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## New CareAdvantage D-SNP Formulary Change Effective 1/1/2023

In 2023 the Health Plan of San Mateo (HPSM) will be making some changes to the drug formulary to provide more cost-effective alternatives for our members. Starting 1/1/2023, the Health Plan of San Mateo (HPSM) will be removing Lantus from its formulary for patients who are enrolled in the CareAdvantage Dual Special Needs Plan (D-SNP). This letter is to inform you of this change as it may affect a drug your patient is taking.

**What you need to know:** Patients who have previously received Lantus will be able to obtain a temporary 30-day supply. After this, HPSM will no longer cover Lantus without prior authorization. To avoid disruption, please consider switching patients to the formulary alternative outlined below.

### Impacted Drugs and Formulary Alternatives Available:

Drug	Change 1/1/23	Preferred Formulary Alternative
Lantus SoloStar, Vial	Remove from formulary.	<b>Insulin glargine-YFGN.</b> Note: Insulin glargine-YFGN is an interchangeable biosimilar version for Lantus, not to be confused with insulin glargine, which is a generic version, one that is not preferred on the D-SNP formulary.

*This list is not all-inclusive. Please visit our website for a complete list of changes and for information about our current formulary.*

If you believe that insulin glargine-YFGN is not appropriate for your patient, you may submit a prior authorization request with clinical justification provided as to why you believe your patient cannot utilize insulin glargine-YFGN. A decision is usually granted no later than 72 hours after the request has been sent or within 24 hours for expedited requests. Learn about authorizations here: <https://www.hpsm.org/provider/authorizations>

**What is a D-SNP?** Starting January 1, 2023, HPSM's CareAdvantage Cal MediConnect (CMC) plan will become a CareAdvantage Dual Eligible Special Needs Plan (D-SNP). Members staying with CareAdvantage keep all the benefits they currently enjoy and will get more starting in 2023. Learn more about the upcoming transition in our latest provider newsletter here: <https://www.hpsm.org/provider/resources/newsletters>

For further questions regarding the formulary changes outlined in this letter, you may call HPSM Pharmacy Services at **650-616-2088**. You can also direct questions to HPSM Provider Services at [PSInquiries@hpsm.org](mailto:PSInquiries@hpsm.org).

Thank you for your continued commitment to our community,  
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