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Attention Nevada Medicaid Providers Who Prescribe, Dispense, Or Administer Drugs: Nevada Medicaid is Implementing a Single Preferred Drug List (sPDL)

Beginning on January 1, 2026, Nevada Medicaid will transition to a Single Preferred Drug List (sPDL) to create a more consistent and streamlined approach to medication coverage. This change is designed to improve access to medications, reduce administrative complexity, and support better coordination of care across all programs.

What does this mean?

- **For providers:** The sPDL will simplify the prescribing process by offering a unified list of preferred medications across the Fee-for-Services and Nevada Medicaid Managed Care plans. This change will help reduce confusion and administrative burden, making it easier to determine which drugs are covered. Providers are encouraged to review the new PDL and adjust prescribing practices as needed. Please note that prior authorization requirements may change for certain medications.
- **For members:** This transition will bring more consistent medication coverage across different Medicaid programs. If your current medication is affected, your health plan will contact you with information about next steps and who to reach out to for help.
- **Legacy Coverage Period:** To support this transition, there will be a temporary coverage period beginning January 1, 2026, through June 30, 2026, allowing members to continue their current prescriptions. This will give time for providers and members to adjust and, when appropriate, switch to a preferred medication. The goal is to maintain continuity of care and avoid treatment disruptions.

This change reflects Nevada Medicaid's mission in ensuring Nevadans have equitable access to medications, promoting cost-effective prescribing, and enhancing the overall quality of care.

For the most up-to-date Nevada Medicaid Preferred Drug List (PDL), visit <https://nv.primetherapeutics.com/home>. Providers with questions can contact their health plan's Pharmacy Benefit Manager customer care team. Medicaid members can reach out to their health plan by visiting <https://dhcfp.nv.gov/Members/BLU/MCOMain/>, or by speaking with their provider or pharmacy for assistance.