

CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield Medicare Advantage Preferred Drug List
Medicare Part B Step Therapy

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The CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield Medicare Advantage Preferred Drug List encourages utilization of clinically appropriate and lower net cost products within the following therapeutic drug classes. The listed preferred products must be used first before a non-preferred product can be covered. This step therapy requirement does not apply to plan members who are actively receiving treatment with non-preferred products on the CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield Medicare Advantage Preferred Drug List.

Drug Class	Non-Preferred Product(s)	Preferred Product(s)
Acromegaly	Signifor LAR, Somavert	Somatuline Depot, Sandostatin LAR
Alpha-1 Antitrypsin Deficiency	Aralast, Glassia, Zemaira	Prolastin-C
Autoimmune	Actemra, Avsola, Inflectra, Orencia, Cimzia, a Renflexis	Entyvio, Ilumya, Remicade, Simponi Aria, Stelara
Bevacizumab	N/A	Avastin, Mvasi, Zirabev
Botulinum Toxins	Botox, Myobloc	Dysport, Xeomin
Hematologic, Erythropoiesis-Stimulating Agents (ESA)	Epogen, Mircera, Procrit	Aranesp, Retacrit
Hematologic, Neutropenia Colony Stimulating Factors- Short Acting	Granix, Leukine, Neupogen, Nivestym	Zarxio
Hematologic, Neutropenia Colony Stimulating Factors- Long Acting	Fulphila, Nyvepria, Ziextenzo	Neulasta, Udenyca
Lysosomal Storage Disorders- Gaucher Disease	Cerezyme, VPRIV	Elelyso
Multiple Sclerosis (Infused)	Lemtrada	Tysabri
Osteoarthritis, Viscosupplements- Single Injection	Durolane, Gel-One, Monovisc	Synvisc-1
Osteoarthritis, Viscosupplements- Multi Injection	Euflexxa, Supartz, Gelsyn-3, Supartz FX, Hyalgan, Visco-3, Hymovis	Orthovisc, Synvisc

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Prostate Cancer- Luteinizing Hormone Releasing Hormone (LHRH) Antagonists Agents	N/A	Firmagon
Prostate Cancer- Luteinizing Hormone Releasing Hormone (LHRH) Agents	Lupron Depot, Trelstar, Zoladex	Eligard
Retinal Disorders Agents	Eylea, Lucentis, Macugen, Visudyne	Avastin
Rituximab	Truxima	Rituxan, Rituxan Hycela, Ruxience
Trastuzumab	Herzuma, Ogivri	Herceptin, Herceptin Hylecta, Kanjinti, Trazimera