

Healthy Blue hot tip: Proton pump inhibitors

Healthy Blue members on nonpreferred products may experience a pharmacy claim rejection. To avoid additional steps or delays at the pharmacy, consider prescribing preferred products whenever possible. Prior authorization and step therapy may apply to select preferred products. Coverage should be verified by reviewing the *Preferred Drug List (PDL)* at www.HealthyBlueSC.com and selecting **Providers**. The *PDL* is subject to change quarterly.

| Adult hot tip | | |
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| Therapeutic class | Nonpreferred products | Preferred products ² |
| Proton pump inhibitors | Zegerid ¹ | OTC Zegerid 20 mg capsule |
| Proton pump inhibitors | Aciphex | OTC Nexium 24hr 20 mg capsule OTC Nexium 24hr 20 mg tablet |
| | Dexilant | OTC Esomeprazole DR 20 mg capsule <i>Brand name: OTC Nexium</i> |
| | Pantoprazole <i>Brand name: Protonix</i> | OTC Omeprazole Magnesium 20.6 mg capsule OTC Omeprazole 20 mg tablet <i>Brand name: OTC Prilosec</i> |
| | Esomeprazole ¹ <i>Brand name: Nexium</i> | OTC Prilosec 20 mg tablet OTC Prilosec 20.6 mg tablet |
| | Omeprazole ¹ <i>Brand name: Prilosec</i> | OTC Lansoprazole 15 mg capsule <i>Brand name: OTC Prevacid</i> |
| | Omeprazole/Sodium Bicarbonate <i>Brand name: Omeppi</i> | OTC Prevacid 24-hour 15 mg capsule |
| | Lansoprazole ¹ <i>Brand name: Prevacid</i> | |
| | Rabeprazole | |

¹ Prescription strength.
² OTC products are available with a prescription. Quantity limit for proton pump inhibitors (PPI) is 2 doses/day for OTC Esomeprazole, OTC Omeprazole, OTC Lansoprazole, OTC Prevacid 24 hour, OTC Nexium 24 hour, and 1 dose/day for all other PPIs.

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| Pediatric hot tip | | |
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| Therapeutic class | Nonpreferred products | Preferred products ² |
| Proton pump inhibitors | Zegerid ¹ | OTC Zegerid 20 mg capsule |
| Proton pump inhibitors | Aciphex | OTC Nexium 24hr 20 mg capsule OTC Nexium 24hr 20 mg tablet |
| | Dexilant | OTC Esomeprazole DR 20 mg capsule <i>Brand name: OTC Nexium</i> |
| | Pantoprazole <i>Brand name: Protonix</i> | OTC Omeprazole Magnesium 20.6 mg capsule OTC Omeprazole 20 mg tablet <i>Brand name: OTC Prilosec</i> |
| | Esomeprazole ¹ <i>Brand name: Nexium</i> | OTC Omeprazole Magnesium 20.6 mg capsule OTC Omeprazole 20 mg tablet <i>Brand name: OTC Prilosec</i> |
| | Omeprazole ¹ <i>Brand name: Prilosec</i> | Prescription Strength Omeprazole 20 mg capsule ³ |
| | Omeprazole/Sodium Bicarbonate <i>Brand name: Omeppi</i> | OTC Prilosec 20 mg tablet OTC Prilosec 20.6 mg tablet |
| | Lansoprazole ¹ <i>Brand name: Prevacid</i> | OTC Lansoprazole 15 mg capsule <i>Brand name: OTC Prevacid</i> |
| | Rabeprazole | OTC Prevacid 24-hour 15 mg capsule |
| | First Omeprazole Compounding Kit ³ | |
| <p>¹ Prescription strength.</p> <p>² OTC products are available with a prescription. Quantity limit for proton pump inhibitors (PPI) is 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. Individuals less than one year of age are NOT subject to step therapy.</p> <p>³ Prescription strength Omeprazole 20 mg capsule approved for children less than six years old only. This is the preferred product for compounding or difficulty swallowing.</p> | | |

If you have questions regarding this communication, call the Customer Care Center at **866-757-8286**.

To view the *PDL*, visit www.HealthyBlueSC.com and select **Providers**.