

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina 4 Tier Formulary Updates

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TRADE NAME (generic name) or generic name	Brand/ Generic Product	Effective Date	Description of Change
ABSORICA (isotretinoin cap 10 mg)	Brand	9/1/25	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
ABSORICA (isotretinoin cap 20 mg)	Brand	9/1/25	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
ABSORICA (isotretinoin cap 25 mg)	Brand	9/1/25	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
ABSORICA (isotretinoin cap 30 mg)	Brand	9/1/25	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
ABSORICA (isotretinoin cap 35 mg)	Brand	9/1/25	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
ABSORICA (isotretinoin cap 40 mg)	Brand	9/1/25	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
ABSORICA LD (isotretinoin micronized cap 16 mg)	Brand	9/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
ABSORICA LD (isotretinoin micronized cap 24 mg)	Brand	9/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
ABSORICA LD (isotretinoin micronized cap 32 mg)	Brand	9/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
ABSORICA LD (isotretinoin micronized cap 8 mg)	Brand	9/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
ADDERALL XR (amphetamine-dextroamphetamine cap er 24hr 10 mg)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
ADDERALL XR (amphetamine-dextroamphetamine cap er 24hr 20 mg)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
ADDERALL XR (amphetamine-dextroamphetamine cap er 24hr 25 mg)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
ADDERALL XR (amphetamine-dextroamphetamine cap er 24hr 30 mg)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
ADDERALL XR (amphetamine-dextroamphetamine cap er 24hr 5 mg)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
ADDERALL XR (amphetamine-dextroamphetamine cap sr 24hr 15 mg)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
AFLURIA 2025-2026 (influenza virus vaccine split im susp)	Brand	7/13/25	Addition, Tier 2
AFLURIA 2025-2026 (influenza virus vaccine split pf susp pref syringe 0.5 ml)	Brand	7/13/25	Addition, Tier 2
ALORA (estradiol td patch twice weekly 0.1 mg/24hr)	Brand	8/31/25	Addition, Tier 3
ANDEMBRY (garadacimab-gxii soln auto-injector 200 mg/1.2ml)	Brand	7/7/25	Addition, Tier 4
ANZUPGO (delgocitinib cream 20 mg/gm (2%))	Brand	8/8/25	Addition, Tier 3
APTIOM (eslicarbazepine acetate tab 200 mg)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
APTIOM (eslicarbazepine acetate tab 400 mg)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
APTIOM (eslicarbazepine acetate tab 600 mg)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
APTIOM (eslicarbazepine acetate tab 800 mg)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
ARBLI (losartan potassium oral susp 10 mg/ml)	Brand	6/20/25	Addition, Tier 3
AVERI (desogestrel-ethinyl estradiol-fe tab 0.15-0.03 mg)	Brand	7/7/25	Addition, Tier 3
baclofen oral soln 10 mg/5ml	Generic	6/26/25	Moved to Tier 1 - generic for OZOBAX DS
BETAMETHASONE VALERATE (betamethasone valerate lotion 0.1% (base equivalent))	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
BONSITY (teriparatide soln pen-inj 560 mcg/2.24ml)	Brand	6/20/25	Addition, Tier 4
bosentan tab for oral susp 32 mg	Generic	8/17/25	Addition, Tier 1 - generic for TRACLEER
BRILINTA (ticagrelor tab 60 mg)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
