

Wellmark’s ACA preventive drug list

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What are preventive drugs?

The Affordable Care Act (ACA) mandates that all non-grandfathered group and non-grandfathered individual health plans cover preventive drugs with no member cost share. This means that you pay nothing out-of-pocket, even if you haven’t met your deductible. Recommendations are outlined by the United States Preventative Services Task Force (USPSTF) evidence ratings “A” or “B”, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), and the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP, adopted by the Centers for Disease Control). The United States Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) determines which drugs qualify as preventive and gives them a rating of “A” or “B.”

Preventive drugs, even when they are listed as over-the-counter (OTC), must be prescribed by your doctor and obtained from an in-network pharmacy to be covered by your plan. Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield members can use the [Find a Pharmacy tool](#) to find an in-network pharmacy.

Preventive drugs covered under the ACA

This list is not all-inclusive, and benefits are not guaranteed. It outlines benefits with zero cost share. All information is dependent upon the terms of your coverage. Please refer to your coverage manual for information about your benefits. This document was last updated in April of 2025 and will be updated periodically. Information is subject to change.

Legend	
chew: chewable	NS: nasal spray
cap: capsule	oral: taken by mouth
FE: ferrous sulfate (iron)	OTC: over-the-counter
EE: ethinyl estradiol	Rx: prescription product
hr: hour	soln: solution
IM: intramuscular	SR: sustained release
IU: international unit	susp: suspension
mcg: microgram	tab: tablet
mg: milligram	TD: transdermal
mL: milliliter	

Preventive drugs covered under the ACA

Aspirin helps prevent illness and death from preeclampsia in persons who are at least 12 years old, after 12 weeks of pregnancy and are at high risk for the condition.

Generic dosage forms of 81 mg

Aspirin products (OTC):

- Aspirin chew tab 81 mg
- Aspirin enteric coated tab 81 mg

Fluoride supplements help prevent cavities in children ages five or younger whose water is low in fluoride.

All oral dosage forms up to 0.5 mg

Fluoride products (Rx):

- Sodium fluoride chew tab 0.25 mg to 0.5 mg
- Sodium fluoride soln 0.125 mg/drop
- Sodium fluoride soln 0.25 mg/0.6 mL
- Sodium fluoride soln 0.25 mg/drop
- Sodium fluoride soln 0.5 mg/mL
- Sodium fluoride tab 0.5 mg

Folic acid supplements help prevent birth defects in women ages 55 or younger who are planning to become pregnant or can become pregnant.

Generic dosage forms of folic acid products (OTC):

- Folic acid cap 0.8 mg (800 mcg)
- Folic acid tab 0.4 mg (400 mcg)
- Folic acid tab 0.8 mg (800 mcg)

Tobacco cessation products help adults who are not pregnant quit tobacco use to prevent health problems. Tobacco use includes smoking or chewing tobacco.

Generic nicotine replacement products — patch, gum and lozenges

Brand-name Nicotrol® (nicotine inhalation system)

Brand-name Nicotrol® NS (nicotine nasal spray)

Generic bupropion (generic of brand-name Zyban)

Generic varenicline

Tobacco cessation products (OTC and Rx):

- Bupropion HCl (smoking deterrent) tab SR 12 hr 150 mg
 - Nicotine polacrilex gum 2 mg and 4 mg
 - Nicotine polacrilex lozenge 2 mg and 4 mg
 - Nicotine TD patch 24 hr 21 mg, 14 mg, 7 mg, and 21-14-7 mg/24 hr kit
 - Nicotrol inhaler system 10 mg
 - Nicotrol NS 10 mg/mL
 - Varenicline tab 0.5 mg and 1 mg
 - Varenicline tab 0.5 mg x 11 tabs and 1 mg x 42 tabs starter kit
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Immunizations help prevent certain illnesses in people of all ages. Recommended doses, ages and populations may vary (Rx).

Children:

- COVID-19
- Dengue
- Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis
- Haemophilus influenzae type B
- Hepatitis A
- Hepatitis B
- Human papillomavirus
- Inactivated poliovirus
- Influenza
- Measles, mumps, rubella
- Meningococcal
- Pneumococcal
- Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV), monoclonal antibody
- Rotavirus
- Varicella

Adults:

- COVID-19
- Hepatitis A
- Hepatitis B
- Herpes zoster
- Human papillomavirus
- Influenza
- Measles, mumps, rubella
- Meningococcal
- Pneumococcal
- Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV), vaccine
- Tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis
- Varicella

Bowel preparation medicine helps clean out the bowel before colonoscopy procedures. Colonoscopies screen for colon and rectal cancers.

Generics are in *italics*. Brand names are CAPITALIZED.

