

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina 4 Tier Formulary Updates

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TRADE NAME (generic name) or generic name	Brand/ Generic Product	Effective Date	Description of Change
AMERITHROID (thyroid tab 120 mg (2 grain))	Brand	7/12/26	Addition, Tier 3
AMERITHROID (thyroid tab 15 mg (1/4 grain))	Brand	7/12/26	Addition, Tier 3
AMERITHROID (thyroid tab 180 mg (3 grain))	Brand	7/12/26	Addition, Tier 3
AMERITHROID (thyroid tab 240 mg (4 grain))	Brand	7/12/26	Addition, Tier 3
AMERITHROID (thyroid tab 30 mg (1/2 grain))	Brand	7/12/26	Addition, Tier 3
AMERITHROID (thyroid tab 300 mg (5 grain))	Brand	7/12/26	Addition, Tier 3
AMERITHROID (thyroid tab 60 mg (1 grain))	Brand	7/12/26	Addition, Tier 3
AMERITHROID (thyroid tab 90 mg (1 1/2 grain))	Brand	7/12/26	Addition, Tier 3
ATOMOXETINE HYDROCHLORIDE (atomoxetine hcl soln 4mg/ml (base equiv))	Brand	7/24/26	Addition, Tier 3
ATONCY (atomoxetine hcl soln 4mg/ml (base equiv))	Brand	6/19/26	Addition, Tier 3
AUVELITY TITRATION PACK (dextromethorphan-bupropion tab er pack 30-105 & 45-105 mg)	Brand	6/7/26	Addition, Tier 3
AVTOZMA (tocilizumab-anoh subcutaneous soln auto-inj 162 mg/0.9ml)	Brand	7/24/26	Moved to Tier 3
AVTOZMA (tocilizumab-anoh subcutaneous soln pref syr 162 mg/0.9ml)	Brand	7/24/26	Moved to Tier 3
AWIQLI FLEXTOUCH (insulin icodex-abae soln pen-injector 700 unit/ml)	Brand	7/31/26	Addition, Tier 3
azilsartan medoxomil tab 40 mg	Generic	6/15/26	Moved to Tier 1 - generic for EDARBI
azilsartan medoxomil tab 80 mg	Generic	6/15/26	Moved to Tier 1 - generic for EDARBI
BESREMI PEN (ropeginterferon alfa-2b-njft soln pen inj 500 mcg/0.5ml)	Brand	7/19/26	Addition, Tier 4
bosutinib tab 100 mg	Generic	6/14/26	Addition, Tier 4 - generic for BOSULIF
bosutinib tab 400 mg	Generic	6/21/26	Addition, Tier 4 - generic for BOSULIF
bosutinib tab 500 mg	Generic	6/14/26	Addition, Tier 4 - generic for BOSULIF
BREZTRI AEROSPHERE (budesonide-glycopyrrolate-formoterol aers 160-18-4.8 mcg/act)	Brand	6/26/26	Addition, Tier 3
BUCAPSOL (buspirone hcl cap 5 mg)	Brand	8/2/26	Addition, Tier 3
BUSPIRONE HYDROCHLORIDE (buspirone hcl tab 12.5 mg)	Brand	6/26/26	Addition, Tier 3
BUSPIRONE HYDROCHLORIDE (buspirone hcl tab 2.5 mg)	Brand	6/26/26	Addition, Tier 3
CAVHANZA (nilotinib tab disint 60 mg)	Brand	7/24/26	Addition, Tier 4
CAVHANZA (nilotinib tab disint 80 mg)	Brand	7/24/26	Addition, Tier 4
CLOTIC (clotrimazole otic soln 1%)	Brand	9/4/26	Addition, Tier 3
COMIRNATY 2026-27 (covid-19 mma vac tris-pfizer im susp pref syr 30 mcg/0.3ml)	Brand	8/30/26	Addition, Tier 2
COMIRNATY/5-11Y/2026-27 (covid-19 mma vac tris-s 5-11y-pfizer im susp 10 mcg/0.3ml)	Brand	8/30/26	Addition, Tier 2
dasatinib tab 100 mg	Generic	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 4 - generic for SPRYCEL
dasatinib tab 140 mg	Generic	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 4 - generic for SPRYCEL
dasatinib tab 20 mg	Generic	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 4 - generic for SPRYCEL
dasatinib tab 50 mg	Generic	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 4 - generic for SPRYCEL
dasatinib tab 70 mg	Generic	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 4 - generic for SPRYCEL
dasatinib tab 80 mg	Generic	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 4 - generic for SPRYCEL
dextromethorphan hbr-quinidine sulfate cap 20-10 mg	Generic	8/7/26	Addition, Tier 1 - generic for NEUDEXTA
DOXYCYCLINE HYCLATE (doxycycline hyclate cap 75 mg)	Brand	7/24/26	Addition, Tier 3
DRONABINOL (dronabinol soln 5 mg/ml)	Brand	6/19/26	Addition, Tier 4
DULOXETINE HYDROCHLORIDE DR (duloxetine hcl enteric coated pellets cap 120 mg (base eq))	Brand	7/10/26	Addition, Tier 3

