



MassHealth Over-the-Counter Drug List

This page lists the only over-the-counter (OTC) drugs that are covered by MassHealth without prior authorization (PA). All other OTC drugs require PA, except select OTC insulins. All OTC insulins are covered for members at home, in nursing facilities, or in rest homes; however, PA restrictions apply as listed in the MassHealth Drug List. Please refer to 130 CMR 406.411(A) and 406.412 (A)(2) for further information on OTC drugs. The items are listed alphabetically by therapeutic class, then by the generic name of the drug or drug ingredients. In general, MassHealth pays only for generic versions of these OTC drugs, singly or in combination, regardless of strength or dosage formulation unless otherwise specified. Combination products that contain active ingredients that are not included in this list require PA. Notwithstanding the above, MassHealth may pay for a brand-name OTC product if that product is medically necessary under 130 CMR 450.204. All brand-name OTC products currently covered by MassHealth without PA are listed by brand name, below.

Allergy Agents, Ophthalmic

ketotifen

naphazoline

Naphcon-A (naphazoline/
pheniramine)

Opcon-A (naphazoline/
pheniramine)

Analgesics

acetaminophen ≤ 4 grams/day

aspirin 81 mg

aspirin 325 mg, 500 mg, 650 mg

aspirin suppository

aspirin with buffers

capsaicin

ibuprofen

naproxen capsule, tablet

Anthelmintic Agents

Reese's Pinworm (pyrantel
pamoate)

Antihistamines/

Decongestants

cetirizine syrup, tablet

cetirizine/pseudoephedrine

chlorpheniramine

diphenhydramine

doxylamine

fexofenadine tablet

fexofenadine/pseudoephedrine

loratadine tablet, solution

loratadine/pseudoephedrine

pseudoephedrine ≤ 240 mg/day

Antimicrobials, Topical

bacitracin

chlorhexidine gluconate

clotrimazole

double antibiotic ointment

hydrogen peroxide

iodine

isopropyl alcohol

miconazole

neomycin

povidone

tolnaftate cream, powder

triple antibiotic ointment

Compounding Agents

cherry syrup

gelatin capsule, empty

Ora-Plus suspending vehicle

Ora-Sweet oral syrup

Ora-Sweet-SF oral syrup

simple syrup

Contraceptives, Oral

levonorgestrel 1.5 mg tablet

Contraceptives, Topical

nonoxynol-9 *

Dermatologic Agents, Topical

benzoyl peroxide

calamine lotion

colloidal oatmeal

hydrocortisone cream, lotion,
ointment

hydrophilic ointment

lanolin

petrolatum

selenium sulfide

vitamin A and D ointment

witch hazel

zinc oxide

Gastrointestinal Agents

Align (bifidobacterium infantis)
< 22 years

aluminum carbonate

aluminum hydroxide

bisacodyl enema, suppository

bisacodyl tablet

bismuth subsalicylate

calcium polycarbophil

cimetidine

Culturelle (lactobacillus

rhamnosus GG) < 22 years

dextrin

docusate sodium capsule, tablet

docusate sodium enema

docusate sodium solution, syrup

* Branded OTC nonoxynol-9 products are covered by MassHealth without PA.

**Gastrointestinal Agents
(continued)**

famotidine tablet
Florastor (saccharomyces
boulardii) < 22 years
glycerin
lactase
loperamide
magaldrate
magnesium salts
meclizine
methylcellulose
mineral oil
polyethylene glycol 3350
psyllium capsule
psyllium powder
sennosides tablet
sennosides syrup
simethicone
sodium bicarbonate
sodium phosphate

Intranasal Sprays

budesonide nasal spray ≤ 1
inhaler/30 days
triamcinolone nasal spray ≤ 1
inhaler/30 days

Opioid Reversal Agents

Narcan (naloxone 4 mg nasal
spray) †

Otic Agents

carbamide peroxide

Pediculicides/Scabicides

permethrin
piperonyl butoxide/pyrethrins

Respiratory Agents

sodium chloride for inhalation

Smoking Cessation

nicotine gum, lozenge, patch

**Tear/Saliva Replacement
Agents**

artificial tears
saliva substitute

**Vitamins/Nutrients/
Supplements**

calcium replacement
cod liver oil
coenzyme Q10 < 21 years
electrolyte solution, pediatric
ferrous fumarate
ferrous gluconate
ferrous sulfate
folic acid
glucose products < 19 years
magnesium salts
melatonin gummy, solution, tablet
melatonin/pyridoxine tablet
multivitamins
niacinamide
nicotinic acid
pediatric multivitamins
Phos-Flur (sodium fluoride oral
rinse)
prenatal vitamins
potassium phosphate
sodium chloride tablet
sodium fluoride
vitamin A (retinol)
vitamin B-1 (thiamine)
vitamin B-2 (riboflavin)
vitamin B-3 (niacin)
vitamin B-6 (pyridoxine)
vitamin B-12 (cyanocobalamin)
vitamin B complex
vitamin C (ascorbic acid)
vitamin D
vitamin E, oral
vitamins, multiple
vitamins, multiple/minerals
vitamins, pediatric
vitamins, prenatal

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