BRILINTA (ticagrelor tab 90 mg)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
BRINSUPRI (brensocatic tab 10 mg)	Brand	8/29/25	Addition, Tier 4
BRINSUPRI (brensocatic tab 25 mg)	Brand	8/29/25	Addition, Tier 4
BRUKINSA (zanubrutinib tab 160 mg)	Brand	8/24/25	Addition, Tier 4
BRYNOVIN (sitagliptin hydrochloride oral soln 25 mg/ml)	Brand	8/22/25	Addition, Tier 3
BUTALBITAL/ACETAMINOPHEN/CAFFEINE (butalbital-acetaminophen-caffeine soln 50-325-40 mg/15ml)	Brand	8/29/25	Addition, Tier 3
carbinoxamine maleate tab 6 mg	Generic	7/22/25	Moved to Tier 1
CARBZAH (carbinoxamine maleate soln 4 mg/5ml)	Brand	7/25/25	Addition, Tier 3

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CHLOROQUINE PHOSPHATE (chloroquine phosphate tab 250 mg)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
COMIRNATY 2025-26 (covid-19 mma vac tris-pfizer im susp pref syr 30 mcg/0.3ml)	Brand	8/31/25	Addition, Tier 2
COMIRNATY/5-11Y/2025-26 (covid-19 mma vac tris-s 5-11y-pfizer im susp 10 mcg/0.3ml)	Brand	8/31/25	Addition, Tier 2
COMPLERA (emtricitabine-ripirovirine-tenofovir df tab 200-25-300 mg)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
CORIFACT (factor xiii concentrate (human) for inj kit 1000-1600 unit)	Brand	8/15/25	Addition, Tier 4
CRENESSITY (crinecerfont cap 25 mg)	Brand	6/15/25	Addition, Tier 4
DESMOPRESSIN ACETATE (desmopressin acetate nasal spray soln 0.01%)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
DESOXIMETASONE (desoximetasone gel 0.05%)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
DEXCOM G7 15 DAY SENSOR (continuous glucose system sensor)	Brand	8/31/25	Addition, Tier 2
DICYCLOMINE HYDROCHLORIDE (dicyclomine hcl tab 40 mg)	Brand	8/1/25	Addition, Tier 3
drosiprone-ethinyl estrad-levomefolate tab 3-0.03-0.451 mg	Generic	8/11/25	Moved to Tier 1 - generic for SAFYRAL
EFAVIRENZ/LAMIVUDINE/TENOFOVIR DISOPROXIL FUMARATE (efavirenz-lamivudine-tenofovir df tab 400-300-300 mg)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 2
EGRIFTA WR (tesamorelin acetate for subcutaneous soln kit 11.6 mg)	Brand	8/8/25	Addition, Tier 4
EKTERLY (sebetralstat tab 300 mg)	Brand	7/25/25	Addition, Tier 4
ENSACOVE (ensartinib hcl cap 100 mg (base equivalent))	Brand	6/20/25	Addition, Tier 4
ENSACOVE (ensartinib hcl cap 25 mg (base equivalent))	Brand	6/20/25	Addition, Tier 4
EPOGEN (epoetin alfa inj 10000 unit/ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
EPOGEN (epoetin alfa inj 2000 unit/ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
EPOGEN (epoetin alfa inj 20000 unit/ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
EPOGEN (epoetin alfa inj 3000 unit/ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
EPOGEN (epoetin alfa inj 4000 unit/ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
FANAPT TITRATION PACK B (iloperidone tab 1 mg & 2 mg & 6 mg & 8 mg titration pak)	Brand	7/6/25	Addition, Tier 3
FANAPT TITRATION PACK C (iloperidone tab 1 mg & 2 mg & 6 mg titration pak)	Brand	7/6/25	Addition, Tier 3
FENOPROFEN CALCIUM (fenoprofen calcium cap 400 mg)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
fidaxomicin tab 200 mg	Generic	7/20/25	Addition, Tier 1 - generic for DIFICID
FLUAD 2025-2026 (influenza vac type a&b surface ant adj susp pref syr 0.5 ml)	Brand	7/13/25	Addition, Tier 2
FLUARIX 2025-2026 (influenza virus vaccine split pf susp pref syringe 0.5 ml)	Brand	7/13/25	Addition, Tier 2
FLUBLOK 2025-2026 (influenza virus vacc recombinant ha pf soln pref syr 0.5 ml)	Brand	7/13/25	Addition, Tier 2
