

Hot Tip: Proton Pump Inhibitors (Pediatric)

Your Amerigroup District of Columbia, Inc. patients on nonpreferred products will experience a pharmacy claim rejection. To avoid additional steps or delays at the pharmacy, please consider prescribing preferred products whenever possible.

| Nonpreferred products | Preferred products ¹ |
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| Omeprazole/Sodium Bicarbonate <i>Brand name: OmePPI®/Zegerid®²</i> | OTC Zegerid® 20 mg capsule |
| Esomeprazole ² <i>Brand name: Nexium®</i> | OTC Nexium® 24hr 20 mg capsule ³ OTC Nexium® 24hr 20 mg tablet OTC Esomeprazole DR 20 mg capsule <i>Brand name: OTC Nexium®</i> |
| Omeprazole ² <i>Brand name: Prilosec®</i> | OTC Omeprazole Magnesium 20.6 mg capsule OTC Omeprazole 20 mg tablet <i>Brand name: OTC Prilosec®</i> Prescription Strength Omeprazole 20 mg capsule ⁴ OTC Prilosec® 20 mg tablet ³ OTC Prilosec® 20.6 mg tablet ³ |
| Lansoprazole ² <i>Brand name: Prevacid®</i> | OTC Lansoprazole 15 mg capsule <i>Brand name: OTC Prevacid®</i> |
| Rabeprazole ² <i>Brand name: Aciphex®</i> | OTC Prevacid® 24 hour 15 mg capsule |
| Dexilant® | |
| Pantoprazole <i>Brand name: Protonix®</i> | |
| <p>1 OTC products will still require a prescription for claim processing. 1 Quantity limit for Proton Pump Inhibitors = 2 doses/day for OTC Esomeprazole, OTC Omeprazole, OTC Lansoprazole, OTC Prevacid® 24 hours, OTC Nexium® 24 hours and 1 dose/day for all other PPIs. 1 Individuals less than one year of age are NOT subject to step therapy of two preferred products. 2 Prescription version and strength. 3 Effective October 1, 2018, brand OTC Prilosec® 20 mg tablet, brand OTC Prilosec® 20.6 mg tablet, and brand OTC Nexium® 24 hr 20 mg capsule are preferred products. 4 Prescription strength Omeprazole 20 mg capsule approved for children less than 6 years old only. This is the preferred product for compounding or difficulty swallowing.</p> | |

If you have questions regarding this *Hot Tip*, please call Provider Services at 1-800-454-3730.

Preferred Drug List: http://fm.formularynavigator.com/FBO/4/DC_PDL_English.pdf.