

# Special Bulletin

For professional and facility providers

July 19, 2024

## Express Scripts Pharmacy to No Longer Stock a Limited Set of Medications

**Effective Aug. 19, 2024**, Express Scripts Pharmacy will no longer stock a limited set of medications for all lines of business. See list of medications below.

Members currently receiving impacted drugs will have the option to fill an alternative drug at Express Script home delivery, but those who want to or need to continue filling the impacted drugs will need to do so from ***an alternative, in-network retail pharmacy***.

If members have filled an impacted drug in 2024, they will receive a communication from Express Scripts (ES) notifying them 30 days in advance of the change. If a home delivery order is placed for an impacted drug after Aug. 19, Express Scripts will conduct outreach to the member and/or prescriber. The ES team will support finding a covered, clinically approved alternative or direct the member to utilize an in-network retail pharmacy of their choice.

Express Scripts Pharmacy values their retail pharmacy partners and believes these pharmacies are well-positioned to handle the anticipated and limited increase in volume based on this change. Several in-network retail pharmacy partners also offer home delivery options for patients who may be unable to pick up their prescriptions in person.

### Member and Prescriber Communications

- Impacted members will receive a letter or email from Express Scripts Pharmacy to inform them of the change about 30 days before the effective date.
- Express Scripts Patient Care Advocates will be prepared to take calls from our members should they have follow-up questions.
- Prescribers will be contacted by Express Scripts Pharmacy if the member attempts to fill an impacted drug once it is unavailable.

### Questions

- For questions related to **Commercial/ACA** lines of business, please contact Pharmacy Programs ([RxPrograms@highmark.com](mailto:RxPrograms@highmark.com)).
- For questions related to **Medicare** lines of business, please contact Pharmacy Government Operations ([RxGovtOperations@highmark.com](mailto:RxGovtOperations@highmark.com)).

Drug Name	NDC	Substitution Indicator	Common Indication for Use	Acute v Maintenance
Aciphex	69784024330	Multisource Brand	Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease (GERD)	Acute
Aciphex	80725024330	Multisource Brand	GERD	Acute
Ambien	24540131	Multisource Brand	Insomnia	Acute
Ambien	24542131	Multisource Brand	Insomnia	Acute
Auvelity	81968004530	Single Source Brand	Psych	Maintenance
Avar	178048008	Generic	Topical for acne/rosacea/dermatitis	Maintenance
Avar Ls	178047508	Single Source Brand	Topical for acne/rosacea/dermatitis	Maintenance
Celebrex	25152031	Multisource Brand	Pain	Acute
Celebrex	25152051	Multisource Brand	Pain	Acute
Celebrex	25152531	Multisource Brand	Pain	Acute
Celebrex	25152551	Multisource Brand	Pain	Acute
Celebrex	25153002	Multisource Brand	Pain	Acute
Celebrex	58151008591	Multisource Brand	Pain	Acute
Cialis	2446230	Multisource Brand	Erectile Dysfunction (ED)	Maintenance
Cialis	2446330	Multisource Brand	ED	Maintenance
Cialis	2446430	Multisource Brand	ED	Maintenance
Clindacin P	43538017069	Multisource Brand	Topical for acne	Maintenance
Effexor Xr	8083322	Multisource Brand	Psych	Maintenance
Effexor Xr	8083622	Multisource Brand	Psych	Maintenance
Effexor Xr	8083722	Multisource Brand	Psych	Maintenance
Endocet	60951070070	Generic	Pain	Acute
Endocet	60951070170	Generic	Pain	Acute
Endocet	60951071270	Generic	Pain	Acute
Fetzima	456221230	Single Source Brand	Psych	Maintenance

Fetzima	456222030	Single Source Brand	Psych	Maintenance
Fetzima	456224030	Single Source Brand	Psych	Maintenance
Fetzima	456228030	Single Source Brand	Psych	Maintenance
Ibsrela	73154005060	Single Source Brand	Irritable Bowel Syndrome Constipation	Maintenance
Isradipine	16252053901	Generic	Hypertension (HTN)	Maintenance
Isradipine	16252054001	Generic	HTN	Maintenance
Isradipine	64850091001	Generic	HTN	Maintenance
Jublia	187540004	Single Source Brand	Nail Fungus	Acute
Jublia	187540008	Single Source Brand	Nail Fungus	Acute
Kariva	555905058	Generic	Oral Birth Control	Maintenance
Lexapro	456200501	Multisource Brand	Psych	Maintenance
Lexapro	456201001	Multisource Brand	Psych	Maintenance
Lexapro	456202001	Multisource Brand	Psych	Maintenance
Lialda	54092047612	Multisource Brand	Ulcerative Colitis	Maintenance
Millipred	73534050501	Multisource Brand	Steroid for Inflammatory Condition	Acute
Motegrity	54092054601	Single Source Brand	Chronic Constipation	Maintenance
Motegrity	54092054701	Single Source Brand	Chronic Constipation	Maintenance
Norvasc	69152068	Multisource Brand	HTN	Maintenance
Norvasc	69153072	Multisource Brand	HTN	Maintenance
Norvasc	69154068	Multisource Brand	HTN	Maintenance
Ocella	555913167	Generic	Oral Birth Control	Maintenance
Prevacid	64764004613	Multisource Brand	GERD	Acute
Prevacid	64764054311	Multisource Brand	GERD	Acute
Prevacid	64764054411	Multisource Brand	GERD	Acute
Prevacid 24hr	113600203	Multisource Brand	GERD	Acute
Protonix	8084181	Multisource Brand	GERD	Acute
Protonix	8084381	Multisource Brand	GERD	Acute
Prozac	777310402	Multisource Brand	Psych	Maintenance
Prozac	777310502	Multisource Brand	Psych	Maintenance
Prozac	777310730	Multisource Brand	Psych	Maintenance

Qelbree	17772013130	Single Source Brand	Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)	Maintenance
Qelbree	17772013230	Single Source Brand	ADHD	Maintenance
Qelbree	17772013330	Single Source Brand	ADHD	Maintenance
Qnasl	59310041012	Single Source Brand	Seasonal Allergies	Maintenance
Qnasl Children	59310040606	Single Source Brand	Seasonal Allergies	Maintenance
Singulair	78206017202	Multisource Brand	Allergic Asthma	Maintenance
Singulair	78206017301	Multisource Brand	Allergic Asthma	Maintenance
Sunosi	81968035001	Single Source Brand	Narcolepsy/Cataplexy	Maintenance
Sunosi	81968035101	Single Source Brand	Narcolepsy/Cataplexy	Maintenance
Viagra	69420030	Multisource Brand	ED	Maintenance
Viagra	69421066	Multisource Brand	ED	Maintenance
Viagra	69422066	Multisource Brand	ED	Maintenance
Wellbutrin Sr	173013555	Multisource Brand	Psych	Maintenance
Wellbutrin Sr	173072200	Multisource Brand	Psych	Maintenance
Wellbutrin Sr	173094755	Multisource Brand	Psych	Maintenance
Wellbutrin XI	187073090	Multisource Brand	Psych	Maintenance
Wellbutrin XI	187073130	Multisource Brand	Psych	Maintenance
Xulane	378334053	Generic	Topical Birth Control	Maintenance
Yuvafem	65162022621	Generic	Menopause symptoms	Maintenance
Zoloft	49490030	Multisource Brand	Psych	Maintenance
Zoloft	49491030	Multisource Brand	Psych	Maintenance
Zoloft	49496030	Multisource Brand	Psych	Maintenance

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