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# **Pharmacy Schedule of Benefits**

Payment Term And Description	Amounts
Annual Drug Deductible	
The amount you pay for covered Prescription Drug Products before we begin paying for Prescription Drug Products.	None
Benefits for PPACA Zero Cost Share Preventive Care Medications are not subject to payment of the Annual Drug Deductible.	
Co-payment	
Your Co-payment is determined by the Prescription Drug List (PDL) Management Committee's Tier placement of a Prescription Drug Product.	For Prescription Drug Products at a retail Network Pharmacy, you are responsible for paying the lower of:
	The applicable Co-payment
	The Network Pharmacy's retail price for the Prescription Drug Product.
	For Prescription Drug Products from a mail order Network Pharmacy, you are responsible for paying the lower of the following:
	The applicable Co-payment.
	A Network Pharmacy's retail price for the Prescription Drug Product.
	See the Co-payments in the Benefit Information table for amounts.
	You are not responsible for paying a Co-payment for PPACA Zero Cost Share Preventive Care Medications.

Prescription Drug Products from a Network Retail Pharmacy	
The following supply limits apply: <b>Tier</b>	Tier 1 Prescription Drug Product
As written by the provider, up to a consecutive 31-day supply of a Prescription Drug Product, unless adjusted based on the drug manufacturer's packaging size, or based on supply limits.	\$10  Tier 2 Prescription Drug Product  \$30
You are not responsible for paying a Co-payment for PPACA Zero Cost Share Preventive Care Medications.	Tier 3 Prescription Drug Product
A 12-month supply at \$0 cost may be provided for FDA-approved, self-administered hormonal contraceptives.	\$50
When a Prescription Drug Product is packaged or designed to deliver in a manner that provides more than a consecutive 31-day supply, the Co-payment that applies will reflect the number of days dispensed.	All cost sharing applies to the out-of-pocket limit.
Prescription Drug Products from a Mail Order Network Pharmacy or Preferred 90 Day Retail Network Pharmacy	
The following supply limits apply:  As written by the provider, up to a consecutive 90-day supply of a Prescription Drug Product, unless adjusted based on the drug manufacturer's packaging size, or based on supply limits. These supply limits do not apply to Specialty Prescription Drug Products. Specialty Prescription Drug Products from a mail order Network Pharmacy are subject to the supply limits as written by the provider, up to a consecutive 31-day supply of a Specialty Prescription Drug Product, unless adjusted based on the drug manufacturer's packaging size, or based on supply limits.  You may be required to fill the first Prescription Drug Product	For up to a 90-day supply at a mail order Network Pharmacy or Preferred 90 Day Retail Network Pharmacy, you pay:  Tier 1 Prescription Drug Product: \$20  Tier 2 Prescription Drug Product: \$60  Tier 3 Prescription Drug Product: \$90
order at a retail pharmacy and obtain 2 refills at a retail pharmacy before using a mail order Network Pharmacy.  To maximize your Benefit, ask your Physician to write your Prescription Order or Refill for a 90-day supply, with refills when appropriate. You will be charged a mail order Copayment for any Prescription Orders or Refills sent to the mail order pharmacy regardless of the number-of-days' supply written on the Prescription Order or Refill. Be sure your Physician writes your Prescription Order or Refill for a 90-day supply, not a 31-day supply with three refills.	All cost sharing applies to the out-of-pocket limit.

This Schedule of Benefits provides specific details about your Prescription Drug Product benefit, as well as the exclusions and limitations. Together this document and the Supplement to the Combined Evidence of Coverage and Disclosure Form as well as the medical Combined Evidence of Coverage and Disclosure Form determine the exact terms and conditions of your Prescription Drug Product coverage.

# What Do I Pay When I fill a Prescription?

The amount you pay for any of the following under this Pharmacy *Schedule of Benefits* will not be included in calculating any Out-of-Pocket Limit stated in your medical *Schedule of Benefits*:

 Any non-covered drug product. You are responsible for paying 100% of the cost (the amount the pharmacy charges you) for any non-covered drug product and our contracted rates will not be available to you.

