

# 1st Quarter 2023 preferred drug list update

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Arizona

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan's preferred drug list (PDL) is updated quarterly by our Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee. Please review the below changes which are effective as of **January 1, 2023**.

## Drugs added to the Preferred Drug List

Drug/ Product Name	Comments
DEKAS® Products (Caps, Liquid, Chew)	AquaDEKs has been discontinued and has been replaced with DEKAs products. <b>Move to preferred with Dx2Rx.</b>
Non-Insulin Syringes	Additional non-insulin syringes have been made preferred under the pharmacy benefit. <b>Moved to Preferred effective 10/1/2022.</b>
Telmisartan Tablets	Indicated for the treatment of hypertension and cardiovascular risk reduction. <b>Moved to preferred effective 7/15/2022.</b>

## Changes to coverage within Preferred Drug List

Drug/ Product Name	Comments
Omnipod® 5 (Kit and Pods)	Added to the pharmacy benefit as non-preferred effective 6/20/2022. <b>Prior authorization is required.</b>

## Drugs removed from the Preferred Drug List

Drug/ Product Name	Comments
Lansoprazole ODT	Indicated for multiple gastric-duodenal conditions including ulcers and Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease (GERD). Applies to RX Form only. The prescription formulation will be non-preferred. The over-the-counter Lansoprazole ODT will remain as the preferred alternative.

For medications which have been removed from the PDL, we have provided potential alternatives for UnitedHealthcare Community Plan members. If the drug alternative is medically appropriate, please provide members with a new prescription for a preferred alternative, via:

- Call or fax the pharmacy
- Use e-Script
- Write a new prescription and give it directly to the member (where permitted by state regulations)

If a preferred alternative is not medically appropriate, please call **800-310-6826** for prior authorization for the UnitedHealthcare Community Plan member to remain on their current medication.

You may also view the changes at [UHCprovider.com/plans](https://UHCprovider.com/plans) > Choose Your State > Medicaid (Community Plan) > Pharmacy Resources and Physician-Administered Drugs.

## Contact us

If you have any questions, call UnitedHealthcare Community Plan's Pharmacy department at **800-310-6826**.

Thank you.