



PREFERRED DRUG LIST UPDATES

Integrated (Title 19/21 SMI) and ACC, DD, ALTCS and DCS CHP

Additions:

- Gvoke Hypopen 1 Pack 0.5mg/0.1mL (Quantity Limit)
- Gvoke Hypopen 2 Pack 1mg/0.2mL (Quantity Limit)
- Invega Hafyera 1092mg/3.5mL (Quantity Limit, Age Restriction)
- Invega Hafyera 1560mg/3.5mL (Quantity Limit, Age Restriction)
- Orenicia Clickject 125mg/mL (Prior Authorization)
- Orenicia Syringe

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- Orenicia Syringe 50mg/0.4mL (Prior Authorization)
- Orenicia Syringe 87.5mg/0.7mL (Prior Authorization)
- Pancreaze DR Capsule 10500 Unit (Quantity Limit)
- Pancreaze DR Capsule 16800 Unit (Quantity Limit)
- Pancreaze DR Capsule 21000 Unit (Quantity Limit)
- Pancreaze DR Capsule 2600 Unit (Quantity

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- Pancreaze DR Capsule 37000 Unit (Quantity Limit)
- Pancreaze DR Capsule 4200 Unit (Quantity Limit)

Removals:

- Glyxambi Tablet 10-5mg
- Glyxambi Tablet 25-5mg
- Humulin N Vial 100 Unit/mL
- Humulin R Vial 100 Unit/mL

Other Updates

- None

Behavioral Health (Non-Title 19/21)

Additions:

- Invega Hafyera 1092mg/3.5mL (Quantity Limit, Age Restriction)
- Invega Hafyera 1560mg/3.5mL (Quantity Limit, Age Restriction)

Removals:

- None

Other Updates

- None

** Drugs that are not on the formulary may be available via PA (prior authorization) **

- For the complete preferred drug lists, please refer to the Mercy Care websites below
 - RBHA: <https://www.mercycareaz.org/providers/rbha-forproviders/pharmacy>
 - Mercy Care RBHA uses four preferred drug lists, depending on your member's eligibility.
 - **Behavioral Health Preferred Drug List** : For members who qualify under Title 19/21 Non-SMI or as Non-Title 19/21 determined to have a serious mental illness (SMI), or Non-Title 19/21 children with a serious emotional disturbance (SED), Mercy Care RBHA fills only behavioral health medications.
 - **Integrated Preferred Drug List** : For Title 19/21 SMI members, Mercy Care RBHA fills physical health and behavioral health medications.

- **Crisis Medication List** : For adults or children who are Non-Title 19/21 and Non-SMI who present in crisis at any of the facility-based psychiatric urgent care centers, detox facilities and/or access point in Maricopa, Gila or Pinal counties. The medications on this list will help stabilize an individual in crisis and bridge them to a follow-up outpatient appointment.
- **Substance Abuse Block Grant Medication List** : For Non-Title 19/21 members with SUDs and primary substance use and misuse.
 - ACC, DD, ALTCS and DCS CHP: <https://www.mercycareaz.org/providers/complecare-forproviders/pharmacy>

What is Rainbow Fentanyl?

Alert about a new alarming and emerging threat on the street, “rainbow fentanyl.” The Drug Enforcement Agency seized pills in 18 states in August 2022. This is a highly addictive and potentially deadly fentanyl made to look like candy to children and young people. These brightly colored fentanyl are available in multiple forms, including pills, powder, and blocks that resembles sidewalk chalk. All forms, color, shape, and sizes of fentanyl should be considered extremely dangerous.

Fentanyl is a synthetic opioid that is considered 50 times more potent than heroin and 100 times more potent than morphine. A very small amounts of fentanyl, two milligrams, is considered a lethal dose. Unless lab testing is performed, the concentration of fentanyl in these pills or powder, are unknown.

According to the CDC, 107,375 Americans died of drug overdoses by the end of January 2022, with 67 percent of those deaths related to synthetic opioids. Drug poisonings are the leading killer of Americans between the ages of 18 and 45. Fentanyl remains the deadliest drug threat this country faces. Some of the deaths were attributed to fentanyl mixed with other illicit drugs like cocaine, methamphetamine, and heroin, with many users unaware they were actually taking fentanyl.

Treatment resources are available

SAMHSA's National Helpline. This is a Treatment Referral Routing Service. The helpline provides 24-hour free and confidential treatment referral and information about mental health and substance use disorders, prevention, and recovery, in English and Spanish.

Drug-Free Workplace assists employers and union representatives with policy development, drug testing, employee assistance, employee education, supervisor training, and program implementation.

Naloxone can be used to rapidly reverse an opioid overdose. It is an opioid antagonist, which means that it attaches to opioid receptors and reverses and blocks the effects of other opioids.

References:

1. <https://www.dea.gov/fentanylawareness>
2. <https://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/prevention>
3. <https://www.findtreatment.gov>

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