

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina 5 Tier Essential Formulary Updates



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TRADE NAME (generic name) or generic name	Brand/ Generic Product	Effective Date	Description of Change
ADALIMUMAB-AATY CD/UC/HSSTARTER (adalimumab-aaty auto-injector kit 80 mg/0.8ml)	Brand	4/20/25	Addition, Tier 5
ADALIMUMAB-ADAZ (adalimumab-adaz soln prefilled syringe 10 mg/0.1ml)	Brand	4/6/25	Addition, Tier 5
AQNEURSA (levacetyleucine for susp packet 1 gm)	Brand	5/1/25	Addition, Tier 5
ATTRUBY (acoramidis hcl tab pack 356 mg (712 mg twice daily))	Brand	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 5
AURYXIA (ferric citrate tab 1 gm (210 mg ferric iron))	Brand	5/1/25	Addition, Tier 4
CEFPODOXIME PROXETIL (cefpodoxime proxetil for susp 100 mg/5ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Moved to Tier 4
CEFPODOXIME PROXETIL (cefpodoxime proxetil for susp 50 mg/5ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Moved to Tier 4
dihydroergotamine mesylate nasal spray 4 mg/ml	Generic	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 2
DROSPIRENONE/ETHINYL ESTRADIOL/LEVOMEFOLATE CALCIUM (drospirenone-ethinyl estrad-levomefolate tab 3-0.03-0.451 mg)	Brand	7/1/25	Moved to Tier 4
EBGLYSS (lebrikizumab-lbkz solution prefilled syringe 250 mg/2ml)	Brand	5/1/25	Addition, Tier 5
EBGLYSS (lebrikizumab-lbkz subcutaneous soln auto-inject 250 mg/2ml)	Brand	5/1/25	Addition, Tier 5
EDURANT PED (rilpivirine hcl tab for oral susp 2.5 mg (base equivalent))	Brand	5/18/25	Addition, Tier 4
eltrombopag olamine powder pack for susp 12.5 mg (base eq)	Generic	5/18/25	Addition, Tier 5 - generic for PROMACTA
eltrombopag olamine powder pack for susp 25 mg (base equiv)	Generic	5/18/25	Addition, Tier 5 - generic for PROMACTA
eltrombopag olamine tab 12.5 mg (base equiv)	Generic	5/18/25	Addition, Tier 5 - generic for PROMACTA
eltrombopag olamine tab 25 mg (base equiv)	Generic	5/18/25	Addition, Tier 5 - generic for PROMACTA
eltrombopag olamine tab 50 mg (base equiv)	Generic	5/18/25	Addition, Tier 5 - generic for PROMACTA
eltrombopag olamine tab 75 mg (base equiv)	Generic	5/18/25	Addition, Tier 5 - generic for PROMACTA
emtricitabine-rilpivirine-tenofovir df tab 200-25-300 mg	Generic	6/1/25	Addition, Tier 2 - generic for COMPLERA
ERZOFRI (paliperidone palmitate er susp pref syr 117 mg/0.75ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 4
ERZOFRI (paliperidone palmitate er susp pref syr 156 mg/ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 4
ERZOFRI (paliperidone palmitate er susp pref syr 234 mg/1.5ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 4
ERZOFRI (paliperidone palmitate er susp pref syr 351 mg/2.25ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 4
ERZOFRI (paliperidone palmitate er susp pref syr 39 mg/0.25ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 4
ERZOFRI (paliperidone palmitate er susp pref syr 78 mg/0.5ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 4
eslicarbazepine acetate tab 200 mg	Generic	5/4/25	Addition, Tier 2 - generic for APTIOM
eslicarbazepine acetate tab 400 mg	Generic	5/4/25	Addition, Tier 2 - generic for APTIOM
eslicarbazepine acetate tab 600 mg	Generic	5/4/25	Addition, Tier 2 - generic for APTIOM
eslicarbazepine acetate tab 800 mg	Generic	5/4/25	Addition, Tier 2 - generic for APTIOM
FERRIC CITRATE (ferric citrate tab 1 gm (210 mg ferric iron))	Brand	5/1/25	Addition, Tier 4
fluocinonide gel 0.05%	Generic	3/13/25	Moved to Tier 2
glucagon (rdna) for inj kit 1 mg	Generic	3/3/25	Moved to Tier 2
GNP BLOOD PRESSURE MONITOR (blood pressure monitoring - device)	Brand	5/1/25	Addition, Tier 2
