

Virginia Preferred Drug List (PDL) / Common Core Formulary QuickList

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General Information:

- Virginia Medicaid's Preferred Drug List (PDL) only includes select drug classes
- PDL preferred drugs do not require Service Authorizations (SA) unless subject to additional clinical criteria (e.g., long acting opioids, hepatitis C therapies, growth hormone)
- Non-preferred drugs require a SA
- Drugs not on the PDL are subject to Virginia's mandatory generic substitution requirements.
- SAs may be submitted by fax, phone or WebPA. For urgent requests, please call **800-932-6648**. Fax requests receive a response within 24 hours. **Fax: 800-932-6651**.

PDL drug coverage information can be found at <http://www.VirginiaMedicaidPharmacyServices.com>. The following "routine" PDL criteria guidelines will be applied to all non-preferred drugs.

1. Is there any reason the member cannot be changed to a preferred drug within the same class? Acceptable reasons include:
 - Allergy to preferred drug.
 - Contraindication to or drug-to-drug interaction with preferred drug.
 - History of unacceptable/toxic side effects to preferred drug.
 - Member's condition is clinically stable; changing to a preferred drug might cause deterioration of the member's condition.
2. The requested drug may be approved if both of the following are true:
 - There has been a therapeutic failure of at least **two** preferred drugs **within the same class as appropriate for diagnosis unless otherwise noted in the clinical criteria**. A therapeutic failure of only one preferred drug is required when there is only one preferred drug within a therapeutic class.
 - The requested drug's corresponding generic (if a generic is available and covered by the State) has been attempted **and** failed or is contraindicated.

ALL new preferred changes from last posting will be highlighted in yellow.

LEGEND

CE = clinical edit, ST = step edit, QL = quantity limit, AG = age edit, cap = capsule, cr = cream, ER = extended release, inj = injection, IR = immediate release, ODT = oral disintegrating tablet, oint = ointment, soln = solution, supp = suppository, susp = suspension, tab = tablet

**Members currently receiving aripiprazole oral solution, Geodon® (IM), Nuplazid or olanzapine/fluoxetine will be "grandfathered" for a period not to exceed one year. After that time, the prescriber will need to submit a service authorization request documenting the medical necessity of the non-preferred drug.

I. Analgesics	
Agents for Opioid Dependency	Long Acting Opioids (CE, QL) Long Acting Opioids SA Form Long Acting Opioids Daily Dose Limits Form
buprenorphine SL (CE, QL) Oral Buprenorphine Products SA & Daily Dose Limits Form	Butrans® (buprenorphine) transdermal patch fentanyl 12, 25, 50, 75 & 100 mcg patches
Suboxone® film (CE, QL) Oral Buprenorphine Products SA & Daily Dose Limits Form	morphine sulfate ER tab
Sublocade™ SQ- fax form	Short Acting Opioids (CE, QL) Short Acting Opioids SA Form Short Acting Opioids Daily Dose Limits Form
naloxone syringe & vial, naltrexone tab	codeine/APAP
Narcan® Nasal Spray	hydrocodone/APAP
Vivitrol®	hydrocodone/ibuprofen
Neuropathic Pain	hydromorphone
capsaicin OTC topical	morphine IR
duloxetine 20, 30 & 60 mg	oxycodone IR
gabapentin cap, soln, tab	oxycodone/APAP
lidocaine 5% patch	tramadol HCl
pregabalin	tramadol HCl/APAP
Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drugs (NSAIDs)	
Children's Motrin® susp (OTC)	
ibuprofen cap, ibuprofen tab (OTC & Rx)	
Infant's ibuprofen drops, susp (OTC)	
meloxicam tab	
naproxen tab & naproxen sodium OTC	
naproxen EC (Rx)	
sulindac	
diclofenac sodium 1% gel	

