



Capital BlueCross

Products Changing Tier Status

Key: Lowercase print = generic; UPPERCASE PRINT = BRAND;
PAR = Prior Authorization Required; EPA/ST = Enhanced Prior Authorization/Step Therapy Required;
QLL = Quantity Level Limits Apply

The information below shows brand medications that are changing tier status. Generally, the lower the tier numbers, the lower the cost for members. In many cases, drugs are moved to higher tiers because generic equivalents or more cost-effective alternatives are available on lower tiers.

The following medication is **changing tier status** effective January 1, 2013.

For Commercial Members:

- Tier 2 to Tier 3 – TESTIM (*Impacted members will be notified prior to change.*)
- Tier 3 to Tier 2 – AXIRON, BYSTOLIC (EPA), DEXILANT (EPA, QLL), WELCHOL

For Medicare Members:

- **Tier 4 to Tier 3** (*Non-Preferred/Non-Formulary Brand to Preferred/Formulary Brand*) - AZOR (ST), BENICAR/-HCT (QLL), EXFORGE/-HCT (ST), PRADAXA (PAR), SIMCOR (ST, QLL), TRIBENZOR, WELCHOL
- **Tier 3 to Tier 4** (*Preferred/Formulary Brand to Non-Preferred/Non-Formulary Brand*) - COMTAN, CRESTOR (ST, QLL), DIOVAN/ - HCT (ST, QLL), GEODON (QLL), MENEST (PAR), NUVIGIL (PAR), ONGLYZA (ST), PLAVIX, SEROQUEL, SINGULAIR (ST), SURMONTIL, TEKTURNA/-HCT (ST), VIRAMUNE, VYTORIN (ST, QLL), ZYPREXA/- ZYDIS (QLL)
- **Tier 5/NF to Tier 5** – (*Non High Cost to High Cost*) – fondaparinux (QLL), PROVIGIL (PAR, QLL), XGEVA (PAR)
- **Tier 5 to Tier 5/NF** (*High Cost to High Cost/ Non-Formulary*) - ABSTRAL (ST, QLL), ARIXTRA (QLL), REVATIO (PAR), TYSABRI (PAR)
- **Not Covered** - butalbital/acetaminophen/caffeine (e.g. FIORICET), diazepam rectal gel e.g., DIASTAT), MEBARA

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