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DULOXETINE HYDROCHLORIDE DR (duloxetine hcl enteric coated pellets cap 80 mg (base eq))	Brand	7/10/26	Addition, Tier 3
DULOXETINE HYDROCHLORIDE DR (duloxetine hcl enteric coated pellets cap 90 mg (base eq))	Brand	7/10/26	Addition, Tier 3
FARXIGA (dapagliflozin tab 10 mg)	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
FARXIGA (dapagliflozin tab 5 mg)	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
fenoprofen calcium cap 300 mg	Generic	8/5/26	Moved to Tier 1
FLUAD 2026-2027 (influenza vac type a&b surface ant adj susp pref syr 0.5 ml)	Brand	7/12/26	Addition, Tier 2
FLUARIX 2026-2027 (influenza virus vaccine split pf susp pref syringe 0.5 ml)	Brand	7/19/26	Addition, Tier 2
FLUBLOK 2026-2027 (influenza virus vacc recombinant ha pf soln pref syr 0.5 ml)	Brand	7/19/26	Addition, Tier 2
FLUCELVAX 2026-2027 (influenza virus vac tiss-cult subunit susp pref syr 0.5 ml)	Brand	7/12/26	Addition, Tier 2
FLULAVAL 2026-2027 (influenza virus vaccine split pf susp pref syringe 0.5 ml)	Brand	7/26/26	Addition, Tier 2
FLUMIST NASAL VACCINE 2026-2027 (influenza virus vaccine live intranasal liquid)	Brand	8/2/26	Addition, Tier 2
FLUZONE 2026-2027 (influenza virus vaccine split im susp)	Brand	7/19/26	Addition, Tier 2
FLUZONE 2026-2027 (influenza virus vaccine split pf susp pref syringe 0.5 ml)	Brand	7/19/26	Addition, Tier 2
FLUZONE HIGH-DOSE 2026-2027 (influenza virus vac split high-dose pf susp pref syr 0.5ml)	Brand	7/19/26	Addition, Tier 2
FOUNDAYO (orforglipron calcium (weight management) tab 0.8 mg)	Brand	7/1/26	Moved to Tier 2
FOUNDAYO (orforglipron calcium (weight management) tab 14.5 mg)	Brand	7/1/26	Moved to Tier 2
FOUNDAYO (orforglipron calcium (weight management) tab 17.2 mg)	Brand	7/1/26	Moved to Tier 2
FOUNDAYO (orforglipron calcium (weight management) tab 2.5 mg)	Brand	7/1/26	Moved to Tier 2
FOUNDAYO (orforglipron calcium (weight management) tab 5.5 mg)	Brand	7/1/26	Moved to Tier 2
FOUNDAYO (orforglipron calcium (weight management) tab 9 mg)	Brand	7/1/26	Moved to Tier 2
FUROSCIX READYFLOW (furosemide subcutaneous soln auto-injector 80 mg/ml)	Brand	8/9/26	Addition, Tier 4
GWYN LO (norelgestromin-ethinyl estradiol td ptwk 220-20 mcg/24hr)	Brand	8/28/26	Addition, Tier 3
HYDROXYCHLOROQUINE SULFATE (hydroxychloroquine sulfate tab 100 mg)	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 3
HYDROXYCHLOROQUINE SULFATE (hydroxychloroquine sulfate tab 300 mg)	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 3
HYDROXYCHLOROQUINE SULFATE (hydroxychloroquine sulfate tab 400 mg)	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 3
HYMPAVZI (marstacimab-hncq subcutaneous soln auto-inj 75 mg/0.5ml)	Brand	6/28/26	Addition, Tier 4
JANUMET (sitagliptin phosphate-metformin hcl tab 50-1000 mg)	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
JANUMET (sitagliptin phosphate-metformin hcl tab 50-500 mg)	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
JANUVIA (sitagliptin phosphate tab 100 mg (base equiv))	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
JANUVIA (sitagliptin phosphate tab 25 mg (base equiv))	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
JANUVIA (sitagliptin phosphate tab 50 mg (base equiv))	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
JIDEYTRO (zidesamtinib tab 100 mg)	Brand	8/14/26	Addition, Tier 4
JIDEYTRO (zidesamtinib tab 25 mg)	Brand	8/14/26	Addition, Tier 4
KETOROLAC TROMETHAMINE (ketorolac tromethamine ophth soln 0.4%)	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 3
labetalol hcl tab 400 mg	Generic	6/17/26	Moved to Tier 1
LEQEMBI IQLIK (lecanemab-irmb soln auto-inj 2 x 250 mg/1.25ml (500 mg dose))	Brand	8/2/26	Addition, Tier 4