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II. Anti-Infectives	
Antibiotics: Cephalosporins Oral	Antifungals: Oral
cefaclor cap cefdinir cap/susp cefprozil tab/susp cefuroxime tab	fluconazole tab/susp griseofulvin susp nystatin tab/susp terbinafine
Antibiotics: GI	Antifungals: Topical
Firvanq™ metronidazole tab vancomycin cap	ciclopirox soln clotrimazole cr (OTC & Rx) clotrimazole soln (OTC) clotrimazole-betamethasone cr ketoconazole cr & shampoo miconazole cr & spray (OTC) nystatin cr/oint/powder terbinafine cr (OTC) tolnaftate cr/powder/soln (OTC)
Antibiotics: Inhaled (AG, QL)	
Bethkis® Kitabis™ PAK Tobi Podhaler® (ST)	
Antibiotics: Macrolides	
azithromycin pack, susp, tab clarithromycin tab/susp E.E.S.® 200 susp Eryped® 200 susp erythromycin base cap DR erythromycin stearate tab	Antivirals: Hepatitis C Agents – (CE) Mavyret™ (CE) Mavyret SA Form Peg-Intron® & Peg-Intron Redipen® sofosbuvir /velpatasvir
	Antivirals: Herpes Orals acyclovir cap/tab/susp famciclovir valacyclovir
Antibiotics: Otic	Antivirals: Herpes Topical
Ciprodex® ofloxacin neomycin/polymyxin/hc soln/sus	Abreva OTC® Zovirax® cr
Antibiotics: Quinolones	
ciprofloxacin susp, tab levofloxacin tab	Antivirals: Influenza amantadine cap, tab, syrup oseltamivir susp oseltamivir cap
Antibiotics: Topical	
mupirocin ointment	
Antibiotics: Vaginal	
Cleocin® Ovules Clindesse® cr metronidazole gel Nuversa™ Vandazole™ gel	

III. Blood Modifiers	
Bile Salts	Phosphate Binders
ursodiol 300 mg tab and cap	calcium acetate 667mg cap sevelamer carbonate tablet

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IV. Bone Resorption Suppression and Related Agents

Bisphosphonates, Calcitonins and Others

alendronate tab
 calcitonin-salmon nasal
 ibandronate
 raloxifene

V. Cardiovascular

Antihypertensive Agents

Afedritab CR®
 amlodipine & amlodipine/benazepril
amlodipine / olmesartan
 amlodipine/valsartan
 atenolol & atenolol/chlorthalidone
 benazepril & benazepril/HCTZ
 bisoprolol
 bisoprolol/HCTZ
 Cartia XT®
 carvedilol
 Catapres®-TTS
 clonidine tab
 diltiazem IR, ER, q12HR & 24HR
 enalapril & enalapril/HCTZ
 Entresto™ (CE, QL)
 guanfacine
 irbesartan & irbesartan/HCTZ
 labetalol
 lisinopril & lisinopril/HCTZ
 losartan & losartan/HCTZ
 methyl dopa
 metoprolol succinate & metoprolol tartrate
 Nifedical XL®
 nifedipine IR, ER
 olmesartan & olmesartan/HCTZ
 propranolol tab & ER/soln
quinapril
 ramipril
 reserpine
 Sorine®
 sotalol HCL, AF
 Taztia XT®
 valsartan & valsartan/HCTZ
 verapamil tab IR & ER

Lipotropics

atorvastatin
 cholestyramine powder & cholestyramine powder light
 colestipol tab
 fenofibrate 48mg, 145mg
 gemfibrozil
 lovastatin
 niacin ER (Rx)
Omega-3 Acid Ethyl EstersRX (ST)& OTC
 pravastatin
 Prevalite®
 rosuvastatin
 simvastatin
 ezetimibe

Pulmonary Arterial Hypertensin Agents (PAH)

ambrisentan
Revatio Susp (AG, CE)
 sildenafil tab (AG, CE)
 tadalafil
 Tracleer® tab
 Ventavis®

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VI. Central Nervous System

Alzheimer's Agents	Antipsychotics (AG) <u>Antipsychotics Age Limits Form</u>
donepezil ODT & tab Exelon® transderm memantine tab	Abilify Maintena® amitriptyline/perphenazine aripiprazole tab
Anticonvulsants	Aristada®
carbamazepine chewable tab/susp/tab carbamazepine ER, XR clobazam tab (generic Onfi®tab) clonazepam diazepam (rectal), diazepam device (rectal) Dilantin® cap divalproex ER, divalproex tab & sprinkle Epidiolex® ethosuximide cap/syrup felbamate susp/tab Gabitril® lamotrigine tab, chewable tab & lamotrigine XR levetiracetam ER, levetiracetam soln & tab oxcarbazepine susp & tab phenobarbital elixir & tab phenytoin cap/chew tab/susp & phenytoin ext cap primidone topiramate tab & sprinkle valproic acid Valtoco® (Nasal) Vimpat® soln/tab zonisamide	Aristada Initio™ chlorpromazine clozapine tab fluphenazine decanoate haloperidol decanoate, haloperidol lactate conc & haloperidol tab Invega Sustenna® & Invega Trinza® Latuda® loxapine olanzapine (IM), olanzapine ODT/tab perphenazine quetiapine tab & quetiapine fumarate ER Risperdal Consta® risperidone ODT/ soln/tab thioridazine thiothixene trifluoperazine ziprasidone capsule
Antidepressants	Non-Ergot Dopamine Receptor Agonists
bupropion IR, SR & XL citalopram soln/tab desvenlafaxine succinate ER escitalopram tab fluoxetine cap/soln fluvoxamine mirtazapine ODT & tab paroxetine tab sertraline conc , tab trazodone venlafaxine IR & ER cap	pramipexole ropinirole HCl
Antimigraine Agents	sedatives / hypnotics
sumatriptan succinate tab/cartridge/nasal/vial/pen rizatriptan tab & MLT	eszopiclone temazepam 15 & 30 mg
Antimigraine Agents, Others	Skeletal Muscle Relaxants
Emgality™ Syringe Emgality™ Pen Ubrelvy (ORAL)	zaleplon Zaleplon® zolpidem baclofen chlorzoxazone cyclobenzaprine HCL dantrolene sodium methocarbamol tizanidine tab
	Stimulants / ADHD (AG) <u>Stimulants/ADHD Medications Age Limits Form</u>
	Adderall®XR amphetamine salts combo atomoxetine clonidine ER Concerta® Daytrana® Transdermal dextroamphetamine Focalin XR® & IR guanfacine ER methylphenidate IR Vyvanse® cap/chewable tab