HYMPAVZI (marstacimab-hncq subcutaneous soln auto-inj 150 mg/ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 5
INSULIN GLARGINE-YFGN (insulin glargine-yfgn inj 100 unit/ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 3
INSULIN GLARGINE-YFGN (insulin glargine-yfgn soln pen-injector 100 unit/ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 3
ITOVEBI (inavolisib tab 3 mg)	Brand	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 5
ITOVEBI (inavolisib tab 9 mg)	Brand	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 5
KALETRA (lopinavir-ritonavir soln 400-100 mg/5ml (80-20 mg/ml))	Brand	3/24/25	Addition, Tier 4

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LIVMARLI (maralixibat chloride tab 10 mg)	Brand	5/4/25	Addition, Tier 5
LIVMARLI (maralixibat chloride tab 15 mg)	Brand	5/4/25	Addition, Tier 5
LIVMARLI (maralixibat chloride tab 20 mg)	Brand	5/4/25	Addition, Tier 5
LIVMARLI (maralixibat chloride tab 30 mg)	Brand	5/4/25	Addition, Tier 5
mercaptopurine susp 2000 mg/100ml (20 mg/ml)	Generic	3/9/25	Addition, Tier 5 - generic for PURIXAN
MESNEX (mesna tab 400 mg)	Brand	7/1/25	Removed from formulary - generics available
methyldopa tab 250 mg	Generic	5/29/25	Moved to Tier 2
NEMLUVIO (nemolizumab-ilto for subcutaneous auto-injector 30 mg)	Brand	5/1/25	Addition, Tier 5
nilotinib hcl cap 150 mg (base equivalent)	Generic	5/25/25	Addition, Tier 5 - generic for TASIGNA
nilotinib hcl cap 200 mg (base equivalent)	Generic	5/25/25	Addition, Tier 5 - generic for TASIGNA
nilotinib hcl cap 50 mg (base equivalent)	Generic	5/25/25	Addition, Tier 5 - generic for TASIGNA
NITROLINGUAL (nitroglycerin tl soln 0.4 mg/spray (400 mcg/spray))	Brand	7/1/25	Removed from formulary - generics available
OCALIVA (obeticholic acid tab 10 mg)	Brand	7/1/25	Removed from formulary
OCALIVA (obeticholic acid tab 5 mg)	Brand	7/1/25	Removed from formulary
PARI VORTEX MASK/PEDIATRIC/MEDIUM (spacer/aerosol-holding chamber supplies - masks)	Brand	3/30/25	Addition, Tier 4
PARI VORTEX MASK/PEDIATRIC/SMALL (spacer/aerosol-holding chamber supplies - masks)	Brand	3/30/25	Addition, Tier 4
PAXLOVID (nirmatrelvir tab 6 x 150 mg & ritonavir tab 5 x 100 mg pak)	Brand	4/20/25	Addition, Tier 3
perampanel tab 10 mg	Generic	6/1/25	Addition, Tier 2 - generic for FYCOMPA
perampanel tab 12 mg	Generic	6/1/25	Addition, Tier 2 - generic for FYCOMPA
perampanel tab 2 mg	Generic	6/1/25	Addition, Tier 2 - generic for FYCOMPA
perampanel tab 4 mg	Generic	6/1/25	Addition, Tier 2 - generic for FYCOMPA
perampanel tab 6 mg	Generic	6/1/25	Addition, Tier 2 - generic for FYCOMPA
perampanel tab 8 mg	Generic	6/1/25	Addition, Tier 2 - generic for FYCOMPA
phentermine hcl-topiramate cap er 24hr 11.25-69 mg	Generic	5/11/25	Addition, Tier 2 - generic for QSYMIA
phentermine hcl-topiramate cap er 24hr 15-92 mg	Generic	5/11/25	Addition, Tier 2 - generic for QSYMIA
phentermine hcl-topiramate cap er 24hr 3.75-23 mg	Generic	5/11/25	Addition, Tier 2 - generic for QSYMIA
phentermine hcl-topiramate cap er 24hr 7.5-46 mg	Generic	5/11/25	Addition, Tier 2 - generic for QSYMIA
PROPRANOLOL HYDROCHLORIDE (propranolol hcl oral soln 20 mg/5ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Moved to Tier 4
PURIXAN (mercaptopurine susp 2000 mg/100ml (20 mg/ml))	Brand	7/1/25	Removed from formulary - generics available
RENTHYROID (thyroid tab 120 mg (2 grain))	Brand	5/16/25	Addition, Tier 3
RENTHYROID (thyroid tab 15 mg (1/4 grain))	Brand	5/16/25	Addition, Tier 3
RENTHYROID (thyroid tab 30 mg (1/2 grain))	Brand	5/16/25	Addition, Tier 3
RENTHYROID (thyroid tab 60 mg (1 grain))	Brand	5/16/25	Addition, Tier 3
RENTHYROID (thyroid tab 90 mg (1 1/2 grain))	Brand	5/16/25	Addition, Tier 3
REVUFORJ (revumenib citrate tab 110 mg)	Brand	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 5