LIPFENDRA (enlicotide decanoate tab 20 mg)	Brand	8/7/26	Addition, Tier 3
LYNAVOY (linerixibat tab 40 mg)	Brand	7/10/26	Addition, Tier 4
mesalamine cap er 250 mg	Generic	7/26/26	Addition, Tier 1 - generic for PENTASA

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METHYLPHENIDATE ER ODT (methylphenidate tab extended release disintegrating 17.3 mg)	Brand	7/10/26	Addition, Tier 3
METHYLPHENIDATE ER ODT (methylphenidate tab extended release disintegrating 25.9 mg)	Brand	7/10/26	Addition, Tier 3
METHYLPHENIDATE ER ODT (methylphenidate tab extended release disintegrating 8.6 mg)	Brand	7/10/26	Addition, Tier 3
MFLUSIVA 2026-27 (influenza virus vac type a&b mma susp pref syr 0.38 ml)	Brand	8/9/26	Addition, Tier 2
MIDAZOLAM HYDROCHLORIDE (midazolam solution auto-injector 10 mg/0.7ml)	Brand	10/1/26	Removed from formulary
mirabegron granules for oral extended release susp 8 mg/ml	Generic	6/14/26	Addition, Tier 1 - generic for MYRBETRIQ
MNEXSPIKE COVID-19 VACCINE/2026-27 (covid-19 mma vaccine-moderna im susp pref syr 10 mcg/0.2ml)	Brand	8/30/26	Addition, Tier 2
NAPROXEN SODIUM ER (naproxen sodium tab er 24hr 750 mg (base equiv))	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 3
NILUTAMIDE (nilutamide tab 150 mg)	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 4
NUEDEXTA (dextromethorphan hbr-quinidine sulfate cap 20-10 mg)	Brand	8/7/26	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
NUVAXOVID COVID-19 VACCINE/2026-27 (covid-19 subunit vacc-novavax im susp pref syr 5 mcg/0.5ml)	Brand	8/30/26	Addition, Tier 2
OMLYCLO (omalizumab-igec subcutaneous soln prefilled syr 150 mg/ml)	Brand	8/21/26	Addition, Tier 4
OMLYCLO (omalizumab-igec subcutaneous soln prefilled syr 300 mg/2ml)	Brand	8/21/26	Addition, Tier 4
OMLYCLO (omalizumab-igec subcutaneous soln prefilled syr 75 mg/0.5ml)	Brand	8/21/26	Addition, Tier 4
oxymetazoline hcl cream 1%	Generic	7/19/26	Addition, Tier 1 - generic for RHOFADE
PAZOPANIB HYDROCHLORIDE (pazopanib hcl tab 400 mg (base equiv))	Brand	6/19/26	Addition, Tier 4
PELLIX (calcipotriene soln 0.005% (50 mcg/ml))	Brand	7/17/26	Addition, Tier 3
PENTAZOCINE/NALOXONE HCL (pentazocine w/ naloxone hcl tab 50-0.5 mg)	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 3
PREDNISON DR (prednisone tab delayed release 5 mg)	Brand	8/28/26	Addition, Tier 3
PRENACORE (prenatal vit w/ fe fumarate-fa chew tab 29-1 mg)	Brand	9/4/26	Addition, Tier 3
propranolol hcl oral soln 20 mg/5ml	Generic	8/5/26	Moved to Tier 1
rifapentine tab 150 mg	Generic	8/2/26	Addition, Tier 1 - generic for PRIFTIN
RIZAFILM (rizatriptan benzoate oral film 10 mg (base equivalent))	Brand	9/4/26	Addition, Tier 3
RIZAFILM (rizatriptan benzoate oral film 5 mg (base equivalent))	Brand	9/4/26	Addition, Tier 3
sitagliptin phosphate-metformin hcl tab er 24hr 100-1000 mg	Generic	8/2/26	Addition, Tier 1 - generic for JANUMET XR
sitagliptin phosphate-metformin hcl tab er 24hr 50-1000 mg	Generic	8/2/26	Addition, Tier 1 - generic for JANUMET XR
sitagliptin phosphate-metformin hcl tab er 24hr 50-500 mg	Generic	8/2/26	Addition, Tier 1 - generic for JANUMET XR
SKYRIZI (risankizumab-rzaa soln prefilled syringe 55 mg/0.37ml)	Brand	7/12/26	Addition, Tier 3
SPIKEVAX COVID-19 VACCINE/2026-27 (covid-19 mma vaccine-moderna im susp pref syr 50 mcg/0.5ml)	Brand	8/30/26	Addition, Tier 2
SPIKEVAX COVID-19 VACCINE/6MO-11Y/2026-27 (covid-19 mma vac 6mo-11yr-moderna im susp pfs 25 mcg/0.25ml)	Brand	8/30/26	Addition, Tier 2
TAPENTADOL HYDROCHLORIDE (tapentadol hcl soln 20 mg/ml (base equivalent))	Brand	7/31/26	Addition, Tier 3
THROMBIN-JMI (thrombin topical soln 20000 unit/20ml)	Brand	6/21/26	Addition, Tier 3