For Prescription Drug Products at a Network Retail pharmacy, you will pay the lower of the applicable Co-payment for a Prescription Unit, or the Network Pharmacy's retail price for the Prescription Drug Product. For Prescription Drug Products from Mail Order, you are responsible for paying the lower of either the applicable Co-payment or a Network Pharmacy's retail price for the Prescription Drug Product.

You will pay only a Co-payment when filling a prescription at a UnitedHealthcare Network Pharmacy. You will pay a Co-payment every time a prescription is filled. Your Co-payments are as shown in the grid above.

**NOTE:** The Tier status of a prescription drug can change periodically. Tier status changes resulting in higher Copayments occur four times per calendar year or Contract Year. We will notify you 60 days prior to the change in tiers that will result in a higher co-payment. Tier changes resulting in lower Co-payments may occur at any time and would be for your benefit. No prior notice would be given to you. When Tier status changes occur, you may pay more or less for a prescription drug depending on the Tier placement. You may access PDL and Specialty Medication, Tier placement and Co-payments by contacting Customer Service Department 1-800-624-8822 or 711 (TTY) or visiting UnitedHealthcare's Web site at **www.myuhc.com**.

You will receive a written notice 60 days prior to an increase in your Co-payment due to the change in Tier placement to move to a higher Tier. The notice will inform you of the new Tier; and if Prior Authorization must be requested by your Network Physician and determined by UnitedHealthcare to be Medically Necessary for the drug to be covered if not previously obtained.

# If A Brand-Name Drug Becomes Available as a Generic

If a Generic drug becomes available for a Brand-name drug, your Brand-name drug's Tier placement may change, and therefore your Co-payment may change. Please refer to "PRIOR AUTHORIZATION" if you are currently taking a prescription drug that requires Prior Authorization under the benefit plan.

#### **Prior Authorization**

Before certain Prescription Drug Products are dispensed to you, your Physician, your pharmacist or you are required to obtain prior authorization from us or our designee. The reason for obtaining prior authorization from us is to determine whether the Prescription Drug Product, in accordance with our approved guidelines, is each of the following:

- It meets the definition of a Covered Health Care Service.
- It is not an Experimental or Investigational or Unproven Service.

Certain Prescription Drug Products may be subject to prior authorization due to the following:

• they have an approved biosimilar or a biosimilar and Therapeutically Equivalent to another covered Prescription Drug Product.

### **Prior Authorization and Step Therapy Exception Process**

Certain Prescription Drug Products require a Prior Authorization or step therapy exception process using criteria based upon U.S. Food and Drug (FDA) approved indications or medical findings. When Prescription Drug Products are dispensed at a Network Pharmacy, your prescribing provider, or the pharmacist, are responsible for obtaining Prior Authorization from us. Please refer to the Outpatient Prescription Drug Benefit Supplement for additional information.

For a list of the Prescription Drug Products that require UnitedHealthcare's Prior Authorization, please contact UnitedHealthcare's Customer Service department at 1-800-624-8822 or 711 (TTY) or view online at **www.myuhc.com**.

# **Prescription Drug Products Covered by Your Benefit**

When prescribed by your Network Physician as Medically Necessary and filled at a Network Pharmacy, subject to all the other terms and conditions of this outpatient prescription drug benefit, the following medications are covered:

- **Disposable all-in-one pre-filled insulin pens**, insulin cartridges and needles for non-disposable pens devices are covered when Medically Necessary in accordance with UnitedHealthcare's Prior Authorization process.
- Federal Legend Drugs: Any medicinal substance which bears the legend: "Caution: Federal law prohibits dispensing without a prescription."
- Generic Drugs: Comparable Generic drugs may be substituted for Brand-name drugs. For Brand-name drugs that have FDA approved equivalents, a prescription may be filled with a Generic drug unless a specific Brand-name drug is Medically Necessary and Prior Authorized by UnitedHealthcare. Prior Authorization is necessary even if a licensed Physician writes "Dispense as Written" or "Do Not Substitute" on your prescription. If you choose to use a

Prescription Drug Product not included on the PDL and not Prior Authorized by UnitedHealthcare, you will be responsible for the full retail price of the medication.

If the requested drug is Medically Necessary, it may be Prior Authorized by UnitedHealthcare. If it is approved, you will only pay your applicable Tier Co-payment.

