

BLUE SHIELD OF CALIFORNIA
FEBRUARY 2025 VALUE DRUG FORMULARY CHANGES

Blue Shield is committed to covering safe, effective and affordable medications, so we regularly review and update our drug formularies. Our Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Committee is made up of a group of practicing physicians and pharmacists who meet quarterly to recommend changes to our formulary based on the latest medical literature, new clinical guidelines, new information from key physician experts, and new information from the Food and Drug Administration.

Changes to the Value Drug Formulary from the February 2025 P&T Committee meeting are outlined below. To view a copy of the Value Drug Formulary, please [download a copy](#).

The drugs listed below are to be used for FDA-approved indications but may also be used for other conditions.

1. DRUGS ADDED TO FORMULARY

The following drugs were added to the formulary:

Drug	FDA Indication(s)	Coverage Restriction(s)	Tier Status
carbamazepine 200mg chewable tablet	Partial seizures, Tonic-clonic mixed seizures, Trigeminal neuralgia	Prior authorization	Tier 2
Dovato	HIV-1 infection	Quantity limit	Tier 2
Gallifrey	Secondary amenorrhea, Endometriosis, Uterine bleeding		Tier 1
Lagevrio	EUA for Covid-19	Age-limit, Quantity limit	Tier 2
mesna (Mesnex)	Hemorrhagic cystitis prophylaxis		Tier 2
methylphenidate hcl 72mg osmotic release tablet	ADHD	Prior authorization, Age-limit, Quantity limit	Tier 2

2. FORMULARY DRUGS WITH CHANGES TO TIER AND/OR COVERAGE RESTRICTION

The following drugs have coverage restriction(s) added or removed, and/or change of tier status as noted:

Drug	FDA Indication(s)	Coverage Restriction(s)	New Tier Status
Juluca	HIV-1 infection	Quantity limit	Tier 2
Triumeq, Triumeq PD			

3. DRUGS REMOVED FROM THE FORMULARY

The following brand-name drugs were removed from the formulary because generic is now available and was added to the formulary. Drug removal is effective May 1, 2025.

Drug	FDA Indication(s)	Alternative(s)
Mesnex 400mg tablet	Hemorrhagic cystitis prophylaxis	mesna tablet