



MOLINA HEALTHCARE OF MICHIGAN DRUG FORMULARY UPDATE

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The following is a summary of changes to the Molina Healthcare Formulary:

Drug Name TRADE (Generic)	Therapeutic Category	Formulary Status	Effective Date
Micardis	ARB	Added with Step Therapy	2009
Benicar	ARB	Added with Step Therapy	2009
Crestor	Statin	Added with Step Therapy	2009
Multaq	Antiarrhythmic	Added with step therapy	2009
Insulin U 500	Insulin	Formulary-PA required	2010
Plendil (felodipine)	Calcium Antagonist	Non Formulary	2009
Rhinocort AQ (budesonide)	Inhaled Nasal Steroid	Non Formulary	2009
Diovan (valsartan)	ARB	Non Formulary	2009

PRIOR AUTHORIZATION CRITERIA UPDATES: For Formulary medications, PA criteria can be found in the Drug Formulary, "At A Glance" condensed Formulary, Provider Manual and EzRx newsletters which are all sent to Providers. Information is also available on the website (Provider, Michigan, drug list).

DRUG NAME	Prior Authorization Criteria (abbreviated)
Insulin U 500	Endocrinologist following and recommending treatment, frequent glucose monitoring, documentation of proper training on dosage, total insulin dose greater than 200 units.
Multaq	Failure of amiodarone
Prevacid	Failure of omeprazole, OTC version preferred as second line agent
Synagis	Follows American Academy of Pediatrics current guidelines

MOLINA HEALTHPLAN HAS A GENERIC ONLY POLICY AS DESCRIBED BELOW:

This Policy requires utilization of generic medications as first line. When a generic is available for a branded medication, all requests for the brand version must include clear documentation of the failure of the generic prior to the request for a branded product. Documentation must be submitted that confirms the specific reason the generic cannot be used. In addition, an FDA MedWatch form must be completed and sent to the FDA with a copy sent to Molina Healthcare pharmacy verifying delivery. Also, when a generic is formulary within a therapeutic class there must be clear documentation of the failure of the generic prior to requests for non formulary brand products being approved.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT AN INTERACTIVE VERSION OF THE FORMULARY IS ALSO AVAILABLE FOR PDA DOWNLOAD AT WWW.EPOCRATES.COM