- Miscellaneous Prescription Drug Coverage: For the purposes of determining coverage, the following items are considered prescription drug benefits and are covered when Medically Necessary: glucagons, insulin, insulin syringes, blood glucose test strips, lancets and lancet devices, inhaler extender devices, urine test strips, ketone testing strips and tablets, certain immunizations, and anaphylaxis prevention kits. See the medical Combined Evidence of Coverage and Disclosure Form for coverage of other injectable medication and equipment for the treatment of asthma in Section: Your Medical Benefits.
- Oral Contraceptives: All FDA-approved contraceptives, drugs, devices, and products are covered at \$0 cost sharing subject to Therapeutic Equivalents that may be prescribed and may be subject to Prior Authorization. A Member may receive a 12-month supply of a FDA-approved, self-administered hormonal contraceptive dispensed or furnished at one time by a provider or from a contracted pharmacy that has agreed to dispense or furnish FDA-approved contraceptives in accordance with state and federal law. Over-the-counter birth control devices require a prescription from your provider. To determine whether the Plan's contracted pharmacy provides for a pharmacist to dispense FDA-approved contraceptives directly, please contact the contracted pharmacy or call the Plan at the number shown on your card. Please refer to the medical Evidence of Coverage and to your Outpatient Prescription Drug Supplement for more information.
- State Restricted Drugs: Any medicinal substance that may be dispensed by prescription only according to State law.

## **Exclusions and Limitations**

While the prescription drug benefit covers most Prescription Drug Products, there are some that are not covered or limited. These Prescription Drugs Products are listed below. Some of the following excluded drugs may be covered under your medical benefit. Please refer to Section 5 of your medical *Combined Evidence of Coverage* and Disclosure Form entitled Covered Health Care Services for more information about medications covered by your medical benefit.

- Administered Prescription Drug Products: Drugs or medicines delivered or administered to the Member by the prescriber or the prescriber's staff are not covered. Injectable drugs are covered under your medical benefit when administered during a Physician's office visit or self-administered pursuant to training by an appropriate health care professional. Refer to Section 5 of your medical Combined Evidence of Coverage and Disclosure Form titled Your Medical Benefits for more information about medications covered under your medical benefit.
- Compounded medication: Any Medicinal substance that has at least one ingredient that is Federal Legend or State Restricted in a therapeutic amount. Compounded medications are not covered unless Prior Authorized as Medically Necessary by UnitedHealthcare.
- Diagnostic drugs: Drugs used for diagnostic purposes are not covered. Refer to Section 5 of your medical Combined Evidence of Coverage and Disclosure Form for information about medications covered for diagnostic tests, services and treatment.
- Dietary or nutritional products and food supplements: Whether prescription or non-prescription, including vitamins (except prenatal), minerals and fluoride supplements, health or beauty aids, herbal supplements and/or alternative medicine are not covered. Phenylketonuria (PKU) testing and treatment is covered under your medical benefit including those formulas and special food products that are a part of a diet prescribed by a Network Physician provided that the diet is Medically Necessary. For additional information, refer to Section 5 of your medical Combined Evidence of Coverage and Disclosure Form. This exclusion does not apply to authorized Medically Necessary services to avert the development of serious physical or mental disabilities or to promote normal development or function as a consequence of phenylketonuria (PKU).
- Enhancement medications when prescribed for the following non-medical conditions are not covered: weight loss, hair growth, sexual performance, athletic performance, cosmetic purposes, anti-aging for cosmetic purposes, and mental performance. This exclusion does not exclude coverage for drugs when Prior Authorized as Medically Necessary to treat morbid obesity or diagnosed medical conditions affecting memory, including but not limited to, Alzheimer's dementia.
- Growth hormone for children with familial short stature (short stature based upon heredity and not caused by a diagnosed medical condition) unless Medically Necessary and Prior Authorized by us.
- Infertility: All forms of Prescription Drug Products when prescribed for the treatment of infertility are not covered. If your employer has purchased coverage for infertility treatment, Prescription Drug Products for the treatment of infertility may be covered under that benefit. Please refer to Section 5 of your medical Combined Evidence of Coverage and Disclosure Form entitled Your Medical Benefits for additional information.

