

# Preventive Care Medications

## Advantage Prescription Drug List (PDL)<sup>1,2,3</sup>

### \$0 Cost-share Medications & Products



#### U.S. Preventive Services Task Force A & B Recommendation Medications and Supplements<sup>4</sup>

The Affordable Care Act (ACA) makes certain preventive medications and supplements available to you at no cost – both prescription and over-the-counter (OTC). The following preventive medications are covered at 100% with \$0 copay when:

- Prescribed by a health care professional
- Age and/or condition appropriate
- Filled at a network pharmacy

OTC	Medication/Supplement	Population	Reason
	Aspirin – 81 mg	Women who are at risk for preeclampsia during pregnancy	Prevent preeclampsia during pregnancy
	Aspirin – 81, 162 & 325 mg	Men age 45-79 Women age 55-79	Prevent cardiovascular disease
	Folic acid 400 & 800 mcg	Women who are or may become pregnant	Prevent birth defects
	Vitamin D – 400 & 1,000 units	Age 65 and over	Fall risk prevention
	Bisacodyl EC	Recommended age 50-75	Bowel preparation for colonoscopy needed for colon cancer screening
	Magnesium Citrate		
	PEG 3350 (generic Miralax) <i>Only the OTC product is covered at \$0 cost-share. The prescription version of this product may be covered with a copay or coinsurance depending on your plan.</i>		
Rx	Medication/Supplement	Population	Reason
	<b>Generic Colyte 240/22.74 g sold as:</b> PEG-3350/electrolytes Gavilyte-C	Recommended age 50-75	Bowel preparation for colonoscopy needed for colon cancer screening
	<b>Generic Golytely 236/22.7 g sold as:</b> PEG-3350/electrolytes Gavilyte-G		
	<b>Generic Nulytely sold as:</b> PEG-3350/NaCl/NaBicarbonate/KCl Gavilyte-N Trilyte		
	Fluoride tablets, solution (not toothpaste, rinses)	Children age 0-6 years <sup>5</sup>	Prevent dental cavities if water source is deficient in fluoride

1. Please note this list is subject to change.
2. Always refer to your benefit plan materials to determine your coverage for medications and cost-share. Some medications listed on the PDL may not be covered under your specific benefit. Where differences are noted, the benefit plan documents will govern.
3. All branded medications are trademarks or registered trademarks of their respective owners.
4. The listed age limits are based on U.S. Preventive Services Task Force Recommendations; coverage for additional populations may also apply as required.
5. For pharmacy benefits plans administered in the state of New York, Fluoride tablets/solution are covered for members age 0-16 years..

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## Over-the-Counter Birth Control (contraceptives) for Women

### Birth Control Contraceptives (over-the-counter)






















Contraceptive films	The following forms of birth control (contraceptives) are available over-the-counter (OTC) and will be covered at \$0 cost-share when prescribed by a health care professional and filled at a network pharmacy. Male forms of birth control (contraception) are not currently considered Preventive Care Medications under the Affordable Care Act.
Contraceptive foams	
Contraceptive gels	
Contraceptive sponges	
Emergency birth control (contraceptives) (generic for Plan B, generic for Plan B One-Step)	
Female condoms	

