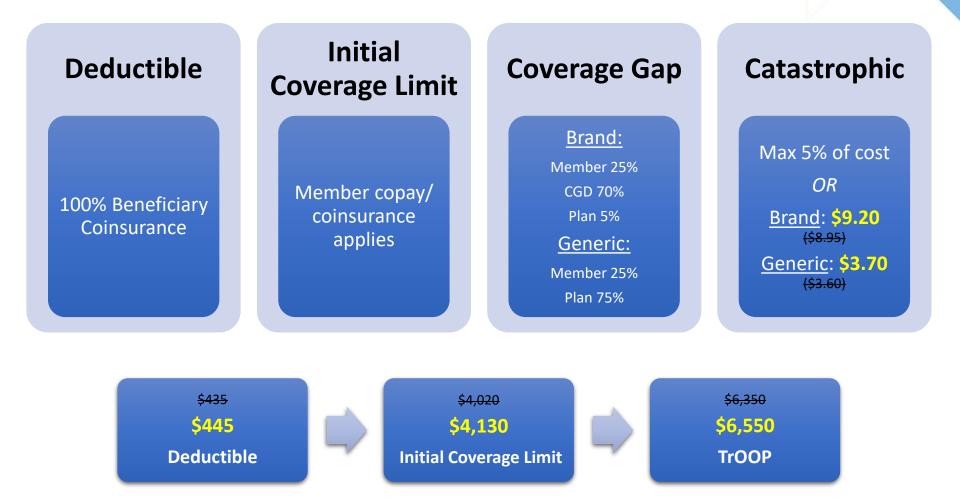


2021 Medicare Pharmacy Changes

Topics

- CMS Part D Standard Benefit Changes
- Pharmacy Benefit Changes
- Pharmacy Network Changes
- Clinical Review Updates
- Formulary Drug Changes
- Member Material Changes

Part D Standard Benefit Changes



Pharmacy Benefit Changes

MAPD Plans

- 100 day supply for Tier 1 drugs
- 2x copay for 3 month supply at mail order (instead of 3x)
 - Applies to Tiers 1, 2 and 3

2021 Medicare Pharmacy Networks

Plan(s)	MAPD & Group Plans with preferred benefits					
Network Type	Preferred Plus	eferred Plus with wrap				
Total Number of Network Pharmacies	~61k total pharmacies including up to 30k preferred pharmacies					
	<u> </u>	IL	ТХ	NM	ОК	MT
State/ Preferred Pharmacies	Chain	Walgreens Walmart		Walgreens Walmart	Walgreens Walmart	Walgreens Walmart
	Grocery	Albertsons (<i>Jewel Osco</i>) Kroger (<i>Mariano's</i>)		Albertsons Kroger (<i>Smiths</i>)		Albertsons Kroger (<i>Smiths</i>)
	Independents	Health Mart Atlas Arete Leader	Arete Leader	Health Mart Atlas Arete Leader ies may be preferred. Ple	Health Mart Atlas Arete Leader Some PPOK pharmacies ease check the pharmacy director	Health Mart Atlas Arete Leader Some PPOK pharmacies ry.
	Mail Order	AllianceRx Walgreens Prime				

Major Changes from 2020 to 2021	Impact		
Addition of Walmart to preferred network for all states	More preferred pharmacy options for members		
Sam's Club will be out of network for all plans	Members will not have access to Sam's Club and will be lettered in November 2020		
Removal of some PPOK pharmacies in OK and MT from preferred	Members will have access to these pharmacies at standard copay levels. Some PPOK independent pharmacies will remain		
networks	as preferred. Check the pharmacy directory		
Removal of Elevate PSAO and addition of Arete and Leader	Change in preferred independent pharmacy options for members (more independent preferred options)		

Clinical Review Updates

Prospective reviews start 11/1/20

• <u>Part D</u>

- Before 11/1/20
 - \odot Request will be processed as if member is requesting 2020 coverage
 - If member is seeking 2021 coverage, inform them that prospective review will start 11/1/20 and we would be happy to help them submit their request on/after that date

We cannot hold or queue any request. Member must resubmit their request on/after 11/1/20

After 11/1/20

 Clarify if request is seeking 2020 or 2021 coverage and indicate clearly on request form

• <u>Part B</u>

• 12/1/20

Prime will review and classify cases accordingly based on member's plan and UM criteria Very important to indicate coverage year on request form

2021 MAPD Formulary Changes*

^{*}NOT AN ALL INCLUSIVE LIST OF C<u>HANGES – SEE 2021 FORMULARY</u>

Positive Changes

Drugs Added

- •ADHD (Vyvanse)
- •Anti-Inflammatory (Xeljanz XR)
- Expanded insulin pen needle brand selection

Lower Tier

- •Nerve Pain (pregabalin)
- •Overactive Bladder (Myrbetriq)
- •Blood pressure (telmisartan, amlodipine-benazepril, benazepril-hydrochlorothiazide, valsartan-hydrochlorothiazide)
- •Antibiotics (amoxicillin suspension)
- •Steroids (prednisone)
- •Anti-Anxiety (alprazolam)

Negative Changes

Drugs Removed

•Constipation (Amitiza), Multiple Sclerosis (Avonex)

Higher Tier

- Injectables and other alternative formulations of medications
- •Seizures (clonazepam oral disintegrating tablet)
- Psychiatric Disorders (haloperidol injection)
- •Low Testosterone (testosterone gel)

New UM

- •Almost all quantity limits focused on safe prescribing
- •Migraine (sumatriptan)
- •Glaucoma (Lumigan)
- •Insomnia (zaleplon)

Member Material Changes

Formulary Publication

• Existing members

 Instead of a formulary being mailed, members will receive a one page notice in their ANOC kit with instructions on how to access their formulary online.

<u>New Members</u>

 Instead of a comprehensive formulary, members will be mailed an <u>abridged</u> formulary.

An abbreviated version of the formulary containing some of the most commonly prescribed medications from each drug class. The list is not all-inclusive and does not guarantee coverage.

Members can always view their complete formulary online or call TMG to request one

Member Disruption Letters

Formulary Change Communication

- Mail dates: 10/21/20 11/4/20
- Notice to the member containing information about updates/changes to their drug list, tiers of coverage, and UM programs (TE, PA, ST, FE)

Network Change Communication

- Mail dates: 10/21/20 11/4/20
- Notice to the member containing information about updates/changes to preferred, non-preferred retail and out of network retail pharmacies

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