- Injectable medications: Except as described under the section Covered Health Care Services, injectable medications including, but not limited to, infusion therapy, allergy serum, certain immunization agents and blood products are not covered as an outpatient prescription drug benefit. However, these medications are covered under your medical benefit as described in and according to the terms and conditions of your medical *Combined Evidence of Coverage and Disclosure Form*. Outpatient injectable medications administered in the Physician's office (except insulin) are covered as a medical benefit when part of a medical office visit. Injectable medications may be subject to UnitedHealthcare's Prior Authorization requirements. For additional information, refer to Section 5 of your medical *Combined Evidence of Coverage and Disclosure Form* under Your Medical Benefits.
- Inpatient Prescription Drug Products: Medications administered to a Member while an inpatient in a hospital or while receiving Skilled Nursing Care as an inpatient in a Skilled Nursing Facility are not covered under this *Pharmacy Schedule of Benefits*. Please refer to Section 5 of your medical *Combined Evidence of Coverage and Disclosure Form* entitled Your Medical Benefits for information on coverage of prescription medications while hospitalized or in a Skilled Nursing Facility. Outpatient prescription drugs are covered for Members receiving Custodial Care in a rest home, nursing home, sanitarium, or similar facility if they are obtained from a Network Pharmacy in accordance with all the terms and conditions of coverage set forth in this *Schedule of Benefits* and in the Pharmacy Supplement to the *Combined Evidence of Coverage and Disclosure Form*. When a Member is receiving Custodial Care in any facility, relatives, friends or caregivers may purchase the medication prescribed by a Network Physician at a Network Pharmacy, and pay the applicable Co-payment on behalf of the Member.
- Investigational or Experimental drugs: Medication prescribed for Experimental or Investigational therapies are not covered, unless required by an external, independent review panel pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 1370.4. Further information about Investigational and Experimental procedures and external review by an independent panel can be found in the medical *Combined Evidence of Coverage and Disclosure Form* in Section 5, Your Medical Benefits and Section 8: Overseeing Your Health Care Decisions for appeal rights.
- New Prescription Drug Products that have not been reviewed for safety, efficacy and cost effectiveness and approved by UnitedHealthcare are not covered unless Prior Authorized by UnitedHealthcare as Medically Necessary. This would include new dosage forms that we determine do not meet the definition of a Covered Health Care Service.
- Non-covered medical condition: Prescription Drug Products for the treatment of a non-covered medical condition are not covered. This exclusion does not exclude Medically Necessary Prescription Drug Products directly related to non-covered services when complications exceed follow-up care, such as life-threatening complications of cosmetic surgery.
- Off-label drug use. Off-label drug use means that the Provider has prescribed a drug approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for a use that is different than that for which the FDA approved the drug. UnitedHealthcare excludes coverage for Off Label Drug Use, including off label self-injectable drugs, except as described in the medical Combined Evidence of Coverage and Disclosure Form and any applicable Attachments. If a drug is prescribed for off-label drug use, the drug and its administration will be covered only if it satisfies the following criteria: (1) The drug is approved by the FDA. (2) The drug is prescribed by a Network licensed health care professional. (3) The drug is Medically Necessary to treat the medical condition. (4) The drug has been recognized for treatment of a medical condition by one of the following: (a) The American Hospital Formulary Service Drug Information, (b) One of the following compendia, if recognized by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services as part of an anticancer chemotherapy regimen; (i) The Elsevier Gold Standard's Clinical Pharmacology; (ii) The National Comprehensive Cancer Network Drug and Biologics Compendium; (iii) The Thompson Micromedex DRUGDEX System, or (c) Two articles from major peer reviewed medical journals that present data supporting the proposed off-label drug use or uses as generally safe and effective unless there is clear and convincing contradictory evidence presented in major peer-reviewed medical journal. Nothing in this section shall prohibit UnitedHealthcare from use of a PDL, Co-payment, technology assessment panel, or similar mechanism as a means for appropriately controlling the utilization of a drug that is prescribed for a use that is different from the use for which that drug has been approved for marketing by the FDA. Denial of a drug as investigational or experimental will allow the Member to use the Independent Review System as defined in the medical Combined Evidence of Coverage and Disclosure Form.
- Over-the-Counter Drugs: Drugs available over-the-counter do not require a Prescription Order or Refill by federal or state law before being dispensed. Generally over- the-counter Drugs are excluded whether prescribed or not unless they are on UnitedHealth care's PDL or unless they are FDA-approved tobacco cessation drugs and products, or FDA-approved contraceptives, drugs, devises or other products both of which are provided as preventive benefit at \$0 cost sharing subject to certain exception. This exclusion does not apply to prescribed over-the-counter medications that have an A or B recommendation from the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) when prescribed by a provider for which Benefits are available, without cost sharing, as described under Section 5 of the Combined Evidence of Coverage and Disclosure Form. When determining covered FDA approved

