

# Alternative medications coverage for all plans

To help address current medication drug shortages, we've updated our Prescription Drug Lists (PDLs) for all plans to temporarily cover some therapeutic equivalent and alternative medications.

## Important points

- We won't require prior authorization or step therapy for these alternative medications
- We'll reevaluate our coverage when any of these drug shortages are no longer in effect and notify you of any changes
- These shortages are according to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration at [fda.gov/drugshortages](https://www.fda.gov/drugshortages) and the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists at [ashp.org/drugshortages](https://www.ashp.org/drugshortages)

Medications that have a shortage	Medication alternatives we're temporarily covering	Coverage effective date
Retacrit®	Epogen® and Procrit®	April 15, 2022
amphetamine mixed salts	Adderall® IR (immediate release)	February 20, 2023
Norditropin	Omnitrope	August 18, 2023
Nutropin	Omnitrope	August 18, 2023
Endometrin	progesterone alternatives like Crinone*	September 1, 2023
amphetamine / dextroamphetamine extended-release	Adderall XR	January 1, 2024
methylphenidate hydrochloride extended-release	Concerta	January 1, 2024
lisdexamfetamine dimesylate	Vyvanse	January 1, 2024

\* Step Therapy on Crinone temporarily removed during Endometrin shortage

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