

# New 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- We'll reevaluate our coverage when any of these drug shortages are no longer in effect and notify you of any changes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](https://www.fda.gov/drugshortages) and the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists at [ashp.org/drugshortages](https://www.ashp.org/drugshortages)

Medications that have a shortage	Medication alternatives we're temporarily covering	Coverage effective date
Retacrit®	Epogen® and Procrit®	April 15, 2022
oseltamivir phosphate	Tamiflu®	December 16, 2022
amphetamine mixed salts	Adderall® IR (immediate release)	February 20, 2023
capecitabine	Xeloda®	February 3, 2023
amoxicillin and clavulanate oral suspension	Augmentin® and Augmentin ES-600	February 20, 2023
glimepiride	Amaryl®	February 20, 2023
anastrozole	Arimidex®	February 20, 2023
hydroxychloroquine	Plaquenil®	February 20, 2023



## Questions

If you have questions, please contact [UHCpdrugshortages@uhc.com](mailto:UHCpdrugshortages@uhc.com).

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