

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.
- Drugs with Physician Administered Drug (PAD) Criteria are medical benefit drugs and may be submitted through the medical benefit.
- 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, **AGE** = age edit, **cap** = capsule, **cr** = cream, **ER** = extended release, **inj** = injection, **IR** = immediate release, **ODT** = oral disintegrating tablet, **oint** = ointment, **PAD** = Physician Administered Drug, **soln** = solution, **supp** = suppository, **susp** = suspension, **tab** = tablet

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

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I. Analgesics	
ibuprofen cap ibuprofen tab 100mg, 200mg, 400mg, 600mg, 800mg (OTC & Rx) Infant's ibuprofen drops meloxicam tab naproxen tab & naproxen sodium OTC & naproxen EC (Rx) sulindac diclofenac sodium 1% gel Rx and OTC	
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
metronidazole 250mg, 500mg tab vancomycin cap vancomycin for reconstitution oral soln kit (Firvanq™ soln)	antifungal 1% cr, powder antifungal 2% cr ciclofan 8% soln ciclopirox soln clotrimazole cr (OTC & Rx) clotrimazole soln (Rx) clotrimazole-betamethasone cr ketoconazole cr & shampoo Klayesta powder miconazole cr & spray (OTC)
Antibiotics: Inhaled (AGE, QL)	nystatin cr/oint/powder Nystop powder terbinafine cr (OTC) tolnaftate cr/powder (OTC)
Antibiotics: Macrolides	
azithromycin pack, susp, tab clarithromycin tab/susp erythromycin base tab DR erythromycin ethylsuccinate 200 mg susp erythromycin stearate	Antivirals: Hepatitis C Agents – Preferred agents do not require submission of any SA. Mavyret™, Mavyret™ Pellet packs Antivirals: Hepatitis B Agents entecavir (generic for Baraclude®) tab Antivirals: Herpes Orals acyclovir cap/tab/susp famciclovir valacyclovir
Antibiotics: Otic	Antivirals: Herpes Topical
ciprofloxacin/dexamethasone ofloxacin neomycin/polymyxin/hc soln/sus	acyclovir oint docosanol
Antibiotics: Quinolones	
ciprofloxacin susp, tab	Antivirals: HIV/AIDS

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II. Anti-Infectives

levofloxacin tab

abacavir tab/soln
abacavir-lamivudine tab
abacavir-lamivudine-zidov tab
Apretude
atazanavir sulfate cap
Biktarvy® tab
Cabenuva
Cimduo® tab
Complera® tab
darunavir
Delstrigo™ tab
Descovy® tab
Dovato® tab
Edurant® tab
efavirenz tab
efavir-emtri-tenof tab
emtricitabine cap
emtricitabine-tenofv
Emtriva™ cap/soln
Epivir® soln
etravirine tab
Evotaz® tab
fosamprenavir tab/susp
Genvoya® tab
Intelence® tab
Isentress® chew tab/ tab/powder pack
Juluca® tab
Kaletra® soln
lamivudine tab/soln
lamivudine-zidovudine tab
lopinavir-ritonavir tab
Maraviroc
nevirapine IR tab/ ER tab/susp
Norvir® powder pack
Odefsey® tab
Pifeltro™ tab
Prezcobix® tab
Retrovir® cap/vial
Reyataz® powder pack
rilpivirine ER vial
ritonavir tab/soln
Rukobia™ ER tab
Selzentry® tab/soln
Stribild® tab
Sunlenca® tab/vial
Symfi® and Symfi Lo® tab
Symtuza® tab
Temixys™ tab
tenofovir disoproxil fum tab
Tivicay® tab/tab for susp

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II. Anti-Infectives	
	Triumeq® tab Triumeq® PD Truvada® tab Tybost® tab Viramune® tab Viread® powder Vocabria Yeztugo® Ziagen® soln zidovudine tab/cap/syrup
	Antivirals: Influenza
	oseltamivir susp/cap
Antibiotics: Topical	Antivirals: COVID-19
mupirocin ointment	Paxlovid
Antibiotics: Vaginal	
Cleocin® Ovules Clindesse® cr metronidazole gel Nuessa™	