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Bowel preparation products (Rx):

- CLENPIQ® (sodium picosulfate, magnesium oxide and anhydrous citric acid) oral solution
- MOVIPREP® (polyethylene glycol-3350, potassium chloride, sodium chloride, sodium sulfate, sodium ascorbate and ascorbic acid) for oral solution
- PEG-PREP KIT (bisacodyl, polyethylene glycol-3350, potassium chloride, sodium bicarbonate and sodium chloride) for oral solution
- PLENVU® (polyethylene glycol-3350, sodium sulfate, sodium chloride, potassium chloride, sodium ascorbate and ascorbic acid) for oral solution
- SUFLAVE™ (polyethylene glycol-3350, sodium sulfate, potassium chloride, magnesium sulfate and sodium chloride) for oral solution
- SUPREP® (sodium sulfate, potassium sulfate and magnesium sulfate) oral solution
- SUTAB® (sodium sulfate, magnesium sulfate and potassium chloride) oral tablet for oral solution

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Statins help prevent serious heart and blood vessel problems (cardiovascular disease) in adults ages 40 through 75 who are at risk.

Generic low to moderate intensity statins (Rx):

- Atorvastatin 10 mg, 20 mg
- Fluvastatin 20 mg, 40 mg
- Fluvastatin ER 80 mg
- Lovastatin 10 mg, 20 mg, 40 mg
- Pitavastatin 1 mg, 2 mg, 4 mg
- Pravastatin 10 mg, 20 mg, 40 mg, 80 mg
- Rosuvastatin 5 mg, 10 mg
- Simvastatin 5 mg, 10 mg, 20 mg, 40 mg

Antiretroviral therapy helps with preexposure prevention of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection in people who are at an increased risk.

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Antiretroviral therapy (Rx):

- APRETUDE® 600 mg
- DESCOVY® 200 mg – 25 mg
- *Emtricitabine/tenofovir disoproxil fumarate 200 mg-300 mg*

Diabetes prevention medicine helps prevent or delay diabetes for adults ages 35 through 70 who are overweight or obese.

Generic diabetes prevention product (Rx):

- Metformin 850 mg

Breast cancer medication helps prevent breast cancer in women ages 35 and older who are at an increased risk.

Breast cancer prevention products (Rx):

- Anastrozole tab 1 mg
- Exemestane tab 25 mg
- Raloxifene HCl tab 60 mg
- Tamoxifen citrate tab 10 mg and 20 mg
- Tamoxifen citrate oral solution

Women only: generic oral contraceptives

Brand-name products (for reference only)	Generic equivalent(s)
Alesse®	Afirmelle™, Aubra®, Aubra EQ®, Aviane®, Delyla, Falmina®, Lessina®, Lutera®, Sronyx®, Vienva®
Balcoltra®	Joyeaux®, Minzoya™, levonorgestrel/ethinyl estradiol/iron
Beyaz®	drospirenone/ethinyl estradiol/levomefolate calcium and levomefolate calcium

Brand-name products (for reference only)	Generic equivalent(s)
Demulen 1/35	ethinydiol diacetate/ethinyl estradiol 1/35, Kelnor® 1/34, Zovia® 1/35
Demulen 1/50	ethinydiol diacetate/ethinyl estradiol 1/50, Kelnor® 1/50, Valtia™ 1/50
Desogen	Apri®, Cyred®, Cyred EQ®, Enskyce®, Isibloom®, Juleber®, Kalliga™, Reclipsen®, desogestrel/ethinyl estradiol
Ethrostep® FE	Tilia® FE, Tri-Legest® FE, norethindrone acetate/ethinyl estradiol/iron, Xarah™ FE
Femcon® FE	Wymzya® FE, norethindrone acetate/ethinyl estradiol/iron
Generess® FE	Kaitlib® FE, Layolis® FE, norethindrone/ethinyl estradiol/iron
Loestrin®	Aurovela®, Blisovi®, Hailey®, Junel®, Larin®, Microgestin®, Tarina®, norethindrone acetate/ethinyl estradiol/iron
Lo/Ovral	Cryselle-28®, Elinest®, Low-Ogestrel®, Turqoz®
LoSeasonique®	Camrese Lo®, LoJaimiess®, levonorgestrel/ethinyl estradiol
Lybrel	Amethyst®, Dolishale®, levonorgestrel/ethinyl estradiol
Minastrin® 24 FE	Charlotte® 24 FE, Finzala™, Mibelas™ 24 FE, norethindrone acetate/ethinyl estradiol/iron
Mircette®	Azurette®, Kariva®, Pimtrea®, Simliya®, Viorele®, Volnea®, desogestrel/ethinyl estradiol
Modicon®	Necon® 0.5/35, Nortrel® 0.5/35, Wera®
Nordette™	Altavera®, Ayuna®, Chateal®, Chateal EQ®, Kurvelo®, Levora®, Marlissa®, Portia®-28, levonorgestrel/ethinyl estradiol
Ortho-Cyclen®	Estarlyla®, Mili®, Mono-linyah®, Nymyo®, Sprintec®, Vylibra®, norgestimate/ethinyl estradiol, norethindrone
Ortho Micronor®	Camila®, Deblitane®, Emzahn®, Errin®, Heather®, Incassia®, Jencycla®, Lyleq®, Lyza®, Nora-BE®, Norlyroc™, Sharobel®, norethindrone
Ortho-Novum 1/35	Alyacen® 1/35, Dasetta® 1/35, Nortrel® 1/35, norethindrone, Nylia® 1/35,
Ortho-Novum 7/7/7	Alyacen® 7/7/7, Dasetta® 7/7/7, Nortrel® 7/7/7, Nylia® 7/7/7
Ortho Tri-Cyclen	Tri-Estarlyla®, Tri-Linyah®, Tri-Mili®, Tri-Nymyo®, Tri-Sprintec®, Tri-Vylibra®, noregestimate/ethinyl estradiol
Ortho Tri-Cyclen Lo	Tri-Lo Estarlyla®, Tri-Lo Marzia®, Tri-Lo-Mili®, Tri-Lo-Sprintec®, Tri-Vylibra Lo®, noregestimate/ethinyl estradiol
Ovcon® -35	Balziva®, Briellyn®, Philith®, Vyfemla®
Quartette®	Fayosim, Rivelisa®, levonorgestrel/ethinyl estradiol