REVUFORJ (revumenib citrate tab 160 mg)	Brand	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 5
REVUFORJ (revumenib citrate tab 25 mg)	Brand	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 5

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rivaroxaban tab 2.5 mg	Generic	4/3/25	Addition, Tier 2 - generic for XARELTO
SELARSDI (ustekinumab-aekn soln prefilled syringe 45 mg/0.5ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 5
SELARSDI (ustekinumab-aekn soln prefilled syringe 90 mg/ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 5
SEVENFACT (coagulation factor viia (recom)-jncw for inj 2 mg (2000 mcg))	Brand	3/16/25	Addition, Tier 5
SIMLANDI 1-PEN KIT (adalimumab-ryvk auto-injector kit 80 mg/0.8ml)	Brand	3/23/25	Addition, Tier 5
SODIUM CITRATE/CITRIC ACID (sodium citrate & citric acid soln 500-334 mg/5ml)	Brand	5/30/25	Addition, Tier 4
STEQEYMA (ustekinumab-stba soln prefilled syringe 45 mg/0.5ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 5
STEQEYMA (ustekinumab-stba soln prefilled syringe 90 mg/ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 5
SUNLENCA (lenacapavir sodium tab 300 mg)	Brand	4/20/25	Addition, Tier 4
ticagrelor tab 60 mg	Generic	5/4/25	Addition, Tier 2 - generic for BRILINTA
ticagrelor tab 90 mg	Generic	4/13/25	Addition, Tier 2 - generic for BRILINTA
topiramate cap er 24hr 100 mg	Generic	7/1/25	Removed from formulary
topiramate cap er 24hr 200 mg	Generic	7/1/25	Removed from formulary
topiramate cap er 24hr 25 mg	Generic	7/1/25	Removed from formulary
topiramate cap er 24hr 50 mg	Generic	7/1/25	Removed from formulary
topiramate cap er 24hr sprinkle 100 mg	Generic	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 2
topiramate cap er 24hr sprinkle 150 mg	Generic	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 2
topiramate cap er 24hr sprinkle 200 mg	Generic	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 2
topiramate cap er 24hr sprinkle 25 mg	Generic	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 2
topiramate cap er 24hr sprinkle 50 mg	Generic	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 2
TREMFYA INDUCTION PACK FOR CROHNS DISEASE (guselkumab soln auto-injector 200 mg/2ml)	Brand	3/30/25	Addition, Tier 5
TREMFYA PEN (guselkumab soln auto-injector 100 mg/ml)	Brand	4/6/25	Addition, Tier 5
VELPHORO (sucroferic oxyhydroxide chew tab 500 mg)	Brand	7/1/25	Removed from formulary
VORTEX NON ELECTROSTATICVALVED HOLDING CHAMBER/ADULT MASK (spacer/ aerosol-holding chambers - device)	Brand	3/30/25	Addition, Tier 4
VORTEX NON ELECTROSTATICVALVED HOLDING CHAMBER/PED MASK SML (spacer/aerosol-holding chambers - device)	Brand	3/30/25	Addition, Tier 4
VYALEV (foscarbidopa-foslevodopa subcutaneous inj 12-240 mg/ml)	Brand	6/1/25	Addition, Tier 5
WAKIX (pitolisant hcl tab 17.8 mg (base equivalent))	Brand	5/1/25	Addition, Tier 5
WAKIX (pitolisant hcl tab 4.45 mg (base equivalent))	Brand	5/1/25	Addition, Tier 5
XPOVIO (selinexor tab therapy pack 10 mg (40 mg once weekly))	Brand	3/16/25	Addition, Tier 5
YESINTEK (ustekinumab-kfce soln prefilled syringe 45 mg/0.5ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 5
YESINTEK (ustekinumab-kfce soln prefilled syringe 90 mg/ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 5
YESINTEK (ustekinumab-kfce subcutaneous soln 45 mg/0.5ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Addition, Tier 5
YORVIPATH (palopegteriparatide pen-inj 168 mcg/0.56ml (teriparatide eq))	Brand	5/1/25	Addition, Tier 5
YORVIPATH (palopegteriparatide pen-inj 294 mcg/0.98ml (teriparatide eq))	Brand	5/1/25	Addition, Tier 5
YORVIPATH (palopegteriparatide pen-inj 420 mcg/1.4ml (teriparatide eq))	Brand	5/1/25	Addition, Tier 5