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VII. Dermatologics	
Topical Acne Agents (AG)	Topical Agents for Rosacea
benzoyl peroxide wash/cr/gel/lot (OTC) clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide (generic Duac®) Clindamycin phosphate soln/swab Differin 0.1% gel OTC erythromycin solution Panoxyl-4 Acne Cr Wash (OTC) Panoxyl 10 OTC Retin®A 0.025, 0.05, 0.1% cr Retin®A 0.01, 0.025% gel	Metrocream® Metrogel® Metrolotion®
Topical Atopic Dermatitis	Topical Steroids
Elidel® (CE)	betamethasone valerate cr/lot/oint clobetasol emollient & clobetasol propionate cr /gel /oint /soln fluticasone propionate cr/oint halobetasol propionate cr hydrocortisone butyrate cr/oint/soln/ emollient hydrocortisone cr/gel/lot/oint mometasone furoate cr/oint/soln triamcinolone acetonide cr/lot/oint
Topical Agents for Psoriasis	
calcipotriene cr/oint/soln	

VIII. Endocrine and Metabolic Agents	
Androgenic Agents (CE)	Glucocorticoids, Oral
testosterone Pump (generic for AndroGel® Pump)	budesonide EC dexamethasone soln/tab hydrocortisone methylprednisolone 4mg tab & methylprednisolone tab dose pack prednisolone sodium phosphate soln prednisolone soln prednisone soln/tab & dose pack
Antihyperuricemics	
allopurinol colchicine caps Probenecid® & probenecid & colchicine	
Contraceptives (long-acting IUDs & injectable)	Growth Hormone Agents (CE) Growth Hormone SA Form
Kyleena™ Liletta® Medroxyprogesterone 150mg Mirena® Nexplanon® Paragard® Skyla®	Genotropin® Norditropin FlexPro®
Diabetes: Injectable Hypoglycemics	Hereditary Angioedema Agents (HAE) – (CE,QL) Hereditary Angioedema (HAE) SA & Quantity Limits Form
Bydureon™ Byetta® Humalog Cartridge Humalog Junior Kwikpen Humalog Mix Pen Humalog Mix 50/50 vial & Humalog Mix 75/25 vial Humalog Pen& vial Humulin 500 U/M pen/vial Humulin® 70/30 pen/vial Humulin® N vial (OTC) Humulin® R vial Lantus® Solostar® Lantus® vial Levemir®pen/vial insulin lispro vial (AG) Novolog® cartridge Novolog® Flexpen/vial Novolog® Mix 70/30 pen/vial Victoza®	Beriner® Cinryze™ Kalbitor®
	Progestational Agents
	hydroxyprogesterone caproate SDV Makena® Auto-injector medroxyprogesterone acetate (tab only) norethindrone acetate progesterone cap & injection

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VIII. Endocrine and Metabolic Agents	
	Progestins Used for Cachexia megestrol acetate
Diabetes: Oral Hypoglycemics acarbose FaRxiga™ (AG) glimepiride glipizide IR & ER glyburide & micronized glyburide/metformin Glyxambi® (AG) Invokamet Invokamet XR Invokana™ (AG) Janumet® & Janumet XR® Januvia® Jardiance® (AG) Jentadueto™ metformin & metformin ER nateglinide pioglitazone repaglinide Synjardy® (AG) Tradjenta™ Xlgduo XR	Vaginal / Oral Estrogens Premarin® Vaginal cr Vagifem® Vaginal tab

