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Pharmacy Benefit Exclusion for Dymista® (azelastine hydrochloride and fluticasone propionate), Duexis® (ibuprofen and famotidine), Qbrexza™ (glycopyrronium), Vimovo® (naproxen and esomeprazole magnesium), and Yosprala™ (aspirin and omeprazole)

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and Blue Plus (Blue Cross) is committed to providing subscribers with safe, quality, pharmacy care.

Effective April 1, 2019, Blue Cross will no longer cover Dymista® (azelastine hydrochloride and fluticasone propionate), Duexis® (ibuprofen and famotidine), Qbrexza™ (glycopyrronium), Vimovo® (naproxen and esomeprazole magnesium), and Yosprala™ (aspirin and omeprazole) under the pharmacy benefit plan. Subscribers must use a medication alternative that is covered under the pharmacy benefit plan or pay full price for continued use of their current medication.

A summary of the excluded medications and the preferred formulary alternatives can be found below:

Excluded Medication	Preferred Alternative Medication
Dymista® (azelastine hydrochloride and fluticasone propionate) 137mcg/50mcg	azelastine nasal spray and fluticasone nasal spray
Duexis® (ibuprofen and famotidine) 800mg/26.6mg	ibuprofen and famotidine
Qbrexza™ (glycopyrronium)	Prescription antiperspirants*, glycopyrrolate
Vimovo® (naproxen and esomeprazole magnesium) 375mg/20mg, Vimovo 500mg/20mg	naproxen and esomeprazole
Yosprala™ (aspirin and omeprazole) 81mg/40mg	aspirin and omeprazole

*over the counter antiperspirant options are available but are not covered under the pharmacy benefit

Products Impacted

This notice applies to commercial lines of business.

Additional Information:

- Subscribers may contact their prescribing provider regarding this benefit change. Please submit a new prescription for those subscribers who are impacted by this change.
- Pharmacies will be notified of these benefit changes. Blue Cross has asked them to facilitate this benefit change by helping to obtain new prescriptions.

Questions?

If you have questions, please contact provider services at **(651) 662-5200** or **1-800-262-0820**.

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