

Provider Update

Pharmacy formulary change notice

What this means to you: Effective April 1, 2016, the following changes were made to the state formulary for Statewide Medicaid Managed Care Managed Medical Assistance (SMMC MMA) members.

Effective for all patients on April 1, 2016			
Therapeutic class	Drug	Revised status	Potential alternatives
SPACERS	ACE AEROSOL CLOUD ENHANCER	PREFERRED	N/A
SPACERS	BREATHERITE MDI SPACER	PREFERRED	N/A
SPACERS	EASIVENT MASK	PREFERRED	N/A
SPACERS	MICROCHAMBER	PREFERRED	N/A
SPACERS	MICROSPACER FOR AEROSOL DEVICE	PREFERRED	N/A
SPACERS	NESSI SPACER	PREFERRED	N/A
SPACERS	OPTICHAMBER ADULT MASK-LARGE	PREFERRED	N/A
SPACERS	OPTICHAMBER DIAMOND VHC	PREFERRED	N/A
SPACERS	OPTICHAMBER DIAMOND	PREFERRED	N/A
SPACERS	PANDA MASK	PREFERRED	N/A
SPACERS	PEDIATRIC PANDA MASK	PREFERRED	N/A
SPACERS	POCKET CHAMBER	PREFERRED	N/A
SPACERS	PRIMEAIRE CHAMBER	PREFERRED	N/A
SPACERS	PROCHAMBER HOLDING CHAMBER	PREFERRED	N/A
SPACERS	SIDESTREAM PEDIATRIC FACE MASK	PREFERRED	N/A
SPACERS	SILICONE MASK-PEDIATRIC	PREFERRED	N/A
SPACERS	VORTEX HOLDING CHAMBER	PREFERRED	N/A
SPACERS	VORTEX VHC FROG CHILD MASK	PREFERRED	N/A
SPACERS	VORTEX VHC LADYBUG TODDLER MSK	PREFERRED	N/A

What action do I need to take?

Please review these changes and work with your Amerigroup patients to transition them to formulary alternatives. If you determine preferred formulary alternatives are not clinically appropriate for specific patients, you will need to obtain prior authorization (PA) to continue coverage beyond the applicable effective date.

What if I need assistance?

We recognize the unique aspects of patients' cases. If for medical reasons any of your Amerigroup patients cannot be converted to a formulary alternative, call our Pharmacy department at 1-800-454-3730 and follow the voice prompts for pharmacy PA. You can find the preferred drug list on our provider website at providers.amerigroup.com.

If you need assistance with any other item, contact your local Provider Relations representative or call Provider Services at 1-800-454-3730.