



Select Prescription Drug Cost Outliers Excluded from Coverage

Each year, as new drugs are approved or older drugs change in price, we make changes to how they are covered under our plans. We also remove drugs from coverage, if needed. We make these changes to keep costs down, while still allowing choices in care.

About this list: This sheet explains which prescription cost outlier drugs are not covered for most Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana or HMO Louisiana, Inc. plans because multiple lower cost therapeutic alternatives are available. This is not a full list of drugs that are not covered. Please read your plan booklet for more about excluded drugs, as benefits may vary by group and individual plans.

Key: BRAND medications are listed in UPPERCASE and generics in lowercase.

Common Use or Health Problem	Drugs Not Covered	Alternative Drugs, Strengths or Dosage Forms
Skin Conditions	ALA-SCALP [®] , apexicon [®] e, CLOBEX [®] , CORDRAN [®] (CREAM, LOTION AND OINTMENT), CUTIVATE [®] , DESONATE [®] , DESOWEN [®] , DIPROLENE [®] , HALOG [®] , IMPEKLO [™] , KENALOG [®] SPRAY, LOCOID LIPOCREAM [®] , LOCOID [®] , LUXIQ [®] , NEO-SYNALAR [®] , OLUX [®] , OLUX-E [®] , PSORCON [®] , SYNALAR [®] , TEMOVATE [®] , TOPICORT [®] , TRIDESILON [™] , VANOS [®]	betamethasone 0.05% lotion, ointment; betamethasone 0.1% cream; betamethasone 0.12% foam; clobetasol 0.05% cream, foam, lotion, ointment, shampoo, spray; clobetasol e cream; clodan shampoo; desonide cream, lotion; desoximetasone 0.05% cream, gel, ointment; desoximetasone 0.25% cream; diflorasone cream; fluocinolone oil; fluocinolone 0.025% cream, ointment; fluocinonide 0.1% cream; fluticasone 0.05% lotion, cream; halcinonide cream; halobetasol cream, ointment; hydrocortisone 0.1% cream, ointment, solution; hydrocortisone 0.2% cream, ointment; hydrocortisone 2.5% cream, lotion; mometasone cream, ointment; prednicarbate cream, ointment; triamcinolone 0.1% lotion, ointment; triamcinolone 0.5% ointment; triamcinolone aerosol
Allergies	CARBINOXAMINE MALEATE 4 MG/5 ML SOLUTION, carbinoxamine maleate 6 mg, KARBINAL [™] ER, RYVENT [™]	carbinoxamine maleate 4 mg, carbinoxamine maleate oral solution
Acne	ATRALIN [®] , AVITA [®] GEL, CLEOCIN T [®] , CLINDAGEL [®] , CLINDAMYCIN GEL, clindamycin once daily gel, EVOCLIN [®] , KLARON [®] , RETIN-A MICRO [®] , RETIN-A [®] GEL,	clindamycin 1% foam, gel, lotion, solution, or swab; clindacin-p [®] ; sulfacetamide 10% lotion; tretinoin gel or cream; avita; tretinoin microsphere gel or pump

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Topical Antibiotics	CENTANY [®] , mupirocin cream	clindamycin 1% gel; mupirocin 2% ointment
Rosacea	METROCREAM [®] , METROGEL [®] , METROLOTION [®] , NORITATE [®]	metronidazole 0.75% cream, lotion, gel; metronidazole 1% gel; rosadan cream, gel
Cholesterol	ANTARA [®] , fenofibrate 40 mg tablet, fenofibrate 130 mg, FENOFIBRATE 50 MG AND 150 MG CAPSULES, fenofibrate 120 mg tablet, fenofibric acid 135 mg capsule, fenofibric acid 35 mg tablet, FENOGLIDE [®] , FIBRICOR [®] , LIPOFEN [®] , TRILIPIX [®]	fenofibrate 48 mg, 134 mg, 145 mg
	niacin 500 mg tablet, NIACOR [®]	niacin er 500 mg and 1,000 mg
Diabetes	FORTAMET [®] , GLUMETZA [®] , metformin 750 mg, metformin er gastric tablet 500 mg and 1,000 mg, metformin er osmotic tablet 500 mg and 1,000 mg	metformin hcl er 500 mg and 750 mg
Pain	fentanyl transdermal patch 37.5, 62.5 and 87.5 mcg	fentanyl 25 mcg, 50 mcg and 100 mcg
Depression/Anxiety	APLENZIN [®] , BRISDELLE [®] , duloxetine 40 mg capsule, fluoxetine 60 mg tablet, FORFIVO XL [®] , paroxetine 7.5 mg capsule, WELLBUTRIN XL [®] 150 MG AND 300 MG TABLETS	bupropion er/sr/xl; duloxetine 20 mg, 30 mg, and 60 mg; fluoxetine capsule, delayed release capsule, 10 mg and 20 mg tablet; paroxetine; paroxetine er
Sleep Aid	EDLUAR [™] , ZOLPIMIST SOLUTION	eszopiclone, zaleplon, zolpidem er, zolpidem
Migraine	FROVA [®] , ONZETRA [®] XSAIL [®] , ZEMBRACE [™] SYMTOUCH [™]	almotriptan, frovatriptan, naratriptan, rizatriptan, sumatriptan, zolmitriptan
Stomach	GIMOTI [™]	metoclopramide tablet, oral solution
ADHD	METADATE CD, Methylphenidate ER 45 mg, 63 mg, and 72 mg tablet, Relexxii [®]	methylphenidate, methylphenidate er
Antibiotics	AUGMENTIN [®] 125 MG/5 ML ORAL SUSPENSION, cephalixin 750 mg, KEFLEX 750 MG, METRONIDAZOLE, PRIMISOL [®]	amoxicillin-clavulanate oral suspension, cephalixin 250 mg and 500 mg, metronidazole 250 mg and 500 mg, trimethoprim tablet

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Muscle Relaxers	AMRIX®; BACLOFEN SOLUTION, carisoprodol 250 mg; chlorzoxazone 250 mg, 375 mg and 750 mg tablets; cyclobenzaprine 7.5 mg tablet; cyclobenzaprine er; FEXMID®, LORZONE®, OZOBAX®, SOMA® 250 MG	baclofen solution, carisoprodol 250 mg, chlorzoxazone 500 mg, cyclobenzaprine 5 mg and 10 mg tablets
Kidney/Bladder Stones, Rheumatoid Arthritis, Wilson's Disease	COXANTO™, CUPRIMINE®, DEPEN®, OXAPROZIN, penicillamine 250 mg capsule,	ADVIL®, ALEVE®, ibuprofen, penicillamine tablet
Suppositories	hydrocortisone 30 mg suppository, PROCTOCORT® SUPPOSITORY	anucort-hc™ 25 mg, hydrocortisone 25 mg suppository
Steroid	HEMADY™	dexamethasone 4 mg tablet
Malaria, Lupus, Rheumatoid Arthritis	hydroxychloroquine 100 mg, 300 mg and 400 mg, SOVUNA 300mg tablet	hydroxychloroquine 200 mg

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