



MassHealth Brand Name Preferred Over Generic Drug List

This is the list of brand name drugs that MassHealth prefers over their generic equivalents because the net cost of the brand name drugs adjusted for rebates is lower than the net cost of the generic equivalents.

Please note that MassHealth may still require prior authorization (PA) for clinical reasons. Drugs that require additional PA requirements are noted with “PA” on this list.

In general, MassHealth requires a trial of the preferred drug or clinical rationale for prescribing the non-preferred drug generic equivalent.

This list may be updated often and is subject to change at any time.

- Absorica (isotretinoin) – **PA**
- Acthar (corticotropin) – **PA**
- Adderall XR (amphetamine salts extended-release) – **PA < 3 years and PA > 2 units/day**
- Advair (fluticasone/salmeterol inhalation powder)
- Afinitor (everolimus 2.5 mg, 5 mg, 7.5 mg, 10 mg) – **PA**
- Afinitor Disperz (everolimus tablets for oral suspension) – **PA**
- Alphagan P (brimonidine 0.1%, 0.15% eye drops)
- Amicar (aminocaproic acid)
- Amitiza (lubiprostone) – **PA**
- Ancobon (flucytosine)
- Androgel (testosterone 1% gel packet) – **PA**
- Androgel (testosterone 1.62% gel packet, pump) – **PA**
- Antara (fenofibrate 30 mg, 90 mg capsule)
- Apriso (mesalamine extended-release)
- Asacol HD (mesalamine high dose delayed-release)
- Azasite (azithromycin ophthalmic solution) – **PA**
- Azopt (brinzolamide)
- Banzel (rufinamide) – **PA**
- Bepreve (bepotastine)
- Bethkis (tobramycin inhalation solution) – **PA**
- Biltricide (praziquantel)
- Brovana (arformoterol) – **PA**
- Buphenyl (sodium phenylbutyrate)
- Butrans (buprenorphine transdermal) – **PA > 20 mcg/hr and PA > 4 patches/28 days**
- Byetta (exenatide)
- Bystolic (nebivolol)
- Carac (fluorouracil 0.5% cream) – **PA**
- Carafate (sucralfate suspension)
- Carbaglu (carglumic acid) – **PA**
- Catapres-TTS (clonidine patch) – **PA**
- Cayston (aztreonam)
- Ciprodex (ciprofloxacin/dexamethasone)
- Combigan (brimonidine/timolol, ophthalmic)
- Concerta (methylphenidate extended-release) – **PA < 3 years and PA > 2 units/day**
- Copaxone (glatiramer)
- Cuprimine (penicillamine capsule)
- Daliresp (roflumilast) – **PA**
- Daraprim (pyrimethamine) – **PA**
- Demser (metyrosine)
- Depakote (divalproex sprinkle capsule) – **PA < 6 years**
- Dexilant (dexlansoprazole) – **PA > 1 unit/day**
- Diastat (diazepam rectal gel) – **PA > 5 kits (10 syringes)/month**
- Diclegis (doxylamine/pyridoxine delayed-release) – **PA**

