-F, Medicaid-F, HIX-F	Medicare-F, Medicaid-F, HIX-F

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neoplasms with FGFR1 rearrangement		
Orkambi – CF 1 yr+	Medicare-F, Medicaid-F, HIX-F	Medicare-F, Medicaid-F, HIX- F
Lynparza – BRCA mutated advanced ovarian cancer	Medicare-F, Medicaid-F, HIX-F	Medicare-F, Medicaid-F, HIX-F
Xoflu– influenza 5yr+	Medicare-F, Medicaid-NP, HIX-F	Medicare-F, Medicaid-NP, HIX-F
Opzulea - vitiligo	Medicare-NF, Medicaid-NF, HIX-NF	Medicare-NF, Medicaid-NF, HIX-NF
Myfembree – endometriosis pain	Medicare-NF, Medicaid-NF, HIX-NF	Medicare-NF, Medicaid-NF, HIX-NF
Olumiant – hospitalized Covid-19, alopecia areata	Medicare-NF, Medicaid-NF, HIX-NF	Medicare-NF, Medicaid-NF, HIX-NF
Imcivree – Bardet-Biedle	Medicare-NF, Medicaid-NF, HIX-NF	Medicare-NF, Medicaid-NF, HIX-NF
Qsymia – weight loss 12+	Medicare-NF, Medicaid-NF, HIX-NF	Medicare-NF, Medicaid-NF, HIX-NF
Humira biosimilars – pJIRA 2+, CD 6+	Medicare-NF, Medicaid-NF, HIX-NF	Medicare-NF, Medicaid-NF, HIX-NF

New Generics Review

Drug	Current formulary status	Recommendation
Fenoprofen (Naflon)	Medicare-NF, Medicaid-NF, HIX-NF	Medicare-NF, Medicaid-NF, HIX-NF
Dabigatran (Pradaxa)	Medicare-F, Medicaid-F, HIX-NF	Medicare-NF, Medicaid-NF, HIX-NF
Lenalidomide (Revlimid)	Medicare-F, Medicaid-F, HIX-F	Medicare-NF, Medicaid-F, HIX-F
Bexarotene gel (Targretin)	Medicare-F, Medicaid-F, HIX-F	Medicare-F, Medicaid-F, HIX-F

Miscellaneous Previously Reviewed Items

Drug	Rationale/Alternative	Recommendation
Hydrocortisone-pramoxine suppository	Hydrocortisone AC, hydrocortisone-pramoxine	NF all lines of business
Sulfacetamide-sulfur suspension	Sulfacetamide-sulfur solution	NF all lines of business
Byooviz	bevacizumab	NF all lines of business
Aspruzyo sprinkle ER (ranolazine)	Ranolazine ER tablet	NF all lines of business

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Meloxicam suspension	Meloxicam tablet	NF all lines of business
Synjoynt syringe	Euflexxa, Synvisc, Synvisc One	NF all lines of business
Venlafaxine ER tablet (112.5mg)	Venlafaxine ER	NF all lines of business
Quetiapine tablet (150mg)	Quetiapine tablet	NF all lines of business
Entadfi capsule (finasteride/tadalafil)	Finasteride, tadalafil	NF all lines of business
Priorix (MMR) vial	Generally add all vaccines	F all lines of business

Additional Items Reviewed

Item	Action
New Medical Drug Policies (effective 1/15/2023)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Imjudo • Pedmark • Rolvedon • Spevigo • Xenpozyme • Zynteglo