IX. Gastrointestinal	
Antiemetic / Antivertigo Agents dronabinol (CE) Dronabinol SA Form meclizine metoclopramide ondansetron ODT, sol , tab prochlorperazine promethazine (AG)	Pancreatic Enzymes (CE) Creon® Zenpep®
	Proton Pump Inhibitors (CE after 90 days utilization) Proton Pump Inhibitors (PPIs) omeprazole Rx pantoprazole
	Ulcerative Colitis Oral and Rectal Apriso® balsalazide disodium Pentasa® sulfasalazine DR & IR mesalamine rectal supp mesalamine enema
GI Motility, Chronic (CE) Bowel Disorder Medications SA Form Amitiza® Linzess™ Movantik®	
H. Pylori Treatment Pylera®	
Histamine-2 Receptor Antagonists famotidine (OTC & Rx) ranitidine tab/syrup (OTC & Rx)	

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X. Hematopoietic Agents	
Anticoagulants	Platelet Inhibitors
Eliquis™ enoxaparin Jantoven Pradaxa® warfarin Xarelto® & Xarelto® Starter Pack	Brilinta® clopidogrel dipyridamole prasugrel (generic Effient®) ticlopidine HCL
Erythropoiesis Stimulating Proteins	
Epogen® Retacrit™	

XI. Immunologic Agents	
Cytokine and CAM Antagonists	Multiple Sclerosis Agents
Enbrel® Humira® methotrexate tab/PF vial/MDV vial	Avonex® & Adm Pack Betaseron® Copaxone 20 mg syringe® Gilenya® (ST) Rebif® SQ & Rebif Rebi dose Pen®

XII. Ophthalmics	
Antibiotics	Anti-inflammatory Agents
bacitracin/polymyxin B sulfate oint ciprofloxacin drops erythromycin gentamicin drops/oint moxifloxacin (Vigamox generic) ofloxacin drops polymyxin/trimethoprim tobramycin	diclofenac sodium Durezol® fluorometholone flurbiprofen sodium ketorolac 0.4% & 0.5% prednisolone acetate
Antibiotic / Steroid Combinations	Glaucoma Agents
neomycin/polymyxin/dexamethasone oint/susp sulfacetamide/prednisolone Tobradex® oint/susp	Alphagan P® 0.1 & 0.15% Azopt® 1% brimonidine 0.2% carteolol 1% Combigan® dorzolamide & dorzolamide/timolol latanoprost levobunolol 0.5% metipranolol 0.3% Rhopressa® Rocklatan® Simbrinza™ timolol maleate Travatan Z®
Antihistamines / Mast Cell Stabilizers	
Alaway OTC® ketotifen fumerate olopatadine (PatanoL, Pataday generics) Pazeo® Zaditor® OTC drops cromolyn sodium	

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XIII. Renal and Genitourinary	
Alpha-Blockers and Androgen Hormone Inhibitors for Benign Prostatic Hypertrophy (BPH)	Urinary Antispasmodics (Bladder Relaxants)
alfuzosin tamsulosin HCL dutasteride finasteride	oxybutynin tab & ER/syrup solifenacin Toviaz™
XIV. Respiratory/Allergy	
Anaphylaxis Therapy Agents	Corticosteroids: Inhaled and Nasal Steroids
epinephrine 0.15mg & 0.3mg (authorized generic EpiPen & EpiPen Jr)	Advair® Diskus & HFA (AG)
Antihistamines	Asmanex®
First Generation	budesonide respules
Generic only class	Dulera® (AG)
Second Generation	Flovent® Diskus & HFA
cetirizine liquid 1mg/1ml (OTC & Rx) & cetirizine tabs OTC	Pulmicort Flexhaler®
levocetirizine tablets (RX, OTC)	Symbicort® (AG)
loratadine tab/syrup OTC	
Beta-Adrenergic Agents	Cough and Cold Drugs (AG)
Foradil® (AG)	Ala-Hist DM
Serevent Diskus® (AG)	benzonatate cap
Proair® HFA	codeine/ promethazine
Ventolin® HFA	guaifenesin/codeine phosphate
albuterol sulfate (premixed)	hydrocodone/homatropine
COPD	lophen-C NR
Atrovent HFA®	phenylephrine HCl/promethazine HCl
Anoro® Ellipta®	promethazine DM syrup
Bevespi Aerosphere™	Tusnel® Pediatric Drops
Combivent® Respimat	Intranasal Antihistamines
ipratropium bromide soln	azelastine 0.1%
ipratropium/albuterol nebs	
Spiriva®	Leukotriene Receptor Antagonists
Stiolto® Respimat®	montelukast tab/chew tab
XV. Smoking Cessation	
bupropion SR Chantix® Chantix® DS PK nicotine gum/lozenge/patch	

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