Brand-name products (for reference only)	Generic equivalent(s)
Safyral[®]	drospirenone/ethinyl estradiol/levomefolate calcium and levomefolate calcium
Seasonale	Iclevia [®] , Introvale [®] , Jolessa [®] , Setlakin [®] , levonorgestrel/ethinyl estradiol
Seasonique[®]	Amethia [®] , Ashlyna [®] , Camrese [®] , Daysee [®] , Jaimiess [®] , Simpesse [®] , levonorgestrel/ethinyl estradiol
Taytulla[®]	Gemmily [®] , Merzee [®] , Taysofy [®] , norethindrone acetate/ethinyl estradiol/iron
Tri-Norinyl[®]	Aranelle [®] , Leena [®]
Triphasil	Enpresse [®] , Levonest [®] , Trivora [®] , levonorgestrel/ethinyl estradiol
Yasmin[®]	Ocella [®] , Syeda [®] , Zumandimine [®]
Yaz[®]	Jasmie [®] , Lo-Zumandimine [®] , Loryna [®] , Nikki [®] , Vestura [®] , drospirenone/ethinyl estradiol

More contraceptives

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Brand-name oral contraceptives (Rx or OTC)	Barrier methods (Rx)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FEMLYV[™] LO LOESTRIN FE[®] NATAZIA[®] NEXTSTELLIS[®] OPILL[®] SLYND[®] TYBLUME[®] 	Cervical caps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FEMCAP
	Diaphragms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAYA[®] MILEX[®] WIDE-SEAL OMNIFLEX COIL SPRING SILICONE

Intrauterine devices, subdermal rods and vaginal rings (Rx)	Emergency contraception (Rx or OTC)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Ethinyl estradiol 15 mcg/Etonogestrel 120 mcg vaginal ring, EluRyng[®], Enilloring[®], Haloette[®]</i> [NUVARING[®]] ANNOVERA[®] KYLEENA[®] LILETTA[®] MIRENA[®] NEXPLANON[®] PARAGARD[®] SKYLA[®] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Levonorgestrel 1.5 mg tablet, AfterPill[®], Atera[®], Curae[®], Econtra OS[®], Her Style[®], My Choice[®], My Way[®], New Day[®], Opcicon[®], Option 2[®], Take Action[®], React[™]</i> [PLAN B[®]] ELLA[®]

Transdermal patches (Rx)	Condoms (OTC)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>norelgestromin-ethinyl estradiol</i> • TWIRLA® • <i>Xulane</i>® • <i>Zafemy</i>® 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FC-2® Female Condom • MALE CONDOMS
Injectables (Rx)	Vaginal sponge (OTC)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Medroxyprogesterone acetate 150 mg</i> [DEPO-PROVERA®] • DEPO-SUBQ-PROVERA 104® 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TODAY®
Vaginal pH modulators (Rx)	Spermicides (OTC)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PHEXXI® 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Nonoxynol-9 vaginal gel 4%, VCF Vaginal Contraceptive Gel</i> [CONCEPTROL GEL 4%] • ENCARE® VAGINAL SUPPOSITORIES • GYNOL II® GEL 3% • VCF® VAGINAL FILM 28%