FLUCELVAX 2025-2026 (influenza virus vac tiss-cult subunit im susp)	Brand	7/13/25	Addition, Tier 2
FLUCELVAX 2025-2026 (influenza virus vac tiss-cult subunit susp pref syr 0.5 ml)	Brand	7/13/25	Addition, Tier 2
FLULAVAL 2025-2026 (influenza virus vaccine split pf susp pref syringe 0.5 ml)	Brand	7/13/25	Addition, Tier 2
FLUMIST NASAL VACCINE 2025-2026 (influenza virus vaccine live intranasal liquid)	Brand	7/13/25	Addition, Tier 2
FLUOROURACIL (fluorouracil cream 0.5%)	Brand	8/15/25	Addition, Tier 3
FLURBIPROFEN (flurbiprofen tab 100 mg)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
FLUTICASONE FUROATE ELLIPTA (fluticasone furoate aerosol powder breath activ 100 mcg/act)	Brand	8/8/25	Addition, Tier 3
FLUTICASONE FUROATE ELLIPTA (fluticasone furoate aerosol powder breath activ 200 mcg/act)	Brand	8/8/25	Addition, Tier 3
FLUTICASONE FUROATE ELLIPTA (fluticasone furoate aerosol powder breath activ 50 mcg/act)	Brand	8/8/25	Addition, Tier 3
FLUZONE 2025-2026 (influenza virus vaccine split im susp)	Brand	7/13/25	Addition, Tier 2
FLUZONE 2025-2026 (influenza virus vaccine split pf susp pref syringe 0.5 ml)	Brand	7/13/25	Addition, Tier 2

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FLUZONE HIGH-DOSE 2025-2026 (influenza virus vac split high-dose pf susp pref syr 0.5ml)	Brand	7/13/25	Addition, Tier 2
FREESTYLE CONTROL SOLUTION (blood glucose calibration - liquid)	Brand	10/1/25	Addition, Tier 2
FREESTYLE CONTROL SOLUTION HIGH/LOW (blood glucose calibration - liquid)	Brand	10/1/25	Addition, Tier 2
FREESTYLE INSULINX BLOODGLUCOSE TEST STRIPS (glucose blood test strip)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 2
FREESTYLE LITE TEST STRIPS (glucose blood test strip)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 2
FREESTYLE PRECISION NEO BLOOD GLUCOSE TEST STRIPS (glucose blood test strip)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 2
FREESTYLE TEST STRIPS (glucose blood test strip)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 2
GLUCOSE LIQUID (glucose oral liquid 15 gm/59ml)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
HARLIKU (nitisinone (aku) tab 2 mg)	Brand	7/18/25	Addition, Tier 4
HERNEXEOS (zongertinib tab 60 mg)	Brand	8/29/25	Addition, Tier 4
HYDROCODONE BITARTRATE/ACETAMINOPHEN (hydrocodone-acetaminophen soln 10-300 mg/15ml)	Brand	6/20/25	Addition, Tier 3
HYDROCORTISONE ACETATE (hydrocortisone acetate cream 2.5%)	Brand	8/15/25	Addition, Tier 3
hydrocortisone sodium succinate pf for inj 100 mg	Generic	8/1/25	Addition, Tier 1 - generic for SOLU-CORTEF
IBTROZI (taletrectinib adipate cap 200 mg)	Brand	6/27/25	Addition, Tier 4
IBUPROFEN (ibuprofen tab 300 mg)	Brand	7/25/25	Addition, Tier 3
IMULDOSA (ustekinumab-srlf soln prefilled syringe 45 mg/0.5ml)	Brand	7/7/25	Addition, Tier 4
IMULDOSA (ustekinumab-srlf soln prefilled syringe 90 mg/ml)	Brand	8/8/25	Addition, Tier 4
KERENDIA (finerenone tab 40 mg)	Brand	8/1/25	Addition, Tier 2
KIRSTY (insulin aspart-xjhz inj soln 100 unit/ml)	Brand	9/8/25	Addition, Tier 3
KIRSTY (insulin aspart-xjhz soln pen-injector 100 unit/ml)	Brand	9/8/25	Addition, Tier 3
LEQSELVI (deuruxolitinib phosphate tab 8 mg (base equiv))	Brand	6/20/25	Addition, Tier 4
liraglutide (weight mngmt) soln pen-inj 18 mg/3ml (6 mg/ml)	Generic	8/31/25	Addition, Tier 1 - generic for SAXENDA
LOPRESSOR (metoprolol tartrate oral soln 10 mg/ml)	Brand	7/18/25	Addition, Tier 3
