

Value-Based Tier Drugs

Select Blue Shield pharmacy plans have a Value-Based Tier Drug benefit¹

Value-Based Tier Drugs are specific preventive drugs taken when risk factors are present for a disease that has not manifested (or is asymptomatic), or to prevent the occurrence of a disease from which an individual has recovered.

Value-Based Tier Drugs are select generic and brand-name drugs that are FDA-approved for high blood pressure, high cholesterol, diabetes, and asthma. These drugs are covered at no charge, or at an otherwise reduced member cost share.

The following is a list of Value-Based Tier Drugs² used to treat these select chronic conditions. This list is current as of the date printed below and is subject to change.

To access the Blue Shield Plus Formulary, visit blueshieldca.com/pharmacy.

Asthma

ANTI-ASTHMATICS

- Advair HFA
- albuterol
- Arnuity Ellipta
- Atrovent HFA
- Breo Ellipta
- budesonide
- Combivent
- cromolyn inhaler
- Flovent
- fluticasone-salmeterol

- Incruse Ellipta
- ipratropium-albuterol
- levalbuterol
- metaproterenol
- montelukast
- Pulmicort-Flexhaler
- Qvar
- Serevent diskus
- Spiriva
- Symbicort
- terbutaline

- Theo-24
- theophylline
- theophylline er
- Ventolin HFA
- Wixela
- zafirlukast

ASTHMA SUPPLIES

- Aerochamber
- OptiChamber

Diabetes

ANTI-DIABETIC DRUGS

- acarbose
- Actoplus Met XR
- alogliptin
- alogliptin-metformin
- alogliptin-pioglitazone
- chlorpropamide
- Farxiga
- glimepiride
- glipizide/glipizide er
- glipizide-metformin
- glyburide
- glyburide micronized
- glyburide-metformin
- Glyxambi
- Humalog vial and pen
- HumaPen Luxura

- Humulin vial
- insulin lispro 100u/ml vial and pen
- Janumet
- Janumet XR
- Januvia
- Jardiance
- Lantus vial and pen
- Levemir
- metformin
- metformin er³
- nateglinide
- pioglitazone
- pioglitazone-metformin
- repaglinide-metformin
- Rybelsus
- Synjardy/Synjardy XR

- Toujeo Solostar
- tolazamide
- tolbutamide
- Tresiba
- Trulicity
- Victoza
- Xigduo XR

DIABETIC SUPPLIES

- Accu-chek test strips and lancets
- insulin syringes and needles

High blood pressure

ACE INHIBITORS

- benazepril
- captopril
- enalapril
- fosinopril
- lisinopril
- moexipril
- perindopril
- quinapril
- ramipril

ANTI-HYPERTENSIVES

- aliskiren
- amlodipine-atorvastatin
- amlodipine besylate-benazepril hcl
- amlodipine-olmesartan
- amlodipine-valsartan-hctz
- atenolol-chlorthalidone
- benazepril-hctz
- bisoprolol-hctz
- captopril-hctz
- clonidine
- doxazosin
- enalapril-hctz
- eprosartan
- fosinopril-hctz
- guanfacine
- hydralazine
- irbesartan
- irbesartan-hctz
- lisinopril-hctz
- losartan
- losartan-hctz

- methyldopa
- methyldopa-hctz
- metoprolol-hctz
- minoxidil
- olmesatan-amlodipine-hctz
- olmesartan medoxomil
- olmesartan-hctz
- prazosin
- propranolol-hctz
- quinapril-hctz
- telmisartan
- telmisartan-amlodipine
- telmisartan-hctz
- terazosin
- trandolapril-verapamil er
- valsartan
- valsartan-hctz

BETA-BLOCKERS

- acebutolol
- atenolol
- betaxolol
- bisoprolol
- Bystolic
- carvedilol
- carvedilol er
- labetalol
- metoprolol succinate
- metoprolol tartrate
- nadolol
- pindolol
- propranolol
- timolol maleate (oral)

CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKERS

- Afeditab CR
- amlodipine
- Cartia XT
- diltiazem
- diltiazem er
- felodipine er
- isradipine
- Matzim LA
- nicardipine
- Nifediac CC
- Nifedical XL
- nifedipine
- nifedipine er
- nisoldipine
- Taztia XT
- Tiadylt ER
- verapamil
- verapamil er

DIURETICS

- amiloride
- amiloride-hctz
- chlorothiazide
- chlorthalidone
- eplerenone
- hydrochlorothiazide
- indapamide
- methyclothiazide
- metolazone
- spironolactone
- spironolactone-hctz
- triamterene
- triamterene-hctz

High cholesterol

DYSLIPIDEMICS

- atorvastatin
- cholestyramine
- colestevlam
- colestipol
- ezetimibe
- fenofibrate

- fenofibrate-nanocrystallized
- fenofibric acid
- fenofibric acid (choline)
- fluvastatin
- fluvastatin-er
- gemfibrozil
- lovastatin

- niacin-er
- omega-3 acid ethyl esters
- pravastatin
- prevalite
- rosuvastatin
- simvastatin

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- 1 Refer to your *Evidence of Coverage* or *Certificate of Insurance* to determine if you have a Value-Based Tier Drug benefit.
- 2 Generic drugs begin with lowercase letters and brand-name drugs begin with capital letters. In addition, this list does not include all the drugs that are included in your outpatient prescription drug benefit. Some strengths or dosage forms may not be covered. Combination products of drugs on this list may also be included.
- 3 Generic Glucophage XR only.