

Formulary Notice of Changes – August 2026

Applicable Plans: Duals (One Care and SCO)

Mass General Brigham Medicare plans may immediately remove a brand name drug on our Drug List if we are replacing it with a new generic drug that will appear on the same or lower cost-sharing tier and with the same or fewer restrictions. Or, when adding the new generic drug, we may decide to keep the brand name drug on our Drug List, but immediately move it to a different cost-sharing tier or add new restrictions. We may not tell you in advance before we make that change, but we will later provide you with information about the specific change(s) we have made. Also, if the Food and Drug Administration deems a drug on our formulary to be unsafe or the drug's manufacturer removes the drug from the market, we may immediately remove the drug from our formulary and provide notice to members who take the drug.

Before we make other changes during the year to our Drug List that affect members currently taking a drug and that require us to provide advance notice, we will notify affected members of the change at least 30 days before the change becomes effective, or at the time the member requests a refill of the drug, at which time the member will receive a one-month supply of the drug.

If you are affected by a change in drug coverage or restriction, depending on the type of change, there may be different options to consider. For example:

You may be able to use another drug on our Drug List to treat your medical condition.

You, your prescriber, or your authorized representative may also ask for an exception. The notice we provide you will also include information on the steps to request an exception. To learn more about coverage decisions and how to ask for an exception, see your *Evidence of Coverage*, or call Customer Care at 1-888-816-6000 (TTY: 711). Customer Care hours: October 1 - March 31, 8:00 am - 8:00 pm, seven days a week. April 1- September 30, 8:00 am - 8:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

Name of Affected Drug	Description of Change	Effective Date
Astagraf XL capsule	Immediate Generic Substitution – Brand Removal Addition of generic <i>tacrolimus er capsule</i>	08/01/2026
Edurant tablet	Immediate Generic Substitution – Brand Removal Addition of generic <i>rilpivirine hydrochloride tablet</i>	08/01/2026
Idvynso tablet	Added to the Formulary with Quantity Limitations	08/01/2026
Jakafi XR tablet	Added to the Formulary with Prior Authorization and Quantity Limitations	08/01/2026
Mavenclad Therapy Pack	Immediate Generic Substitution – Brand Removal Addition of generic <i>cladribine therapy pack</i>	08/01/2026

Mass Health Updates:

Beginning July 3, 2026, MassHealth will no longer pay for medications used for weight loss only. This means you may not be able to fill weight-loss medications starting on July 3, 2026. **Please speak with your doctor to discuss your options.** If you need to stay on this medication for a specific medical reason other than weight loss, a new approval will be required. Your doctor is responsible for getting the approval from us. If you have diabetes or prediabetes, your doctor will need to write you a new prescription for a diabetes medication.

Impacted Anti-obesity Agents
benzphetamine
diethylpropion
Saxenda (liraglutide)
Xenical (orlistat)
phendimetrazine
Lomaira, Adipex-P (phentermine capsule, tablet)
Wegovy (semaglutide)
Zepbound (tirzepatide)