



Indiana Medicaid Pharmacy Benefit Coverage for Medicare Part D Excluded Products

In January 2006, the Medicare prescription drug plan (Medicare Part D) began covering most prescription drugs. This drug coverage benefit extended to those individuals also having Medicaid coverage (commonly referred to as “dual eligibles”). As a result, for those eligible for both benefit programs, the Indiana Medicaid pharmacy benefit does not cover drugs (or combination products containing at least one drug) covered by the Medicare Part D program. There are certain drugs and pharmacy products excluded from Medicare Part D coverage, which the Indiana Medicaid pharmacy benefit does cover. The table below lists these products and the conditions under which they can be covered by the Indiana Medicaid pharmacy benefit. You may also refer to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services website (<http://www.cms.gov/>) which has posted a document titled [Part D Drugs/Part D Excluded Drugs](#)

Product Class/Categorization for Indiana Medicaid Coverage	Coverage Status
Over the Counter Drugs and Vitamins on the <i>Indiana Medicaid OTC Drug and Supplements Formularies</i>	Refer to OTC Drug and Supplements Formularies in the Preferred Products drop down window on the Indiana Health Coverage Program Pharmacy Services website
Barbiturates not used for the medical indications of epilepsy, cancer, or a chronic mental health disorder*	An example of a barbiturate covered by Indiana Medicaid is butalbital/aspirin/caffeine (Fiorinal) which is medically indicated for treatment of headaches
Cough and Cold Preparations (Rx)	Guaifenesin (Rx), as a single drug component or in a combination product, is considered a Medicare Part D drug and not covered by Indiana Medicaid.
Injectable Solutions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ bacteriostatic sodium chloride injection 0.9% vial ▪ normal saline injection 0.9% vial ▪ heparin lock flush 10u/ml vial ▪ heparin lock flush 100u/ml vial 	Covered only for maintaining the patency of indwelling catheters and IV lines Refer to: 405 IAC 5-24-13 for policy regarding nursing facility residents
Vitamins and Minerals (Rx)	The following are considered Medicare Part D drugs and not covered by Indiana Medicaid: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • fluoride (Rx) preparations • prenatal vitamins • vitamin D analogues • lipotropic niacin (Rx) agents
Hormones (Rx), all formulations of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ megestrol acetate ▪ oxandrolone 	Covered only when used to promote weight gain in the absence of cachexia
Arginine products	Covered only when used to treat urea cycle disorders
Note: All existing Indiana Medicaid pharmacy benefit program rules and restrictions apply to Medicare Part D excluded, Medicaid covered drugs.	

*Note: Effective January 1, 2013, barbiturates used for the medical indications of epilepsy, cancer, or a chronic mental health disorder and benzodiazepines are considered Medicare Part D drugs and are no longer covered by Indiana Medicaid for individuals with dual eligibility