# eFormulary Updates

#### **DEFINITIONS**

**Formulary** These drugs are included in Mass General Brigham's covered drug list.

**Non-Formulary** These drugs are not included in Mass General Brigham's formulary. The plan

would only cover formulary alternatives. Providers can request Non-Formulary drugs as an exception, and the plan would require trial of all appropriate

formulary alternatives prior to approving coverage of a Non-Formulary drug. If a Non-Formulary drug is approved, the member's cost sharing would be the

highest tier.

Preferred These drugs are on Mass General Brigham's formulary and offer a lower cost to

members.

Non-Preferred These drugs are on Mass General Brigham's formulary but offer a higher cost to

members.

**Excluded** Mass General Brigham does not cover these drugs. Members will receive a denial

for all Excluded drug requests.

### **Updates for Commercial Members**

#### Effective 11/01/2025

Test Strips and Meters
OneTouch test strips and glucometers will be nonformulary. Starting on
11/1/2025, the following Accu-Chek and FreeStyle test strips will be preferred and covered without prior authorization (quantity limits will apply):

- Accu-Chek Aviva Plus
- Accu-Chek Guide
- Accu-Chek Smart View
- FreeStyle Precision Neo
- FreeStyle Insulinx
- FreeStyle
- FreeStyle Lite

Compatible glucometers for the above test strips will be covered without prior authorization; quantity limits will apply.

Please consider preparing members currently utilizing OneTouch test strips and glucometers. FreeStyle and Accu-Chek meters and test strips will be covered

beginning 11/1/2025. Preparing prescriptions to be filled on or after that date will
facilitate the transition.

#### Effective 12/01/2025

Beyfortus	Criteria for Beyfortus for the diagnosis of cystic fibrosis are being updated to require the member either has manifestations of severe lung disease (previous hospitalization for pulmonary exacerbation in the first year of life or abnormalities on chest imaging that persist when stable) or weight-for-length that is less than the 10 <sup>th</sup> percentile.
Litfulo	Reauthorization criteria for Litfulo are being updated to require documentation supporting improvement in the signs and symptoms of alopecia area from baseline (e.g., increased hair on scalp, eyebrows, eyelashes).
Xolair	Initial criteria for chronic spontaneous urticaria (CSU) are being updated to require diagnosis, age of 12 years or older, persistent symptoms for at least 6 consecutive weeks despite concurrent use of a second generation H1 antihistamine and a minimum 2-week trial of up-dosing of the second generation H1 antihistamine, and attestation the requested medication will be used concurrently with a second generation H1 antihistamine unless the member has an intolerance or contraindication.
	Reauthorization criteria for CSU are being updated to require member is 12 years of age or older and has experienced one or both of the following: reduction in itching severity from baseline and reduction in number of hives from baseline.
Synagis	Criteria are being updated to include the requirement that the member has not received a dose of Enflonsia during the current RSV season.
Tocilizumab Products:	Updating initial criteria for giant cell arteritis to require trial and failure,
Actemra	contraindication, or intolerance to a glucocorticoid (e.g., prednisone).
Tofidence	
Tyenne	For all indications approval language for Tofidence is being updated to require trial and failure, intolerance or contraindication to either Actemra or Tyenne.

## **Updates for MassHealth Members**

#### Effective 01/01/2026

The following changes are being made as part of the MassHealth Medicaid Medical Benefit Alignment initiative and Prime implementation:

The following medications will	Abrilada (adalimumab-afzb)
now be available on the	Amjevita (adalimumab-atto)
medical benefit with prior	Cyltezo (adalimumab-adbm)
authorization and will remain	Hadlima (adalimumab-bwwd)
on the pharmacy benefit with	Hulio (adalimumab-fkjp)
prior authorization:	Humira (adalimumab)
	Hyrizmo (adalimumab-adaz)



