

Effective Oct. 1, 2013, Florida Blue will expand our Responsible Rx pharmacy program for BlueCare, BlueChoice and BlueOptions. Responsible Rx refers to an umbrella of programs including Prior Authorization, Responsible Step and Responsible Quantity programs. Members with endorsements that support these programs may be affected.

### Pharmacy coverage exclusions

Florida Blue commercial pharmacy plans will no longer cover the brand name drugs listed in the table below. However, Florida Blue will cover many of their generic alternatives. This exclusion only applies to members in plans that allow pharmacy coverage exclusions. Current users will not be affected.

Drugs Not Covered	Covered Alternatives
Aciphex® Sprinkle	omeprazole (Rx and OTC), lansoprazole, Nexium®, pantoprazole, Prilosec® OTC
Diclegis®	no covered alternatives*
Inova® ACT kits	benzoyl peroxide, salicylic acid
mesalamine kit	mesalamine enema
Sitavig®	acyclovir topical, systemic
Zecuity®	sumatriptan

\*alternatives are available without a prescription

### Prior Authorization

The medications below will have the updates as indicated below under the member's pharmacy benefit. Current users will not be affected by drugs added to the program.

Drugs added to the Prior Authorization Program	
Drug	Coverage Criteria*
Buphenyl®	Diagnosis of urea cycle disorder
Fulzyaq®	Diagnosis of HIV or AIDS with resistant diarrhea
Mekinist®	Diagnosis of melanoma with BRAF V600K or V600E mutation
Procysbi®	Diagnosis of nephropathic cystinosis
Ravicti®	Diagnosis of urea cycle disorder with failure of Buphenyl®
Tafinlar®	Diagnosis of melanoma with BRAF V600E mutation
Stelara®	Now covered under the pharmacy benefit with same criteria
Zenzedi®**	Diagnosis of ADHD with failure of generic stimulants
Drugs that no longer require Prior Authorization	
Zofran® (ondansetron) injection	
Kytril® (granisetron) injection	
Dexferrum®, Infed®, Venofer®, Feraheme®, injection	
Sandostatin® (octreotide) injection	
Velban® (vinorelbine) injection	

\*Summary of criteria, see [mcgs.bcbsfl.com](http://mcgs.bcbsfl.com) for complete criteria information.

\*\*This program only applies to members >18 years of age

† considered a specialty pharmacy medication

Prior Authorization Request Forms are available on the provider website at [www.floridablue.com](http://www.floridablue.com), under the Providers tab, Pharmacy Information and Resources, then, scroll down to [Prior Authorization Program Information and Authorization Forms](#).

### Responsible Quantity Expansion

This program ensures coverage of certain prescription drugs that reflect dosing guidelines of drug manufacturers and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). The table below lists all additional medications and limits added to the Responsible Quantity Program. It also includes updates to medications already included in the program. This only applies to members in plans that are part of the Responsible Quantity Program. You can find a complete list of prescription drugs modified in the program at [www.floridablue.com](http://www.floridablue.com); select Providers, Pharmacy Information and Resources and then click on the [Responsible Quantity Program Information link](#).

Brand/Generic Name	Strength	Dispensing Limit Per Month (unless otherwise noted)
Breo Elipta®		1 pack
Cystaran®		4 bottles
Fulzyaq®		60 tabs
Invokana®		30 tabs
Mekinist®	0.5mg	90 tabs
Mekinist®	2 mg	30 tabs
Tafinlar®	50 mg	120 tabs
Tafinlar®	75 mg	120 tabs
Zenzedi®	2.5 mg	90 tabs
Zenzedi®	7.5 mg	60 tabs
Zubsolv®		90 tabs
<b>Changes to drugs already in the program</b>		
Samsca®	15 mg	30 tabs/hospitalization
Samsca®	30 mg	60 tabs/hospitalization
Vytorin®	all strengths	30 tabs

For members requiring a larger monthly quantity than the coverage maximum based on medical necessity, providers may submit a prior authorization request by filling out the [Quantity Limit Prior Authorization form at www.floridablue.com](#); under the Providers tab, and then Pharmacy Information and Resources.

### Responsible Steps Expansion

Drugs in the following categories will be added to the Responsible Steps Program for members enrolled in our under 65 products. This only applies to members in plans that are part of the Responsible Steps Program. Current users will not be affected.

Program	Update
SGLT-2 Inhibitors	Invokana®

Authorization request forms are available on the provider website at [www.floridablue.com](http://www.floridablue.com) under the Providers tab, Pharmacy Information and Resources, and then the [Responsible Steps Program Information and Authorization Forms link](#).