

New HPSM Formulary Changes Effective 6/1/2019

To: Contracted Providers for HPSM Medi-Cal, CCS, HealthWorx, and Healthy Kids

Dear Provider,

This letter is to inform you of formulary changes that may affect a drug your patient(s) is taking. **Effective 6/1/2019, HPSM will be removing Lantus, Ventolin HFA, and ProAir HFA from the formulary.** Patients who have previously received these drugs can continue to fill them until 6/1/2019. After this date, the HPSM will no longer cover these drugs without a prior authorization.

The decision to remove these drugs from our formulary was based on the availability of more cost-effective formulary alternatives. **Please consider switching your patient(s) to the formulary alternatives outlined below before 6/1/2019** in order to avoid disruptions in care.

Impacted Drugs and Formulary Alternatives Available:

Drugs affected starting 6/1/2019	What is changing beginning 6/1/2019	Formulary alternative available
Lantus SoloStar, Vial	Removed from formulary	Basaglar KwikPen
Ventolin HFA	Removed from formulary	Albuterol HFA
ProAir HFA	Removed from formulary	Albuterol HFA

The list above is not all-inclusive. Please refer to the Health Plan of San Mateo website, accessible at www.hpsm.org, for a complete list of changes and for information about our current formulary. *Please note, these formulary changes do not apply to HPSM members with CareAdvantage.*

If You Have Questions or Concerns, We're Here to Help

If you believe that none of the formulary alternatives listed above are right for your patient(s), you may submit a prior authorization request with clinical justification provided as to why you believe your patient cannot utilize the formulary alternative available. A decision is usually granted no later than 24 hours after the request has been sent. **For more information about how to submit a prior authorization, please refer to the Health Plan of San Mateo website at www.hpsm.org.**

For further questions regarding the formulary changes outlined in this letter, you may call us at:
650-616-2088