## Prescription Hormonal Birth Control (contraceptives)





### Brand Hormonal Birth Control (contraceptives)

 NuvaRing

### Generic Hormonal Birth Control (contraceptives)

-  Altavera, Chateal, Kurvelo, Levonorgestrel/Ethinyl Estradiol 0.15/0.03 mg, Levora-28, Marlissa, Portia-28 (generic Nordette)
-  Alyacen 1/35, Cyclofem 1/35, Dasetta 1/35, Necon 1/35, Nortrel 1/35, Pirmella 1/35 (generic Ortho-Novum 1/35)
-  Alyacen 7/7/7, Cyclofem 7/7/7, Dasetta 7/7/7, Necon 7/7/7, Nortrel 7/7/7, Pirmella 7/7/7 (generic Ortho-Novum 7/7/7)
-  Apri, Cyred, Desogestrel/Ethinyl Estradiol 0.15/0.03 mg, Emoquette, Enskyce, Juleber, Reclipsen (generic Desogen, Ortho-Cept)
-  Aranelle, Leena (generic Tri-Norinyl)
-  Aubra, Aviane, Delyla, Falmina, Larissia, Lessina, Levonorgestrel/Ethinyl Estradiol 0.1/0.02 mg, Lutera, Orsythia, Sronyx, Vienva (generic Alesse)
-  Blisovi FE, Gildess FE, Junel FE, Larin FE, Microgestin FE, Norethindrone/Ethinyl Estradiol/FE 1/0.02 mg, Tarina FE (generic Loestrin FE)
-  Camila, Deblitane, Errin, Heather, Jencycla, Jolivette, Lyza, Nora-BE, Norethindrone 35 mcg, Norlyroc, Sharobel (generic Micronor, Nor-Q-D)
-  Caziant, Velivet (generic Cyclessa)
-  Cryselle-28, Elinest, Low-Ogestrel (generic Lo/Ovral)
-  Enpresse-28, Levonest, Levonorgestrel/Ethinyl Estradiol 6-5-10, Myzilra, Trivora-28 (generic Triphasil)
-  Estarylla, Femynor, Mono-Linyah, MonoNessa, Norgestimate/Ethinyl Estradiol 0.25/0.035 mg, Previfem, Sprintec (generic Ortho-Cyclen)
-  Ethynodiol Diacetate/Ethinyl Estradiol 1/0.05 mg, Zovia-1/50E (generic Demulen 1/50)
-  Introvale, Jolessa, Levonorgestrel/Ethinyl Estradiol 0.15/0.03 mg, Quasense, Setlakin (generic Seasonale)
-  Kelnor 1/35, Zovia-1/35E (generic Demulen 1/35)
-  Medroxyprogesterone Acetate 150 mg/mL (generic Depo-Provera)
-  Necon 0.5/35, Nortrel 0.5/35, Wera 0.5/35 (generic Brevicon, Modicon)
-  Necon 1/50 (generic Norinyl 1/50)
-  Necon 10/11 (generic Ortho-Novum 10/11)
-  Norgestimate/Ethinyl Estradiol 0.18-0.215-0.25/0.035 mg, Tri-Estarylla, Tri-Linyah, Trinessa, Tri-Previfem, Tri-Sprintec (generic Ortho Tri-Cyclen)
-  Xulane (generic Ortho-Evra)

### KEY

-  Birth Control Pill (oral contraceptive)
-  Birth Control Ring (contraceptive vaginal ring)
-  Birth Control Shot (injectable contraceptive)
-  Birth Control Patch (contraceptive transdermal patch)

## Prescription Cervical Caps and Diaphragms for Birth Control (contraceptives)

### Brand Cervical Caps

Femcap

Prentif

### Brand Diaphragms

Koro-Flex

Koromex

Omniflex

Ortho Coil

Ortho-Diaphragm

Ortho Flex

Wide-Seal

## Prescription Emergency Birth Control (contraceptives)

### Brand Emergency Birth Control (contraceptives)

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Plan B One-Step

### Generic Emergency Birth Control (contraceptives)


Aftera, EContra EZ, Fallback Solo, Levonorgestrel 1.5 mg, My Way, Next Choice One Dose, Opcon One-Step, Option 2, React, Take Action (generic Plan B One-Step)

## Tobacco Cessation Medications<sup>4</sup>

If you need help to quit smoking or using tobacco products, these preventive medications are available to you at \$0 cost-share. To qualify, you need to:

- Be age 18 or older.<sup>6</sup>
- Ask your doctor to obtain Notification/Prior Authorization if required.<sup>7,8,9</sup> Your doctor will need to let us know you are also getting counseling to help you stop using tobacco products.
- Get a prescription for these products from your doctor, even if the products are sold over-the-counter (OTC).
- Fill the prescription at a network pharmacy.

Up to two 90-day treatment courses are covered at no cost each year. Prior Authorization<sup>7,8,9</sup> is required for each 90-day drug supply.

<p><b>Over-the-counter Medications</b> <i>Requires Prior Authorization<sup>7,9</sup></i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nicotine Replacement Gum</li> <li>• Nicotine Replacement Lozenge</li> <li>• Nicotine Replacement Patch</li> </ul>
<p><b>Prescriptions</b> <i>Requires Prior Authorization<sup>8,9</sup></i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bupropion sustained-release (generic Zyban) Tablet<sup>8,9</sup></li> </ul> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div> <p>These three prescription medications are covered with Prior Authorization <b>after members have tried:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) One over-the-counter nicotine product <b>and</b></li> <li>2) Bupropion sustained-release (generic Zyban) separately</li> </ol> </div> </div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nicotrol Inhaler</li> <li>• Nicotrol Nasal Spray</li> <li>• Chantix Tablet</li> </ul>

6. For pharmacy benefits plans administered in the state of Oregon, these tobacco cessation medications are covered for members age 15 and older.

7. Prior Authorization is not required for over-the-counter nicotine products if your pharmacy benefit plan is administered in Oregon.

