

Formulary and Pharmaceutical Management

Formulary Information

A formulary is a list of covered medications. Specific plans have unique formularies, so make sure to find the formulary that applies to you.

Formularies are updated on the website every three months (except for Medicare Part D formularies, which are updated monthly). The Formulary Changes document is updated monthly. The Formulary Changes document notifies members of changes to the formularies that occur between formulary updates.

For the most current formulary information, including pharmaceutical management procedures, visit the following link http://fehb.swhp.org/pharmacy-information.

Pharmaceutical management procedures are processes that help manage the drug formulary. In order to provide the most cost-effective therapy options, restrictions may be applied to certain medications on the formulary. The SWHP formularies contain a description of pharmaceutical management procedures, including but not limited to:

- Prior authorization (PA)
- Quantity limits (QL)
- Step therapy (ST)
- Therapeutic interchange, and
- Generic substitution

If a medication has restrictions in place, those are listed on the formulary. The formularies also contain information regarding how to submit an exception request.

To view the most current SWHP prior authorization criteria, visit the following link: http://swhp.org/en-us/prov/auth-referral/medications

For detailed information about your prescription drug coverage, please review your EOC and other plan materials.