THROMBIN-JMI (thrombin topical soln 5000 unit/5ml)	Brand	6/21/26	Addition, Tier 3
tofacitinib citrate oral soln 1 mg/ml (base equivalent)	Generic	7/10/26	Addition, Tier 3 - generic for XELJANZ

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tofacitinib citrate oral soln 1 mg/ml (base equivalent)	Generic	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 4 - generic for XELJANZ
tofacitinib citrate tab 10 mg (base equivalent)	Generic	7/10/26	Addition, Tier 3 - generic for XELJANZ
tofacitinib citrate tab 10 mg (base equivalent)	Generic	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 4 - generic for XELJANZ
tofacitinib citrate tab 5 mg (base equivalent)	Generic	7/10/26	Addition, Tier 3 - generic for XELJANZ
tofacitinib citrate tab 5 mg (base equivalent)	Generic	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 4 - generic for XELJANZ
tofacitinib citrate tab er 24hr 11 mg (base equivalent)	Generic	7/10/26	Addition, Tier 3 - generic for XELJANZ XR
tofacitinib citrate tab er 24hr 11 mg (base equivalent)	Generic	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 4 - generic for XELJANZ XR
tofacitinib citrate tab er 24hr 22 mg (base equivalent)	Generic	7/10/26	Addition, Tier 3 - generic for XELJANZ XR
tofacitinib citrate tab er 24hr 22 mg (base equivalent)	Generic	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 4 - generic for XELJANZ XR
tretinoin microsphere gel 0.06%	Generic	8/16/26	Addition, Tier 1 - generic for RETIN-A MICRO
trihexyphenidyl hcl oral soln 0.4 mg/ml	Generic	7/27/26	Moved to Tier 1
TRUTAKNA (atacept-vymj subcutaneous soln auto-inj 150 mg/ml)	Brand	7/24/26	Addition, Tier 4
TRYNGOLZA (olezarsen sod subcut soln auto-inject 50 mg/0.8ml (base eq))	Brand	7/5/26	Addition, Tier 4
TYVASO DPI MAINTENANCE KIT (treprostinil inh powder 112 x 48mcg & 112 x 80mcg)	Brand	6/7/26	Addition, Tier 4
UPTRAVI (selexipag tab 100 mcg)	Brand	8/2/26	Addition, Tier 3
UPTRAVI (selexipag tab 150 mcg)	Brand	8/2/26	Addition, Tier 3
URSOLIGN (ursodiol cap 150 mg)	Brand	8/7/26	Addition, Tier 3
VALTYA 1/50 (ethynodiol diacetate & ethinyl estradiol tab 1 mg-50 mcg)	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 3
VEPPANU (vepdegestrant tab 100 mg)	Brand	7/10/26	Addition, Tier 4
VEPPANU (vepdegestrant tab 200 mg)	Brand	7/10/26	Addition, Tier 4
XELJANZ (tofacitinib citrate oral soln 1 mg/ml (base equivalent))	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 4 - generics available
XELJANZ (tofacitinib citrate tab 10 mg (base equivalent))	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 4 - generics available
XELJANZ (tofacitinib citrate tab 5 mg (base equivalent))	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 4 - generics available
XELJANZ XR (tofacitinib citrate tab er 24hr 11 mg (base equivalent))	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 4 - generics available
XELJANZ XR (tofacitinib citrate tab er 24hr 22 mg (base equivalent))	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 4 - generics available
XIGDUO XR (dapagliflozin free base-metformin hcl tab er 24hr 10-1000 mg)	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
XIGDUO XR (dapagliflozin free base-metformin hcl tab er 24hr 10-500 mg)	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
XIGDUO XR (dapagliflozin free base-metformin hcl tab er 24hr 5-1000 mg)	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
XIGDUO XR (dapagliflozin free base-metformin hcl tab er 24hr 5-500 mg)	Brand	10/1/26	Moved to Tier 3 - generics available
XOCOVA (ensitrelvir fumarate tab 125 mg)	Brand	6/26/26	Addition, Tier 3
ZENBEXUS (iberdomide hydrochloride cap 0.75 mg)	Brand	9/4/26	Addition, Tier 4
ZENBEXUS (iberdomide hydrochloride cap 1 mg)	Brand	9/4/26	Addition, Tier 4