

BILH Inhaler Coverage Charts

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Note: Insurance coverage information is subject to change and may vary based on the patient's individual plan.

Definitions

BCBS = Blue Cross Blue Shield
 HPHC = Harvard Pilgrim Healthcare
 NC = Not covered
 PA = Prior authorization required
 ST = Step therapy

MDI = Metered dose inhaler
 DPI = Dry powder inhaler
 Preferred = on MassHealth Unified Formulary
 = Best coverage across all Commercial or all MassHealth plans

To minimize coverage issues or calls back from pharmacies:

Write for the brand to allow for dispensing the one preferred by insurance unless indicated
 (do **NOT** indicate 'No Substitution')

Short-acting beta agonist (SABA) inhalers

Note: For MDIs, write for Albuterol HFA across the board to allow for correct insurance coverage

	Drug		Commercial			MassHealth
			BCBS	HPHC	Tufts	
DPI	ProAir Respiclick (<i>albuterol</i>)		NC	Tier 2	Tier 2	PA
MDI	ProAir HFA (<i>albuterol HFA</i>)	Generic	Tier 1	NC	NC	NC
	Proventil HFA (<i>albuterol HFA</i>)	Brand	NC	NC	NC	Preferred
		Generic	Tier 1	NC	Tier 1	NC
	Ventolin HFA (<i>albuterol HFA</i>)	Brand	NC	Tier 2	Tier 2	Preferred
		Generic	NC	Tier 1	NC	NC
	Xopenex HFA (<i>levalbuterol</i>)	Brand	NC	NC	NC	NC
		Generic	NC	Tier 1	Tier 1	Covered

Inhaled Corticosteroids (ICS)

	Drug		Commercial			MassHealth
			BCBS	HPHC	Tufts	
DPI	Armonair Respiclick (<i>fluticasone propionate</i>)		NC	NC	NC	PA
	Arnuity Ellipta (<i>fluticasone furoate</i>)		Tier 2	Tier 2	Tier 2	PA
	Asmanex Twisthaler (<i>mometasone</i>)		NC	NC	NC	PA ¹
	Flovent Diskus (<i>fluticasone propionate</i>)		Tier 2	Tier 2	Tier 2	Covered
	Pulmicort Flexhaler (<i>budesonide</i>)		Tier 2	Tier 2	Tier 2	Covered
MDI	Alvesco HFA (<i>ciclesonide</i>)		NC	NC	NC	PA
	Asmanex HFA (<i>mometasone</i>)		NC	NC	NC	Covered
	Flovent HFA (<i>fluticasone propionate</i>)	Brand	Tier 2	Tier 2	Tier 2	Preferred
		Generic	NC	Tier 2	Tier 2	NC
	QVAR Redihaler (<i>beclomethasone</i>)		Tier 2	Tier 2	Tier 2	PA

Long-Acting Beta-Agonists (LABA)

	Drug		Commercial			MassHealth ACO
			BCBS	HPHC	Tufts	
DPI	Serevent Diskus (<i>salmeterol</i>)		Tier 2	Tier 2, QL	Tier 2	NC
MDI	Striverdi Respimat (<i>olodaterol</i>)		Tier 2	NC	NC	Covered

¹ = PA for 100mcg & 200mcg for members <12 y/o

Inhaled corticosteroid/Long-acting beta agonist (ICS/LABA)						
	Drug		Commercial			MassHealth
			BCBS	HPHC	Tufts	
DPI	Advair Diskus** <i>(fluticasone propionate/salmeterol)</i>	Brand	3, PA	2, QL	2	Covered*
		Generic	2, PA	NC	NC	NC
	AirDuo Respiclick <i>(fluticasone propionate/salmeterol)</i>	Brand	NC	NC	NC	NC
		Generic	2	1, QL	1	PA, QL
	Breo Ellipta <i>(fluticasone furoate/vilanterol)</i>		NC	2, QL	2	PA, QL
	Wixela Inhub <i>(fluticasone propionate/salmeterol)</i>		2, PA	NC	NC	NC
MDI	Advair HFA <i>(fluticasone propionate/salmeterol)</i>		3, PA	2, QL	2	Covered
	Dulera HFA <i>(mometasone/formoterol)</i>		2, PA	NC	NC	Preferred
	Symbicort HFA* <i>(budesonide/formoterol)</i>	Brand	2, PA	2, QL	2	Covered*
		Generic	NC	NC	NC	NC
Long-Acting Muscarinic Antagonist (LAMA)						
	Drug		Commercial			MassHealth
			BCBS	HPHC	Tufts	
DPI	Incruse Ellipta <i>(umeclidinium bromide)</i>		3, PA	2, QL	2	Covered
	Spiriva Handihaler <i>(tiotropium bromide)</i>		2	2, QL	2	Preferred
	Tudorza Pressair <i>(aclidinium bromide)</i>		NC	NC	NC	Covered
MDI	Spiriva Respimat <i>(tiotropium bromide)</i>		2	2, QL	2	Covered
Long-acting muscarinic antagonist/beta agonist (LAMA/LABA)						
	Drug		Commercial			MassHealth
			BCBS	HPHC	Tufts	
DPI	Anoro Ellipta <i>(umeclidinium/vilanterol)</i>		2	2, QL	2	PA
	Duaklir Pressair <i>(aclidinium/formoterol)</i>		NC	NC	NC	NC
MDI	Bevespi Aerosphere <i>(glycopyrrolate/formoterol)</i>		NC	3	3	NC
	Stiolto Respimat <i>(tiotropium/olodaterol)</i>		2	2, QL	2	NC
Triple therapy (LAMA/LABA/ICS)						
	Drug		Commercial			MassHealth
			BCBS	HPHC	Tufts	
DPI	Trelegy Ellipta <i>(umeclidinium/vilanterol/fluticasone furoate)</i>		2, PA	2, QL	2	NC
MDI	Breztri Aerosphere <i>(glycopyrrolate/formoterol/budesonide)</i>		2, PA	2	2	NC

* = Brand ONLY covered

** = Either brand or generic covered by all plans