

## **Amerigroup Washington, Inc. Preferred Drug List update**

Effective October 1, 2018, Amerigroup implements the next phase of the Health Care Authority's Preferred Drug List (PDL) for Apple Health members.

This move is part of an ongoing effort to minimize rising prescription drug costs while working to ensure access to clinically effective and appropriate drug therapies.

The PDL will include 65 new drug classes and will continue to develop through consultation with Amerigroup, the other Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) serving Apple Health members and the state's Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee/Drug Utilization Review Board.

These 65 new drug classes will be incorporated into the Amerigroup PDL on October 1, 2018. Providers should continue to use our PDL when submitting prior authorization (PA) requests. PA requests are accepted online at CoverMyMeds.com, by phone at 1-800-454-3730 or by fax at 1-844-493-9207 for retail PA requests or 1-844-493-9209 for online and medical injectable requests. A copy of the PDL will be available on our website at <https://providers.amerigroup.com/WA>.

Impacted members will be notified by letter if a change to their medication is necessary based on PDL changes. Some drugs will be grandfathered in, and no change will be necessary for members with prescriptions for those medications.

If you have questions about this communication, contact your local Provider Relations representative or call Provider Services toll free at 1-800-454-3730.