8. Prior Authorization is not required for bupropion if your pharmacy benefit plan is administered in Indiana, Louisiana, Massachusetts, New Mexico or Oregon.

9. If your pharmacy benefit plan is administered in Kentucky, you are eligible for a total of 180 days of medication dispensed as 30-day fills over a period of 365 days before prior authorization or step therapy requirements will be applied to additional quit attempts.

## Breast Cancer Preventive Medications<sup>4</sup>

For members who are at increased risk for breast cancer but have not had breast cancer, these preventive medications are available at \$0 cost-share. To qualify, you must:

- Be age 35 or older
- At increased risk for the first occurrence of breast cancer – after risk assessment and counseling
- Obtain Prior Authorization

These medications are typically covered at the customary cost-share amount for your plan for the treatment of breast cancer, to prevent breast cancer recurrence and for other indications. They are available at \$0 cost-share to prevent the first occurrence of breast cancer if a prior authorization is obtained. If you qualify, you can receive these drugs at \$0 cost-share for up to five years, minus any time you have been taking them for prevention.

### Breast Cancer Medications (prescription)

raloxifene

tamoxifen

## Statin Preventive Medications<sup>4</sup>

*Note: Becomes effective on Dec. 1, 2017 for most plans. Coverage may become available on May 15, 2017 for some New York plans.*

The U.S. Preventive Service Task Force recommends that adults without a history of cardiovascular disease (CVD) – symptomatic coronary artery disease or stroke – use a low-to-moderate-dose statin for the prevention of CVD events in individuals who meet the following criteria:

- Are age 40-75, **and**
- Have one or more cardiovascular risk factors (high cholesterol, diabetes, hypertension, or smoking), **and**
- A calculated 10-year risk of a cardiovascular event of 10% or greater.

### Statins available at \$0 cost-share

lovastatin (generic Mevacor) – All strengths

\*atorvastatin (generic Lipitor) 10 & 20 mg  
*Prior Authorization required to confirm risk of CVD*

\*simvastatin (generic Zocor) 5, 10, 20 & 40 mg  
*Prior Authorization required to confirm risk of CVD*

\*These medications are typically covered at the customary cost-share amount for your plan. However, they are available at \$0 cost-share to prevent cardiovascular disease if a prior authorization is obtained. If you qualify based on criteria above, you can receive these drugs at \$0 cost-share.



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# Health Care Reform Pharmacy Benefit Preventive Care Medications Coverage Frequently Asked Questions

Under the health reform law, health plans must cover U.S. Preventive Services Task Force A & B Recommendation medications and FDA-approved prescription and over-the-counter (OTC) contraceptives for women at 100 percent without charging a copayment, coinsurance or deductible when:

- Prescribed by a health care professional
- Age and/or condition appropriate
- Filled at a network pharmacy

To comply with these regulations which continue to be clarified further by the U.S. Dept. of Labor, Health & Human Services and the Treasury, UnitedHealthcare offers this list of \$0 cost-share Preventive Care Medications.

## Which Preventive Care Medications are available at no cost?

Refer to the list in this document, sign in to myuhc.com, or call the number on the back of your health plan ID card for a list of medications covered at \$0 cost-share.

Please note, in order to obtain coverage at no cost for Preventive Care Medications and products (including over-the-counter) you will need a prescription from your doctor.

## What if my doctor says I need birth control that is not on this Preventive Care Medication List?

Our Preventive Care Medications list covers all methods of FDA-approved birth control available through your **pharmacy benefit**. However, your doctor may decide you need birth control (contraception) that is not on this list for medical reasons. If so, you can request the type you need by calling the number on your health plan ID card, and asking how to obtain coverage. Medical reasons may include side effects, whether the birth control is permanent or can be reversed, and whether you can use the product as required.

Your **medical benefit** will also cover other forms of birth control such as IUDs, implants and surgical sterilization (having your tubes tied).

## What if my plan has a religious exemption for covering contraceptives?

Some plans may not have coverage for contraceptives if your employer qualifies for a religious exemption. However, you will still have coverage without cost-share of the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force A & B Recommendation medications listed on the Preventive Care Medications list, such as aspirin and vitamin D, tobacco cessation and breast cancer preventive medications.

## If I need to take preparation medications before a preventive colonoscopy, how can I get these for no cost?

If you are scheduled for a preventive colonoscopy, ask your doctor for a prescription for one of the no cost preparation medications. You can fill this prescription at a retail network pharmacy at no cost to you.

