



Primary/Preferred Drug List Change
 Detail Report
 Effective 10-01-2011

This report highlights all changes (additions and deletions) to the CVS Caremark Primary/Preferred Drug List.

ADDITIONS:

Product	Therapeutic Category/ Subcategory	Indication	Alternatives/Comments
Brand Agents:			
Duac (clindamycin/ benzoyl peroxide)	Topical/ Dermatology, Acne	Duac is indicated for the topical treatment of inflammatory acne vulgaris.	Duac (clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide) will replace Duac CS (clindamycin/ benzoyl peroxide/skin cleanser) on the Primary/Preferred Drug List as Duac CS has been discontinued by the manufacturer.
Synvisc (hylan G-F 20)	Analgesics/ Viscosupplements	Synvisc is indicated for the treatment of pain in osteoarthritis (OA) of the knee in patients who have failed to respond adequately to conservative non-pharmacologic therapy and simple analgesics (e.g., acetaminophen).	To provide a preferred therapy option for OA.
Synvisc-One (hylan G-F 20)	Analgesics/ Viscosupplements	Synvisc-One is indicated for the treatment of pain in osteoarthritis (OA) of the knee in patients who have failed to respond adequately to conservative non-pharmacologic therapy and simple analgesics (e.g., acetaminophen).	To provide a preferred therapy option for OA.
Generic Agents:			

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levofloxacin	Anti-infectives/ Fluoroquinolones	Levofloxacin is indicated in adults (≥18 years of age) with infections caused by designated, susceptible bacteria. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pneumonia: nosocomial and community acquired. • Acute bacterial sinusitis. • Acute bacterial exacerbation of chronic bronchitis. • Skin and skin structure infections: complicated and uncomplicated. • Chronic bacterial prostatitis. • Urinary tract infections: complicated and uncomplicated. • Acute pyelonephritis. • Inhalational anthrax, post-exposure. 	The “A”-rated generic levofloxacin will replace the branded agent Levaquin (levofloxacin) on the Primary/Preferred Drug List.
triamcinolone nasal spray	Respiratory/ Nasal Steroids	Triamcinolone nasal spray is indicated for treatment of nasal symptoms of seasonal and perennial allergic rhinitis in adults and children 6 years of age and older.	To provide another generic therapy option.

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DELETIONS:

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Brand Agents:			
Duac CS (clindamycin/ benzoyl peroxide/ skin cleanser)	Topical/ Dermatology, Acne	Duac CS is indicated for the topical treatment of inflammatory acne vulgaris.	Duac CS (clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide/skin cleanser) has been discontinued and will be replaced on the Primary/Preferred Drug List by Duac (clindamycin/benzoyl peroxide).
Levaquin (levofloxacin)	Anti-infectives/ Fluoroquinolones	Levaquin is indicated in adults (≥18 years of age) with infections caused by designated, susceptible bacteria. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pneumonia: nosocomial and community acquired. • Acute bacterial sinusitis. • Acute bacterial exacerbation of chronic bronchitis. • Skin and skin structure infections: complicated and uncomplicated. • Chronic bacterial prostatitis. • Urinary tract infections: complicated and uncomplicated. • Acute pyelonephritis. 	Levaquin (levofloxacin) will be replaced on the Primary/Preferred Drug List by the “A”-rated generic levofloxacin.

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		• Inhalational anthrax, post-exposure.	
Generic Agents:			
Fexofenadine - Rx	Respiratory/ Antihistamines, Nonsedating	Fexofenadine is indicated for the relief of symptoms associated with seasonal allergic rhinitis and for the treatment of uncomplicated skin manifestations of chronic idiopathic urticaria in adults and children six years of age and older.	Generic fexofenadine is available over-the-counter. The Antihistamines, Nonsedating category will be deleted from the Primary/Preferred Drug List.
trandolapril-verapamil ext-rel	Cardiovascular/ ACE Inhibitor/Calcium Channel Blocker Combinations	Trandolapril/verapamil extended-release is indicated for the treatment of hypertension.	Generic trandolapril/verapamil extended-release is no longer available from the manufacturer. The ACE Inhibitor/Calcium Channel Blocker Combinations category will be deleted from the Primary/Preferred Drug List.

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