

Albuterol HFA Inhaler Formulary Change

Effective January 13, 2010, Ventolin HFA becomes the only formulary albuterol HFA for Physicians Plus Insurance Corporation.

Ventolin NDCs

NDC 00173-0682-20	Ventolin HFA 18 gram
NDC 00173-0682-21	Ventolin HFA 8 gram
NDC 00173-0682-24	Ventolin HFA 8 gram
NDC 00173-0682-54	Ventolin HFA 8 gram
NDC 00173-0682-81	Ventolin HFA 8 gram

There are no grandfathering periods. All current and future members are affected by this formulary change. Ventolin HFA is positioned on Tier 2 of the Physicians Plus formulary.

ProAir and Proventil HFA products will be NDC blocked. This means that all claims at the point-of-sale will deny with the DUR message stating, "Ventolin HFA Preferred." This may result in your pharmacy making adjustments to inventory. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Instructions for Pharmacy:

- ◆ **Ventolin HFA is the only formulary alternative available at a Tier 2 copay.** This can be automatically substituted by the retail pharmacist if the prescriber originally wrote "Albuterol HFA" on the prescription order.
- ◆ **If the prescriber originally ordered ProAir HFA or Proventil HFA, a new prescription order from the doctor is required.** Pharmacies assisting members in switching to Ventolin HFA will be reimbursed a one-time, \$5 service fee. The fee should be billed under a new Rx Number with the Physicians Plus Pharmacy Services Cognitive Service Program using a Reason-Action-Result code of: NF-FE-IE.

Please contact Physicians Plus Pharmacy Services Department with questions

Office hours: Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

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