contraceptive methods, the Plan will consider Therapeutic Equivalent including dosage form and route of administration strength. For more information regarding coverage of certain over- the- counter drugs on the PDL, please see your Outpatient Prescription Drug Supplement and your *Combined Evidence of Coverage* under Family Planning and Tobacco Screenings. You may also contact UnitedHealthcare's Customer Service Department at 1-800-624-8822 or 711 (TTY) or view online at **www.myuhc.com**.

- Prescription Drug Products that are comprised of active ingredients that are available over-the-counter are not covered except when Medically Necessary. Certain prescription drug products that are Therapeutically Equivalent to over the counter drugs or supplement are not covered unless Medically Necessary and Prior Authorized. This exclusion does not apply to coverage of an entire class of prescription drugs when one drug within that class becomes available over the counter.
- Prescription Drug Products for the amount dispensed (days' supply or quantity limit) which exceeds the supply limit are not covered.
- Prescription Drug Product to the extent payment or benefits are provided by the local, state or federal government except as otherwise provided by law.
- Prescription Drug Products prescribed by a dentist or drugs when prescribed for dental treatment are not covered.
- Prescription Drug Products when prescribed solely for the purpose to shorten the duration of a common cold are not covered.
- Prescription Drug Product when packaged or designed to deliver in a manner that provides more than a consecutive 31-day supply, the Co-payment that applies will reflect the number of days dispensed.
- Prescription Drug Products prescribed solely to treat hair loss.
- Prior to Effective Date: Drugs or medicines purchased and received prior to the Member's effective date or subsequent to the Member's termination are not covered.
- Replacement of Prescription Drug Products. Lost, stolen, or destroyed Prescription Drug Products are not covered.
- Saline and irrigation solutions. Saline and irrigation solutions are not covered unless Medically Necessary, depending on the purpose for which they are prescribed, as part of the home health or durable medical equipment benefit. Refer to your medical Combined Evidence of Coverage and Disclosure Form Section 5 for additional information.
- Smoking cessation products unless they are FDA-approved tobacco cessation drugs and products, both of which are provided as a preventive benefit at \$0 cost sharing subject to certain exception. For information on UnitedHealthcare's smoking cessation program, refer to the medical Combined Evidence of Coverage and Disclosure Form in Section 5: Your Medical Benefit or contact Customer Service or visit our web site at www.myuhc.com.
- Therapeutic devices or appliances including, but not limited to, support garments and other non-medical substances, insulin pumps and related supplies (these services are provided as durable medical equipment). For further information on certain therapeutic devices and appliances that are covered under your medical benefit, refer to your medical Combined Evidence of Coverage and Disclosure Form in Section 5: Your Medical Benefits.
- Therapeutically Equivalent: Certain Prescription Drug Products for which there are Therapeutically Equivalent alternatives available unless Medically Necessary.
- Unit/Convenience Dosage Forms: Unit doses, pre-packaged medications, individual packets etc. are not covered unless available in that form only, prior authorized and medically necessary.
- Worker's Compensation: Prescription Drug Products for which the cost is recoverable under any Workers' Compensation or Occupational Disease Law or any state or government agency, or medication furnished by any other drug or medical service for which no charge is made to the patient is not covered. Further information about Workers Compensation can be found in the medical Combined Evidence of Coverage and Disclosure Form in Section 6: Your Payment Responsibility.

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