



**Arkansas  
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**2011 Drug Transition Policy  
Medi-Pak Rx (PDP), Medi-Pak Advantage (PFFS), and  
Medi-Pak Advantage · St. Vincent (PPO)  
Contract Numbers: S5795, H4213, and H8091**

Members **new** to Medi-Pak Rx or Medi-Pak Advantage may currently be taking drugs that are not on our formulary, or are on the formulary and subject to prior authorization or step therapy requirements.

- For each of these drugs we will cover a temporary, cumulative 30-day supply (unless your prescription is written for less) within the first 90 days of enrollment in the plan. Unless you obtain an exception, or meet the prior authorization or step therapy requirements, the drug(s) will not be covered again.
- New members who are **residents of a long-term care facility** will receive a temporary 31-day transition supply with refills up to a cumulative 93-day supply (unless the prescription is written for less) within the first 90 days of enrollment in the plan. An additional 31-day transition supply is available past the first 90 days of enrollment on a case-by-case basis as needed in the event of an emergency.

Members **continuing** in Medi-Pak Rx or Medi-Pak Advantage receive an Annual Notice of Change (ANOC) each year. You may notice in the included copy of the upcoming year's formulary that a medication you are currently taking is either not on the formulary, or is on the formulary with new prior authorization or step therapy requirements.

- For renewing members who have utilized one of these drugs within the past 180 days, we will cover a temporary, cumulative 30-day supply (unless your prescription is written for less) within the first 90 days of the plan year. Unless you obtain an exception, or meet the prior authorization or step therapy requirements, the drug(s) will not be covered again.
- For renewing members who are **residents of a long-term care facility** who have utilized one of these drugs within the past 180 days, we will cover a temporary 31-day transition supply with refills up to a cumulative 93-day supply (unless the prescription is written for less) within the first 90 days of the plan year. An additional 31-day transition supply is available past the first 90 days of the plan year on a case-by-case basis as needed in the event of an emergency.

We encourage you to consult your doctor about appropriate therapy alternatives on the formulary. If the alternatives covered on the formulary would not be as effective in treating your condition and/or would cause you to have adverse medical effects, you and your doctor may request a formulary exception.



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If you have any questions about our transition policy, need information about appropriate formulary alternative drugs, or need help asking for a formulary exception, please call Pharmacy Customer Service at (866) 494-5829 for Medi-Pak Rx or (866) 494-6699 for Medi-Pak Advantage. TTY users should call (866) 236-1069. We are available 24 hours a day/7 days a week.

To request a copy of the formulary, please call Enrollment Customer Service at (866) 390-3369 for Medi-Pak Rx or (877) 233-7022 for Medi-Pak Advantage. TTY users should call (888) 844-5330. We are available from 8 a.m. – 8 p.m., 7 days a week.