MEDISENSE GLUCOSE KETONECONTROL SOLUTION 1-NORMAL (blood glucose calibration - liquid)	Brand	10/1/25	Addition, Tier 2
MEDISENSE HIGH/MID/LOW CONTROL SOLUTION (blood glucose calibration - liquid)	Brand	10/1/25	Addition, Tier 2
MERIOLOG (insulin aspart-szjj subcutaneous soln 100 unit/ml)	Brand	6/20/25	Addition, Tier 3
MERIOLOG SOLOSTAR (insulin aspart-szjj soln pen-injector 100 unit/ml)	Brand	6/20/25	Addition, Tier 3
MICORT HC (hydrocortisone acetate cream 2.5%)	Brand	8/8/25	Addition, Tier 3
MINOCYCLINE HYDROCHLORIDE ER (minocycline hcl tab er 24hr 135 mg)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
MINOCYCLINE HYDROCHLORIDE ER (minocycline hcl tab er 24hr 45 mg)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
MINOCYCLINE HYDROCHLORIDE ER (minocycline hcl tab er 24hr 90 mg)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
MNEXSPIKE COVID-19 VACCINE/2025-26 (covid-19 mma vaccine-moderna im susp pref syr 10 mcg/0.2ml)	Brand	7/20/25	Addition, Tier 2
MODERNA COVID-19 VACCINE/6MO-11Y/2025-26 (covid-19 mma vac 6mo-11yr-moderna im susp pfs 25 mcg/0.25ml)	Brand	7/27/25	Addition, Tier 2
MODEYSO (dordaviprone hcl cap 125 mg)	Brand	8/29/25	Addition, Tier 4
naloxone hcl soln prefilled syringe 0.4 mg/ml	Generic	7/28/25	Moved to Tier 1
NILOTINIB (nilotinib d-tartrate cap 150 mg (base equivalent))	Brand	7/7/25	Addition, Tier 4
NILOTINIB (nilotinib d-tartrate cap 200 mg (base equivalent))	Brand	7/7/25	Addition, Tier 4

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NILOTINIB (nilotinib d-tartrate cap 50 mg (base equivalent))	Brand	7/7/25	Addition, Tier 4
OBIZUR (antihemophilic factor (recomb porc) rpfviii for inj 500 unit)	Brand	8/15/25	Addition, Tier 4
ONETOUCH ULTRA (glucose blood test strip)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
ONETOUCH ULTRA BLUE TESTSTRIP (glucose blood test strip)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
ONETOUCH ULTRA CONTROL (blood glucose calibration - liquid)	Brand	10/1/25	Removed from formulary
ONETOUCH ULTRA CONTROL SOLUTION (blood glucose calibration - liquid)	Brand	10/1/25	Removed from formulary
ONETOUCH ULTRA TEST STRIPS (glucose blood test strip)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
ONETOUCH VERIO LEVEL 3 CONTROL SOLUTION (blood glucose calibration - liquid)	Brand	10/1/25	Removed from formulary
ONETOUCH VERIO LEVEL 4 CONTROL SOLUTION (blood glucose calibration - liquid - high)	Brand	10/1/25	Removed from formulary
ONETOUCH VERIO TEST STRIPS (glucose blood test strip)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
OPTIUMEZ TEST STRIPS (glucose blood test strip)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 2
ORLYNVAH (sulopenem etzadroxil-probenecid tab 500-500 mg)	Brand	8/1/25	Addition, Tier 3
PAROXETINE HYDROCHLORIDE (paroxetine hcl oral susp 10 mg/5ml (base equiv))	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
PENMENVY (meningococcal acwy (oligo conj)-mening b (rcmb) vacc for inj)	Brand	8/1/25	Addition, Tier 2
phentermine hcl tab 8 mg	Generic	9/3/25	Moved to Tier 1
pilocarpine hcl ophth soln 1.25%	Generic	8/10/25	Addition, Tier 1 - generic for VUITY
PRECISION GLUCOSE KETONECONTROL SOLUTION 1-LOW, 1-HIGH (blood glucose calibration - liquid)	Brand	10/1/25	Addition, Tier 2
PRECISION SOF-TACT TEST STRIPS (glucose blood test strip)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 2
PRECISION XTRA BLOOD GLUCOSE TEST STRIPS (glucose blood test strip)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 2