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III. Blood Modifiers	
Bile Salts	Colony Stimulating Factors
tixursodiol tab and cap	Neupogen syringe and vial Fulphila
Hemophilia Treatment	
Factor VIII Products: Advate® Adynovate® Afstyl® Alphanate® Eloctate® Esperoct® Hemofil-M® Humate-P® Jivi® Koate-DVI® Kogenate FS® Kovaltry® Novoeight® Nuwiq® Obizur® Recombinate® Xyntha® Kit & Solofuse Syr Factor IX Products: AlphaNine SD® Alprolix® BeneFIX® Idelvion® Ixinity® Profilnine SD® Rebiny® Rixubis®	Factor VIIa & Activated Prothrombin Complex Concentrate: Feiba NF® NovoSeven RT® Sevenfact® Factor IXa and Factor X Directed Antibody: Hemlibra® Factor X and Factor XIII Products: Coagadex® Corifact® Kit Tretten® Antithrombin Lowering Agents: Qfitlia Prothrombin Complex Concentrate: Balfaxar® Tissue Factor Pathway Inhibitor Antagonist: Alhemo® Hympavzi™ Von Willebrand: Vonvendi® Wilate®
Phosphate Binders	Sickle Cell Anemia Treatments- Preferred agents do not require submission of any SA, except for Siklos in members 18 and older and Xromi in members 2 and older)
calcium acetate 667 mg cap calcium acetate 668 mg sevelamer carbonate tablet	Droxia Endari Siklos Xromi

IV. Bone Resorption Suppression and Related Agents	
Bisphosphonates, Calcitonins and Others	
alendronate tab calcitonin-salmon nasal Enoby ibandronate raloxifene Xtrenbo	

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V. Cardiovascular	
Antihypertensive Agents	Lipotropics
amlodipine & amlodipine/benazepril amlodipine/olmesartan amlodipine/valsartan atenolol & atenolol/chlorthalidone benazepril & benazepril/HCTZ bisoprolol & bisoprolol/HCTZ Cartia XT® carvedilol diltiazem IR, ER, q12HR & 24HR enalapril & enalapril/HCTZ irbesartan & irbesartan/HCTZ labetalol lisinopril & lisinopril/HCTZ losartan & losartan/HCTZ metoprolol succinate & metoprolol tartrate nadolol nebivolol nifedipine IR, ER olmesartan & olmesartan/HCTZ propranolol tab & ER/soln ramipril sacubitril/valsartan sotalol HCL, AF telmisartan & telmisartan/HCTZ valsartan & valsartan/HCTZ verapamil tab IR & ER	atorvastatin cholestyramine powder & cholestyramine powder light colestipol tab ezetimibe fenofibrate 48 mg, 145 mg gemfibrozil icosapent ethyl (gen Vascepa®) lovastatin niacin ER Omega-3 Acid Ethyl Esters RX Omega-3 OTC pravastatin Prevalite® rosuvastatin simvastatin
	Pulmonary Arterial Hypertensin Agents (PAH)
	Alyq™ ambrisentan sildenafil tab/susp tadalafil Tracleer® tab Ventavis®

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VI. Central Nervous System	
Alzheimer's Agents	Antipsychotics (AGE) <u>Antipsychotics Age Limits Form</u>
donepezil ODT & tab	Abilify Asimtufii®
rivastigmine (transderm)	Abilify Maintena®
memantine tab	amitriptyline/perphenazine
Anticonvulsants	aripiprazole tab
carbamazepine chewable tab/susp/tab	Aristada®
carbamazepine ER	Aristada Initio™
Carbatrol®	chlorpromazine
clobazam tab/susp	clozapine tab
clonazepam tab	Erzofri®
diazepam rectal & Device rectal	fluphenazine decanoate
Dilantin 30mg	fluphenazine elixir/soln/tab
Depakote Sprinkle	haloperidol decanoate, haloperidol lactate conc & haloperidol tab
divalproex ER, divalproex tab	Invega Hafyera™, Sustenna®, Trinza®
Epidiolex®	loxapine
Epitol	lurasidone
ethosuximide cap/syrup	olanzapine ODT, tab, IM
lacosamide soln/tab (gen Vimpat®)	paliperidone ER
lamotrigine tab, chewable tab, & lamotrigine XR	perphenazine
levetiracetam ER, levetiracetam soln & tab	Perseris™
Nayzilam®	quetiapine tab & quetiapine fumarate ER
oxcarbazepine tab	Risperdal Consta®
phenobarbital elixir & tab	risperidone ODT/ soln/tab
phenytoin cap/chew tab/susp & phenytoin ext cap	thioridazine
primidone	thiothixene
roweepra (generic version levetiracetam)	trifluoperazine
Sezaby	Uzedly™
subvenite tab (generic lamotrigine)	Vraylar™
Tegretol®XR	ziprasidone capsule, vial
topiramate tab & 15, 25 mg sprinkle cap	Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy
Trileptal® susp	Emflaza tab & suspension
valproic acid cap, soln	Movement Disorders
Valtoco Nasal Spray®	Austedo® tablet
zonisamide	Austedo XR® tab
Antidepressants	Austedo XR® titration pack
bupropion IR, SR & XL	Ingrezza capsule/Sprinkle
citalopram soln/tab	Ingrezza initiation pack
desvenlafaxine succinate ER	tetrabenazine tablet
escitalopram tab	Non-Ergot Dopamine Receptor Agonists
fluoxetine cap/soln	pramipexole
fluvoxamine tab	ropinirole HCl
mirtazapine ODT & tab	Sedatives / hypnotics
paroxetine tab	eszopiclone
sertraline conc, soln, tab	temazepam 15 & 30 mg
trazodone	zaleplon
venlafaxine IR & ER cap	zolpidem
vilazodone tab	Skeletal Muscle Relaxants

