

Prior Authorization Additions

Some drugs require prior authorization. This means your doctor must speak with us before your plan may cover them.

Drugs that usually need prior authorization:

- Drugs that a doctor orders when less expensive drugs might work
- Drugs that should be used only for certain health problems
- Drugs that have dangerous side effects
- Drugs that are harmful when combined with other drugs

About this list:

As of Jan. 1, 2017, we will <u>add</u> the drugs listed on this sheet to the authorization program. This is not a full list of drugs covered under your plan. To see the full list of drugs that need prior authorization, go to bcbsla.com/pharmacy. As benefits may vary by group and individual plans, the inclusion of a medication on this list does not imply prescription drug coverage.

What can you do?

Talk to your doctor about requesting prior authorization for your drugs, if needed. Your doctor might switch you to another drug that doesn't need prior authorization. Or, he or she can call or fax Express Scripts* to start the approval process.

Drugs that must have prior authorization for NEW users:

If you are already taking any of the new drugs that will require prior authorization, your doctor does not have to get prior authorization for you to continue taking them.

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