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Quarterly pharmacy formulary change notice

Summary of change: The formulary changes listed in the table below were reviewed and approved at our March 29, 2016, Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee meeting.

Effective August 1, 2016, the changes outlined below apply to all Amerigroup Community Care patients.

What is the impact of this change?

Therapeutic class	Drug	Revised status	Potential alternatives
Reminder: effective for all patients on August 1, 2016			
ORAL INHALED CORTICOSTEROIDS	ARNUITY ELLIPTA INH	PREFERRED	N/A
ORAL INHALED CORTICOSTEROIDS	ASMANEX TWISTHALER FLOVENT HFA INHALER FLOVENT DISKUS	COVERED ONLY FOR MEMBERS LESS THAN 6 YEARS OF AGE	ARNUITY ELLIPTA AEROSPAN
ORAL INHALED CORTICOSTEROIDS	QVAR ORAL INHALER	COVERED ONLY FOR MEMBERS LESS THAN 12 YEARS OF AGE	ARNUITY ELLIPTA AEROSPAN
ORAL INHALED CORTICOSTEROIDS	ASMANEX HFA INHALER PULMICORT FLEXHALER	NONPREFERRED	ARNUITY ELLIPTA AEROSPAN
ORAL INHALED CORTICOSTEROIDS COMBINATION	BREO ELLIPTA 200-25 MCG INH BREO ELLIPTA 100-25 MCG INH	PREFERRED WITH STEP THERAPY (ST)	N/A
ORAL INHALED CORTICOSTEROIDS COMBINATION	SYMBICORT 80-4.5 MCG INHALER SYMBICORT 160-4.5 MCG INHALER	NONPREFERRED	BREO ELLIPTA DULERA ST REQUIRED

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 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 your Amerigroup patient cannot be converted to a formulary alternative, call our Pharmacy department at 1-800-454-3730 and follow the voice prompts for pharmacy prior authorization. You can find the *Preferred Drug List* on our provider website at <https://providers.amerigroup.com/NJ>.

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