- Differin (adapalene cream, 0.3% gel pump, lotion) – **PA**
- Duetact (glimepiride/pioglitazone) – **PA**
- Dulera (mometasone/formoterol)
- Durezol (difluprednate)
- Dymista (azelastine/fluticasone propionate)
- Efudex (fluorouracil 5% cream)
- Elidel (pimecrolimus)
- Emend (aprepitant trifold pack) – **PA > 2 packs/28 days**
- Emtriva (emtricitabine)
- Epiduo Forte (adapalene 0.3%/benzoyl peroxide 2.5%) – **PA**
- Exelon (rivastigmine patch) – **PA > 1 unit/day**
- Exjade (deferasirox 125 mg, 250 mg, 500 mg)
- Finacea (azelaic acid gel) – **PA**
- Firvanq (vancomycin oral solution)
- Flovent (fluticasone propionate inhalation aerosol)
- Focalin XR (dexmethylphenidate extended-release) – **PA < 3 years and PA > 2 units/day**
- Forfivo XL (bupropion hydrochloride extended-release 450 mg tablet) – **PA**
- Forteo (teriparatide) – **PA**
- Fortesta (testosterone 2% gel pump) – **PA**
- Gilenya (fingolimod) – **PA**
- Glumetza (metformin extended-release, gastric tablet) – **PA**
- Hepsera (adefovir) – **PA > 1 unit/day**
- Intelence (etravirine)
- Invega (paliperidone tablet) – **PA**
- Isordil (isosorbide dinitrate 40 mg tablet) – **PA**
- Istalol (timolol)
- Jevtana (cabazitaxel) – **PA**
- Jublia (efinaconazole) – **PA**
- Kazano (alogliptin/metformin) – **PA**
- Kitabis Pak (tobramycin inhalation solution)
- Letairis (ambrisentan) – **PA**
- Lexiva (fosamprenavir)
- Lialda (mesalamine delayed-release)
- Lotemax (loteprednol 0.5%)
- Lyrica CR (pregabalin extended-release) – **PA**
- Mephyton (phytonadione)
- Mitigare (colchicine capsule) – **PA**
- Monurol (fosfomycin)
- Moviprep (polyethylene glycol-electrolyte solution)
- Narcan (naloxone 4 mg nasal spray)
- Nesina (alogliptin) – **PA**
- Neupro (rotigotine transdermal system) – **PA > 1 unit/day**
- Norvir (ritonavir tablet)
- Noxafil (posaconazole) – **PA**
- Oseni (alogliptin/pioglitazone) – **PA**
- Oxycontin (oxycodone extended-release tablet) – **PA**
- Perforomist (formoterol inhalation solution) – **PA**
- Pradaxa (dabigatran etexilate mesylate)
- Prevacid Solutab (lansoprazole orally disintegrating tablet) – **PA ≥ 2 years**
- Prezista (darunavir)
- Pristiq (desvenlafaxine succinate extended-release) – **PA < 6 years and PA > 1 unit/day**
- Proair HFA (albuterol inhaler)
- Proglycem (diazoxide)
- Protonix (pantoprazole 40 mg suspension) – **PA**
- Protopic (tacrolimus topical)
- Rapamune (sirolimus solution)
- Remodulin (treprostinil injection) – **PA**
- Renagel (sevelamer hydrochloride)
- Restasis (cyclosporine 0.05% ophthalmic emulsion)
- Retin-A (tretinoin) – **PA ≥ 22 years**
- Revatio (sildenafil 20 mg tablet) – **PA**
- Revatio (sildenafil oral suspension) – **PA**
- Revlimid (lenalidomide) – **PA**
- Rozerem (ramelteon) – **PA > 1 unit/day**
- Sabril (vigabatrin) – **PA**
- Samsca (tolvaptan) – **PA**
- Sandostatin LAR (octreotide injectable suspension)
- Selzentry (maraviroc tablet) – **PA**
- Solodyn (minocycline extended-release 55 mg, 65 mg, 115 mg tablet)
- Sporanox (itraconazole solution)
- Soolantra (ivermectin cream) – **PA**
- Sorilux (calcipotriene foam) – **PA**
- Strattera (atomoxetine) – **PA < 6 years**

- Suboxone (buprenorphine/naloxone film ≤ 24 mg/day)
- Suboxone (buprenorphine/naloxone film) – **PA > 90 days (> 24 mg/day and ≤ 32 mg/day)**
- Suboxone (buprenorphine/naloxone film) – **PA > 32 mg/day**
- Suprep (sodium sulfate/potassium sulfate/magnesium sulfate) – **PA**
- Sutent (sunitinib) – **PA**
- Symbicort (budesonide/formoterol)
- Syprine (trientine)
- Taclonex (betamethasone/calcipotriene scalp suspension) – **PA**
- Targretin (bexarotene)
- Tecfidera (dimethyl fumarate) – **PA**
- Teflaro (ceftaroline) – **PA**
- Tekturna (aliskiren) – **PA**
- Testim (testosterone 1% gel tube) – **PA**
- Thalomid (thalidomide)
- Thiola (tiopronin)
- Timoptic Ocudose (timolol ophthalmic unit dose solution) – **PA**
- Tirosint (levothyroxine)
- Toviaz (fesoterodine)
- Tracleer (bosentan) – **PA**
- Transderm-Scop (scopolamine transdermal patch)
- Travatan Z (travoprost 0.004% eye drop)
- Tykerb (lapatinib)
- Vascepa (icosapent ethyl) – **PA**
- Veletri (epoprostenol) – **PA**
- Viibryd (vilazodone) – **PA**
- Vytorin (ezetimibe/simvastatin) – **PA > 1 unit/day**
- Welchol (colesevelam)
- Xopenex HFA (levalbuterol inhaler)
- Zavesca (miglustat) – **PA**
- Zioptan (tafluprost) – **PA**
- Zoladex (goserelin) – **PA**
- Zomig (zolmitriptan nasal spray) – **PA**
- Zovirax (acyclovir cream)
- Zovirax (acyclovir suspension)
- Zyclara (imiquimod 2.5%, 3.75% cream) – **PA**
- Zytiga (abiraterone 250 mg, 500 mg) – **PA**