# IHCP bulletin

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## Pharmacy update approved by Drug Utilization Review Board March 2016

The Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) announces changes to the Preferred Drug List (PDL) as approved by the Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Board at its March 18, 2016, meeting. These changes apply to the fee-for-service (FFS) pharmacy benefit.

#### Changes to the PDL

Changes to the PDL were made at the March 18, 2016, DUR Board meeting. With respect to the PDL in general, the DUR Board established the following policy effective May 1, 2016:

When new generic products of nonpreferred brand agents are released and the nonpreferred brand is financially advantageous, step therapy will be added to the new generic requiring a trial and failure of, or contraindication to, the brand product prior to use.

See Table 1 for a summary of PDL changes. Changes are effective for dates of service (DOS) on or after May 1, 2016, unless otherwise noted.

Table 1 – Approved changes to the PDL effective for DOS on or after May 1, 2016

Drug Class	Drug	PDL Status
Antidiabetic Agents (oral)	Glumetza	Preferred (previously nonpreferred)

The PDL can be accessed under the <a href="Pharmacy Services">Pharmacy Services</a> link at indianamedicaid.com. Notices of the DUR Board meetings and agendas are posted on the <a href="Family and Social Services Administration">Family and Social Services Administration</a> (FSSA) website at in.gov/fssa. Click "FSSA Calendar" on the left side of the page to access the events calendar.

Please direct FFS prior authorization (PA) requests and questions about the FFS PDL, the FFS OTC Drug Formulary, or this bulletin to the OptumRx Clinical and Technical Help Desk by calling toll-free 1-855-577-6317. Questions regarding pharmacy benefits for members in the Healthy Indiana Plan (HIP) and Hoosier Care Connect should be referred to the managed care entity with which the member is enrolled.

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