

## *Hot Tip: ADHD Update*

Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield (Highmark BCBS) partners with Wellpoint companies to administer certain services to Medicaid Managed Care (MMC), Health and Recovery Plan (HARP), and Child Health Plus (CHPlus) members. Please note, this information is specific to the CHPlus program only.

Your patients may experience a pharmacy claim rejection when prescribed nonpreferred products. To avoid additional steps or delays at the pharmacy, consider prescribing preferred products whenever possible. Utilization management edits may apply to select preferred products. Coverage should be verified by reviewing the *Preferred Drug List (PDL)* on the Highmark BCBS provider website. The *PDL* is subject to change quarterly.

| <b>Therapeutic class</b> | <b>Nonpreferred products</b>   | <b>Preferred products</b>  |
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| ADHD                     |  | Clonidine 12-hour and immediate release<br><i>Brand name: Kapvay/Catapres</i><br><br>Guanfacine ER <sup>2</sup><br><i>Brand name: Intuniv</i>  |
| ADHD                     | Evekeo   | Amphetamine mixed salts OPT (tabs/caps)<br><i>Brand name: Adderall</i>   |
| ADHD                     | Adzenys XR<br>Dyanavel XR<br>Mydayis ER  | Dextroamphetamine/Amphetamine ER OPT (caps)<br><i>Brand name: Adderall XR</i>  |
| ADHD                     | Vyvanse <sup>1</sup><br>Zenzedi  | Dextroamphetamine IR/ER (tabs/caps and solution)<br><i>Brand name: Dexedrine and Procentra</i>   |
| ADHD                     | Adhansia XR<br>Aptensio XR<br>Cotempla XR<br>Daytrana<br>Jornay PM<br>Relexxii<br>Desoxyn <sup>1</sup> | Methylphenidate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CD cap: 10 mg, 20 mg, 30 mg, 40 mg, 50 mg, and 60 mg</li> <li>• ER tab: 18 mg, 27 mg, 36 mg, and 54 mg</li> <li>• IR tab: 5 mg, 10 mg, and 20 mg</li> <li>• LA cap: 10 mg, 20 mg, 30 mg, 40 mg, 60 mg</li> </ul> <i>Brand name: Metadate CD, Concerta, and Ritalin/Ritalin LA</i><br><br>Dexmethylphenidate, Dexmethylphenidate ER<br><i>Brand name: Focalin/Focalin XR</i> |

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| ADHD  | QuilliChew Quillivant XR suspension | Methylphenidate solution (5 mg/5 ml and 10 mg/5 ml)<br><i>Brand name: Ritalin</i> |
| <sup>1</sup> Chemical, preferred drug equivalents are not available for Lisdexamfetamine Dimesylate (Vyvanse) or Methamphetamine (Desoxyn).<br><sup>2</sup> As of November 1, 2022, Guanfacine ER is a preferred product. |                                     |   |

If you have questions regarding this *Hot Tip*, call Provider Services at **866-231-0847**.

The PDL is available at [mybcbswny.com/stateplans](https://mybcbswny.com/stateplans) > Provider > Eligibility & Pharmacy > Pharmacy Information.