Alternative medications coverage for all plans

To help address current medication drug shortages, we've updated our Prescription Drug Lists (PDLs) for all plans to temporarily cover some therapeutic equivalent and alternative medications.

Important points

- We won't require prior authorization or step therapy for these alternative medications
- We'll reevaluate our coverage when any of these drug shortages are no longer in effect and notify you of any changes
- These shortages are according to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration at fda.gov/drugshortages and the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists at ashp.org/drugshortages

Medications that have a shortage	Medication alternatives we're temporarily covering	Coverage effective date
Retacrit®*	Epogen® and Procrit®	April 15, 2022
lisdexamfetamine dimesylate	Vyvanse	January 1, 2024
amphetamine- dextroamphetamine ER*	Adderall XR®	September 1, 2024
methylphenidate ER (osmotic release)*	Concerta®	September 1, 2024
cromolyn sodium liquid	Gastrocrom®	April 3, 2024
imatinib	Gleevec®	May 7, 2025

^{*} Call customer service to request a drug shortage override.

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