# PROVIDER QUICK POINTS PROVIDER INFORMATION



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# Pharmacy Benefit Update - Helixate FS Will No Longer Be Covered

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

**Effective February 1, 2018**, Helixate FS will no longer be covered. Beginning January 1, 2018, Helixate FS will no longer be manufactured. Kogenate FS will continue to be on our formulary and is the therapeutics equivalent to Helixate FS. Please note that both Helixate FS and Kogenate FS are manufacturered by Bayer Healthcare LLC.

Helixate FS will be available until supplies run out. Subscribers that choose to continue taking Helixate FS after February 1, 2018 will pay the full cost of the prescription.

Affected subscribers who recently received Helixate FS will be notified of the change and directed to contact their providers to discuss covered alternative medication choices.

Excluded Medication	Covered Alternative Medication
Helixate FS (antihemophilic factor [recombinant])	Kogenate FS (antihemophilic factor [recombinant])

### **Products impacted**

This notice applies to the commercial lines of business **and** the following Minnesota Health Care Programs:

- Blue Advantage Prepaid Medical Assistance Program (PMAP)
- MinnesotaCare (MNCare)
- Minnesota Senior Care Plus (MSC+)
- SecureBlue (MSHO)

### **Additional Information:**

- Subscribers may contact you regarding this benefit change. Please submit a new prescription for those subscribers who are impacted by this change.
- Pharmacies will be notified of this benefit change. We have 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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