

Coverage for preventive drugs for adults and children



Did you know certain drugs are available to you with no cost-sharing?

Your group health plan's prescription drug benefits cover the following list of preventive care drugs with no cost-sharing, as required by the Affordable Care Act.

The drugs on this list include certain prescription and over-the-counter (OTC) products, including generics and those brands that do not have a generic equivalent or generic alternative. These drugs are eligible for coverage with no cost-sharing with a prescription when provided by an in-network retail or mail order pharmacy.*

Use this list to talk with your provider about options that may be appropriate and available to you at no cost.

Adult \$0 preventive drugs

Getting preventive care and taking prescribed preventive medications can help you and your family stay healthier and lower your out-of-pocket medical costs.

- **Aspirin.**[†] For pregnant women after 12 weeks gestation who are at high risk for preeclampsia. Only aspirin 81 mg is covered.
- **Breast cancer chemoprevention.** For members ages 35 and older. Medication such as tamoxifen 20 mg is covered.
- **Bowel preparation products.** For members ages 45 – 75. Includes generic prescription products and polyethylene glycol 3350 powder for solution indicated for colonoscopy prep.
- **Contraceptives.** Includes, but is not limited to, most oral, injectable, transdermal (e.g., Xulane[®]), diaphragms, cervical caps, intravaginal (e.g., etonogestrel ethinyl estradiol vaginal ring), condoms, and contraceptive film and jelly.

Note: Intrauterine devices (IUD) and implantable products are covered under the medical benefit.



To be eligible for no cost-sharing, you'll need to:

- Get a prescription from your provider
- Fill the prescription at an in-network pharmacy
- Meet any applicable age and other coverage requirements[‡]

- **Folic acid.**[†] For women planning for or capable of pregnancy. Limited to 0.4 – 0.8 mg of folic acid.
- **Statin preventive medication.** For adults ages 40 – 75 who have one or more cardiovascular disease risk factors. Includes lovastatin 40 mg or less.
- **Tobacco interventions.** For adults who use tobacco products. Includes varenicline, bupropion HCL (generic Zyban[®]), and nicotine replacement products (i.e., nicotine gums, nicotine inhalers, and nicotine patches).

Prevention of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection

Preexposure prophylaxis. For persons with no history of HIV infection who are at high risk for HIV acquisition. Includes emtricitabine-tenofovir disoproxil fumarate 200-300 mg, tenofovir 300 mg, and Descovy[®] 200-25 mg.

Children’s \$0 preventive drugs

Fluoride.[†] For children starting at six months old. Limited to strengths less than or equal to 0.5 mg (1.1 mg sodium fluoride). Does not include toothpastes or rinse.

Vaccines (Immunizations)*

To prevent certain illnesses in infants, children, and adults:

- **Influenza:** Afluria[®], Fluzone [Quad][®], Fluzone[®], Fluarix[®], Flumist[®], Flublok[®], Fluad[®], Flucelvax[®], Flulaval[®]
- **Pneumococcal:** Capvaxim[™]: no cost-sharing for members ages 19 and older. Cost sharing applies for members 18 years of age. Pneumovax 23[®], Prevnar 13[®], Prevnar 20[™], Vaxneuvance[™]: no cost sharing.
- **Shingrix[®]:** no cost-sharing for members ages 19 and older. Cost sharing applies for members 18 years of age.
- **RSV:** Arexvy[™] for members ages 60 and older. Cost sharing applies for members 50–59 years of age. Abrysvo[™] for members ages 60 and older or pregnant individuals at 32 through 36 weeks gestational age. Cost sharing applies for members 18–59 years of age. mRESVIA[®] for members ages 60 and older.

Questions? Call the number on the back of your ID card for more information.

This document is intended to offer a general overview of preventive drugs available with no cost-sharing, in accordance with the Affordable Care Act. The medications on the preventive drug list are periodically reviewed by the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force, Health Resources and Services Administration, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and are subject to change in accordance with the requirements of the health care law. Preventive medications on this list will not be subject to any cost-sharing when you use an in-network pharmacy, but will be subject to the terms and conditions of age and other coverage requirements. If the government releases additional guidance on preventive medications, this list may be revised accordingly.

Please see your member handbook and/or benefit booklet to determine if your plan includes coverage for in-network preventive services with no cost-sharing. If not, the preventive drugs on this list may be subject to a copayment, coinsurance, or deductible.



What are generic drugs?

Generic drugs have the same active ingredients, dosage amounts, strength, safety, and quality as brand-name prescription medications. Generics are as safe as their brand-name counterparts. Talk to your provider to see if generic drugs are right for you.

More information about recommended immunizations is available from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention at cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules. Please refer to your plan materials to determine your plan’s coverage for preventive services.

* Your specific needs for preventive services may vary according to your personal risk factors. Your doctor is always your best resource for determining if you’re at risk for a condition or if these services are covered for you.

† Does not include combination products.

‡ For complete guidelines, visit the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force online at [uspreventiveservicestaskforce.org](https://www.uspreventiveservicestaskforce.org).

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