## What if my doctor prescribes a preparation medication for my preventive colonoscopy that is not on this list?

You can ask your doctor for a prescription for one of the medications on this list that your doctor feels would work for you. For some medical reasons, your doctor may decide you need a medication that is not on this list to prepare for your preventive colonoscopy. If so, you can request the medication you need by calling the number on your health plan ID card, and asking how to obtain coverage at no cost. Medical reasons may include side effects, and whether you can use the product as required.

If you need a prescription medication to prepare for a colonoscopy that is **not preventive**, these medications may still be covered with a copayment or coinsurance.

## If I'm at risk for cardiovascular disease, how can I get statin medications at no cost to me?

If you are a member age 40-75, and at risk for cardiovascular disease, your doctor may offer to prescribe statin medications. Select statins are covered at no cost-share for individuals who have certain risk factors for cardiovascular disease. Depending on the medication, your doctor may need to submit a prior authorization request to get medications approved for you at \$0 cost-share if you meet coverage criteria. For members who don't meet this \$0 cost-share criteria or don't request prior authorization, statins will continue to be covered at the customary cost-share amount for your plan.

## How can I get preventive medications to help me stop using tobacco for no cost?

If you are age 18<sup>6</sup> or older and want to quit using tobacco products, talk to your doctor about medications that can help. If your doctor decides this therapy is right for you, they may prescribe an over-the-counter or prescription medication.

Your doctor can submit a Prior Authorization request to get these approved for you at \$0 cost-share if you are also getting counseling to help you stop using tobacco products. Your doctor can provide this counseling or help you to find a provider.

### If I'm at risk for breast cancer, how can I get preventive medications for no cost?

If you are a member age 35 or older, talk to your doctor about your risk of getting breast cancer if you have not had it.

If your doctor decides these drugs are appropriate for you, your doctor may offer to prescribe risk-reducing medications, such as raloxifene or tamoxifen.

Your doctor can submit a Prior Authorization request to get these approved for you at \$0 cost-share if you meet coverage criteria.<sup>11</sup>

### How can I get aspirin to prevent preeclampsia during pregnancy for no cost?

Low-dose or baby aspirin (81 mg) is available at no cost to pregnant women at risk for preeclampsia. If you are pregnant and at risk for preeclampsia, ask your doctor about whether low-dose aspirin can help. If so, your doctor can give you a prescription for low-dose aspirin to be filled at a retail network pharmacy at no cost to you.

### Will this drug list change?

Drug lists can and do change, so it's always good to check. You can find updated information by:

- Signing in to [myuhc.com](http://myuhc.com), and going to Pharmacy Information
- Calling the number on your health plan ID card

### What if I have a high-deductible or consumer-driven health (CDH) plan?

The same no-cost options on the list applicable to your plan will be available to you if you are in one of these plans. If you fill a prescription for covered products not on your plan's no-cost drug list, you will need to pay the full cost, until your pharmacy plan deductible is reached.

### Are the no-cost Preventive Care Medications available at both retail and mail pharmacies?

Preventive Care Medications are available at both network retail pharmacies and the mail order pharmacy for plans with a mail order benefit.

### What if the health care reform law requirements for Preventive Care Medication coverage change?

If the law requiring plans to provide Preventive Care Medications at no cost changes, information on how your costs may be impacted will be available to you by:

- Signing in to [myuhc.com](http://myuhc.com), and going to Pharmacy Information
- Calling the number on your health plan ID card

### What if my doctor prescribes a similar preventive medication that is not on this list?

The health reform law allows plans to use reasonable medical management to decide which product/medications are provided at \$0 cost-share. If you choose a no-cost product from the list applicable to your plan, your cost at the pharmacy will be \$0. If you choose a covered product/medication that is not on the list, a copay or coinsurance may be required. And this cost will apply to your deductible if you have one.

You can ask your doctor for a prescription for one of the medications on this list that your doctor feels would work for you. For some medical reasons, your doctor may decide you need a medication that is not on this list.<sup>10</sup> If so, you can request the medication you need by calling the number on your health plan ID card, and asking how to obtain coverage at no cost. Medical reasons may include side effects, and whether you can use the medication/product as required.



## Still have questions?

Sign in to [myuhc.com](http://myuhc.com) and go to Pharmacy Information or call the number on your health plan ID card.



10. When informed by a member's health care provider, UnitedHealthcare will accommodate a coverage exception request for any member when one of the \$0 cost medications listed on the Preventive Care Medications list may be medically inappropriate as determined by the health care provider for that member and UnitedHealthcare will waive the otherwise applicable cost-sharing for a medication not represented on the Preventive Care Medications list.

11. If your pharmacy benefit plan is grandfathered under the ACA, these drugs may be covered at the normal cost-share.