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VI. Central Nervous System	
Antimigraine Agents	baclofen
sumatriptan succinate tab/cartridge/vial/pen	cyclobenzaprine HCL
rizatriptan tab & MLT	methocarbamol
Antimigraine Agents, Others	tizanidine tab
Aimovig™	
Ajovy® Autoinjector & Syringe	Spinal Muscular Atrophy
Ajovy® Autoinjector 3-Pk	Evrysdi
Emgality™ Syringe	Spinraza (PAD)
Emgality™ Pen	Itvisma (PAD)
Nurtec™ ODT	Zolgensma (PAD)
Qulipta™	Stimulants / ADHD (AGE) <u>Stimulants/ADHD Medications Age Limits Form</u>
Ubrelyv®	amphetamine salts combo ER
	amphetamine salts combo
	atomoxetine
	clonidine ER
	dexmethylphenidate IR, XR
	dextroamphetamine tab
	dextroamphetamine cap SR
	guanfacine ER
	methylphenidate IR
	methylphenidate ER tab (Metadate ER tab)
	methylphenidate ER (Concerta)
	methylphenidate soln
	Vyvanse® cap
	Narcolepsy Drugs
	armodafinil
	modafinil
	Sunosi™

VII. Dermatologics	
Topical Acne Agents (AGE)	Topical Agents for Rosacea
Acne Medication gel, lot	metronidazole cr/gel
adapalene gel OTC	
benzoyl peroxide wash/cr/gel/lot (OTC)	
clindacin ETZ 1% pledget	Topical Steroids
clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide (generic Duac®)	betamethasone valerate cr/lot/oint
clindamycin phosphate soln/pledget/swab/gel/lotion	clobetasol emollient & clobetasol propionate cr /gel /oint /soln
erythromycin solution	fluticasone propionate cr/oint
tretinoin 0.025, 0.05, 0.1% cream	halobetasol propionate cr
Topical Atopic Dermatitis	hydrocortisone cr/gel/lot/oint

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VII. Dermatologics	
Adbry™ Dupixent® Ebglyss Eucrisa™ pimecrolimus tacrolimus Vtama	hydrocortisone cr/oint OTC hydrocortisone/aloe cr OTC 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	Glucagon Agents
testosterone pump (generic for AndroGel® Pump) testosterone packet (authorized generic for Vogelxo™)	Baqsimi nasal Gvoke pen, syringe, vial Proglycem suspension oral Zegalogue Autoinjector Zegalogue Syringe
Antihyperuricemics	
allopurinol 100mg and 300mg colchicine tab Probenecid® & probenecid & colchicine	
Contraceptives (long-acting IUDs & injectable)	
Depo-Provera® 104mg Kyleena™ Liletta® medroxyprogesterone 150 mg Mirena® Nexplanon® Paragard® Skyla®	Glucocorticoids, Oral budesonide EC dexamethasone soln/tab hydrocortisone methylprednisolone 4mg tab & methylprednisolone tab dose pack prednisolone sodium phosphate soln prednisolone soln prednisone soln/tab & dose pack
	Growth Hormone Agents (CE) Growth Hormone SA Form
	Genotropin® Cartridge, Miniquick Norditropin FlexPro®
	Hereditary Angioedema Agents (HAE) – (CE,QL) Hereditary Angioedema (HAE) SA & Quantity Limits Form
	Berinert® Cinryze™ icatibant (generic Firazyr®) Kalbitor® Sajazir™
Diabetes: Injectable Hypoglycemics	Progestational Agents
Humulin 500 U/M pen/vial Humulin® 70/30 pen/vial (OTC) Humulin® N pen/vial (OTC) Humulin® R pen/vial insulin aspart cartridge pen/vial insulin aspart/insulin aspart protamine insulin pen insulin aspart/insulin aspart protamine vial insulin lispro vial insulin lispro Jr. Kwikpen insulin lispro Pen insulin lispro protamine mix kwikpen (authorized generic) Lantus® Solostar® and vial	medroxyprogesterone acetate (tab only) norethindrone acetate progesterone cap & injection