PREZCOBIX (darunavir-cobicistat tab 675-150 mg)	Brand	8/29/25	Addition, Tier 2
PREZCOBIX (darunavir-cobicistat tab 800-150 mg)	Brand	8/29/25	Moved to Tier 2
PROCRIT (epoetin alfa inj 10000 unit/ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
PROCRIT (epoetin alfa inj 2000 unit/ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
PROCRIT (epoetin alfa inj 20000 unit/ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
PROCRIT (epoetin alfa inj 3000 unit/ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
PROCRIT (epoetin alfa inj 4000 unit/ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
PROCRIT (epoetin alfa inj 40000 unit/ml)	Brand	7/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
PROMETHAZINE HYDROCHLORIDE (promethazine hcl syrup 6.25 mg/5ml)	Brand	6/27/25	Addition, Tier 3
PRURADIK (crotamiton lotion 10%)	Brand	6/20/25	Addition, Tier 3
PYZCHIVA (ustekinumab-ttwe soln auto-injector 45 mg/0.5ml)	Brand	8/10/25	Addition, Tier 4
PYZCHIVA (ustekinumab-ttwe soln auto-injector 90 mg/ml)	Brand	8/10/25	Addition, Tier 4
PYZCHIVA (ustekinumab-ttwe subcutaneous soln 45 mg/0.5ml)	Brand	6/29/25	Addition, Tier 4
RINGERS IRRIGATION (ringer's solution for irrigation)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
rivaroxaban for susp 1 mg/ml	Generic	7/6/25	Addition, Tier 1 - generic for XARELTO
SEPHIENCE (sepiapterin powder packet 1000 mg)	Brand	8/15/25	Addition, Tier 4
SEPHIENCE (sepiapterin powder packet 250 mg)	Brand	8/15/25	Addition, Tier 4
sertraline hcl cap 150 mg	Generic	7/27/25	Addition, Tier 1 - generic for SERTRALINE HYDROCHLORIDE
sertraline hcl cap 200 mg	Generic	7/27/25	Addition, Tier 1 - generic for SERTRALINE HYDROCHLORIDE
SOLU-CORTEF (hydrocortisone sodium succinate pf for inj 100 mg)	Brand	8/1/25	Addition, Tier 3 - generics available

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SOOLANTRA (ivermectin cream 1%)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
SPEVIGO (spesolimab-sbzo subcutaneous soln pref syr 300 mg/2ml)	Brand	8/3/25	Addition, Tier 4
SPIKEVAX COVID-19 VACCINE/2025-26 (covid-19 mrna vaccine-moderna im susp pref syr 50 mcg/0.5ml)	Brand	7/20/25	Addition, Tier 2
SULCONAZOLE NITRATE (sulconazole nitrate solution 1%)	Brand	9/1/25	Addition, Tier 3
TESTOSTERONE (testosterone td gel 20.25 mg/1.25gm (1.62%))	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
topiramate oral soln 25 mg/ml	Generic	7/13/25	Addition, Tier 1 - generic for EPRONTIA
topiramate sprinkle cap 50 mg	Generic	7/22/25	Moved to Tier 1
TRETINOIN MICROSPHERE (tretinoin microsphere gel 0.04%)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
TRETINOIN MICROSPHERE PUMP (tretinoin microsphere gel 0.04%)	Brand	10/1/25	Moved to Tier 3
TRETEN (coagulation factor xiii a-subunit for inj 2500 unit)	Brand	8/15/25	Addition, Tier 4
TRYPTYR (acoltremon ophth soln 0.003%)	Brand	7/11/25	Addition, Tier 3
VABRINTY (leuprolide acetate (3 month) for subcutaneous inj kit 22.5mg)	Brand	8/1/25	Addition, Tier 4
VABRINTY (leuprolide acetate (6 month) for subcutaneous inj kit 45 mg)	Brand	8/1/25	Addition, Tier 4
valsartan oral soln 4 mg/ml	Generic	6/30/25	Moved to Tier 1
VIZZ (aceclidine hcl ophth soln 1.44%)	Brand	8/22/25	Addition, Tier 3
YEZTUGO (lenacapavir sodium subcutaneous soln 463.5 mg/1.5ml)	Brand	7/7/25	Addition, Tier 3
YEZTUGO (lenacapavir sodium tab 300 mg)	Brand	7/7/25	Addition, Tier 3
ZELSUVMI (berdazimer sodium gel 10.3%)	Brand	6/20/25	Addition, Tier 3