	Idacio (adalimumab-aacf)
	Simlandi (adalimumab-ryvk)
	Yuflyma (adalimumab-aaty)
	Yusimry (adalimumab-aqvh)
	Enbrel (etanercept)
	Stelara (ustekinumab)
	Zymfentra (infliximab-dyyb)
	Ameluz 10% gel
	Blenrep injection
	Byfavo injection
	Faslodex (fulvestrant) injection
	Gamastan S/D, Gamastan injection
	Hydroprogesterone caproate injection
	Ibandronate injection
	Infugem injection
	Jesduvroq tablet
	Levulan Kerastick
	Lupaneta Pack
The following medications will	Marqibo injection
be available on the medical	Nypozi injection
benefit without restrictions:	Palynziq injection
	Prevymis injection
	Quzyttir injection
	Rebyota rectal suspension
	Rezzayo injection
	Rivfloza injection
	Sezaby injection
	Tpoxx injection
	Uptavi IV injection
	Vafseo tablet
	Zulresso injection
	Olinvyk injection
This medication will only be	
available on the pharmacy	
benefit with prior	Entyvio subcutaneous injection
authorization:	
Dungat Congrue Theoremia	Eacladay will ramain on the modical benefit without restrictions
Breast Cancer Therapies	Faslodex will remain on the medical benefit without restrictions.
	Enjaymo will require a step-through with a rituximab containing
Complement Inhibitors	regimen.
	Uplizna will require a step-through with Enspryng.



	<ul> <li>Prescriber specialty requirements were also added throughout the policy.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>The following updates were made to Soliris:         <ul> <li>For Myasthenia Gravis, Soliris will require additional step-through options with either Imaavy, Rystiggo, or Vyvgart/Vyvgart Hytrulo and both Ultomiris and Zilbrysq.</li> <li>For NMOSD, PNH, and aHUS, Soliris will require a step through with Ultomiris.</li> <li>For all indications, Soliris will require clinical rationale for its use instead of both Bkemv and Epysqli.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Piasky will now require an additional step-through with Ultomiris.</li> <li>For generalized Myasthenia Gravis, Ultomiris will require additional step-through options with either Imaavy, Rystiggo, or Vyvgart/Vyvgart Hytrulo.</li> <li>For Veopoz, the vaccine requirement was removed and a step-through with Bkemv Epysqli, or Soliris was added.</li> </ul>
	aHUS=atypical hemolytic-uremic syndrome (aHUS), NMOSD=neuromyelitis optica spectrum disorder, PNH=paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria
Palynziq	Palynziq will now be available through the medical benefit without restrictions and will remain on the pharmacy benefit with a prior authorization.
Infliximab Agents: Avsola Inflectra	All agents will require to step-through the preferred drugs: unbranded infliximab and Avsola.
Infliximab Remicade Renflexis Zymfentra	Zymfentra will now be available through the medical benefit with a prior authorization and will remain on the pharmacy benefit with a prior authorization.
Intravenous Immune Globulin	Gamastan S/D was removed from the policy as this agent has been discontinued.
Multiple Myeloma Agents	Blenrep was removed from the policy due to FDA withdrawal.
Oncology Immunotherapy	For Keytruda, the Child-Pugh reference for the hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) indication was removed following NCCN recommendations.
Systemic Chemotherapy	Infugem was removed from the policy due to FDA withdrawal.
Omvoh	Criteria for Crohn's Disease was added to the policy. Criteria will require appropriate diagnosis and dosing, and medical necessity for the use of the pen or syringe instead of the 300 mg dose pack.
Skyrizi IV	Fistulizing Crohn's Disease was added as an acceptable diagnosis.
Tremfya IV	The pityriasis rubra pilaris (PRP) diagnosis was removed from the policy as this indication is not applicable to the vial formulation.



	For polyarticular juvenile idiopathic arthritis (PJIA) indication, criteria for
	step-through with one anti-tumor necrosis factor agent was added.
Actemra IV	
	For uveitis indication, criteria for step-through with Humira or medical
	necessity for use of Actemra IV instead of Humira was added.
Cincaia N/	For all indications, criteria for medical necessity for use of Cimzia IV instead
Cimzia IV	of Enbrel and Humira was added.
Canada w IV	Criteria for enthesitis related arthritis (ERA) diagnosis was added requiring
Cosentyx IV	diagnosis, age ≥ 4 to < 18 years, and appropriate dosing.
	For ulcerative colitis and Crohn's disease indications, criteria for step-
	through with one anti-tumor necrosis factor agent was added.
Entyvio	
	Fistulizing Crohn's disease was added to the policy as an acceptable
	diagnosis.
llumya	For plaque psoriasis indication, criteria for step-through with Stelara, Skyrizi,
numya	and Taltz, and one anti-tumor necrosis factor agent were added.
Tofidence	Initial approval duration was updated to allow 3 months approval for higher
Tyenne	or frequent dosing requests.