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VIII. Endocrine and Metabolic Agents	
Toujeo Solostar® Pen Trulicity™ Victoza®	Vaginal / Oral Estrogens
	Premarin® Vaginal cr Vagifem® Vaginal tab
	Weight Management Agents
	orlistat Xenical phendimetrazine IR and ER phentermine benzphetamine diethylpropion IR and ER
Diabetes: Oral Hypoglycemics	
acarbose dapagliflozin glimepiride 1,2,4 mg tab glipizide IR & ER glyburide & micronized glyburide/metformin Glyxambi® Janumet® Januvia® Jardiance® Jentadueto™ Jentadueto XR™ metformin 500, 850, and 1000mg metformin ER (generic for Glucophage® XR) nateglinide pioglitazone repaglinide Synjardy® Synjardy® XR Tradjenta™ Trijardy™ XR Xigduo™ XR	

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IX. Gastrointestinal	
Antiemetic / Antivertigo Agents	Pancreatic Enzymes (CE)
Diclegis® dronabinol meclizine (OTC, Rx) metoclopramide soln, tab, vial ondansetron ODT, sol, tab prochlorperazine promethazine soln, syrp, tab, 12.5mg&25mg supp	Creon® Zenpep®
	Proton Pump Inhibitors (CE after 90 days utilization) <u>Proton Pump Inhibitors (PPIs)</u>
	omeprazole Rx pantoprazole Protonix® susp
	Ulcerative Colitis Oral and Rectal
GI Motility, Chronic (CE) <u>GI Motility, Chronic SA Form</u>	balsalazide disodium mesalamine ER (authorized generic of Apriso) Pentasa® sulfasalazine DR & IR mesalamine rectal supp mesalamine enema
Linzess™ lubiprostone and authorized generic Movantik®	
H. Pylori Treatment	
Pylera®	
Laxatives & Cathartics	
Gavilyte-C solution Gavilyte-G solution PEG 3350/electrolytes solution for reconstitution PEG-3350/Flavor Packs solution for reconstitution sodium, potassium, mag sulfates (authorized generic of Suprep) lactulose solution	

X. Hematopoietic Agents	
Anticoagulants	Platelet Inhibitors
dabigatran Eliquis™ tab, sprinkle cap, susp Eliquis™ Dose Pack enoxaparin Jantoven warfarin Xarelto® & Xarelto® Starter Pack, susp	clopidogrel dipyridamole prasugrel (generic Effient®) ticagrelor
Erythropoiesis Stimulating Proteins	
Epogen® Retacrit™(PFIZER)	

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XI. Immunologic Agents	
Cytokine and CAM Antagonists	Multiple Sclerosis Agents
adalimumab-adbm (unbranded version of Cyltezo made by Boehringer Ingelheim) Enbrel® Pen, Sureclick, Syringe, Vial Hadlima™ Pyzchiva® Syringe, Vial Starjemza™ Methotrexate: methotrexate tab/PF vial/MDV	Avonex® & Adm Pack Copaxone 20 mg syringe® dalfampridine ER dimethyl fumarate and Starter Pack fingolimod Kesimpta® teriflunomide

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

XIII. Renal and Genitourinary	
Alpha-Blockers and Androgen Hormone Inhibitors for Benign Prostatic Hypertrophy (BPH)	Urinary Antispasmodics (Bladder Relaxants)
alfuzosin tamsulosin HCL dutasteride finasteride	fesoterodine ER Myrbetriq tab oxybutynin tab/syrup & ER solifenacin

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XIV. Respiratory/Allergy	
Anaphylaxis Therapy Agents	Corticosteroids: Inhaled and Nasal Steroids
epinephrine 0.15 mg & 0.3 mg (authorized generic EpiPen & Epipen Jr)	Advair® Diskus & HFA
Epipen®	Arnuity™ Ellipta®
Epipen® Jr	Asmanex® Twisthaler & HFA
Antihistamines	budesonide respules
First Generation	Dulera®
Generic only class	Dymista®
Second Generation	fluticasone Rx and OTC
cetirizine liquid 1mg/1ml (OTC & Rx) & cetirizine tabs OTC	Pulmicort Flexhaler®
levocetirizine tablets	QVAR Redihaler
loratadine tab/syrup OTC	Symbicort®
	Trelegy® Ellipta
Beta-Adrenergic Agents	Immunomodulators, Asthma
albuterol HFA (Proair) (authorized generic)	Fasenra Pen
albuterol HFA (Proventil)	Fasenra Syringe
Serevent Diskus®	Tezspire Pen and Syringe
Ventolin® HFA	Xolair Autoinjector
albuterol sulfate (premixed)	Xolair Syringe
COPD	Xolair Vial
Atrovent HFA®	
Anoro® Ellipta®	Intranasal Antihistamines
Combivent® Respimat	azelastine 0.1%
ipratropium bromide soln	Leukotriene Receptor Antagonists
ipratropium/albuterol nebs	montelukast tab/chew tab
roflumilast	
Spiriva®	
Spiriva® Respimat	
Stiolto® Respimat®	
XV. Smoking Cessation	
bupropion SR	
Chantix®	
Chantix® DS PK	
nicotine gum/lozenge/patch	
varenicline	

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