

## **Upcoming Formulary Change Notice**

CareFirst Community Health Plan Maryland may add or remove drugs from its formulary at any time as part of its Drug Use Management Program. We will immediately remove any drug from our formulary that is deemed by the Food and Drug Administration to be unsafe or the drug's manufacturer removes the drug from the market.

The following formulary changes were reviewed and approved by the CareFirst Community Health Plan Maryland Pharmacy & Therapeutic Committee or added/removed from the formulary based on pharmacy policy. Changes will take effect on **May 1**, **2023**.

Drug Name	Therapeutic Class	Add/Remove	Edit Descript ion	Formulary Status
EMBRACE PEN NEEDLES/31G X 5MM	DIABETIC SUPPLIES	ADD	OTC, QL	F
NEPHRO VITAMINS	MULTIVITAMIN	ADD	ОТС	F
omega 3-dha-epa-fish oil	MULTIVITAMIN	ADD	ОТС	F
PreserVision AREDS 2 Plus MV	MULTIVITAMIN	ADD	ОТС	F
Smart Heart Omega-3	MULTIVITAMIN	ADD	ОТС	F

NOTE: This table outlines upcoming changes to our formulary that may impact your patients.

Legend: PA = Prior Authorization, SP = Specialty, QL = Quantity limit, OTC = Over-the-Counter, F = Formulary, AL = Age Limit

<u>What if my patient will be adversely affected by the formulary change?</u> We recognize the unique aspects of patients' cases. If for medical reasons your CareFirst Community Health Plan Maryland patient cannot be converted to a formulary alternative, you can download a **Non-Formulary/Brand Medically Necessary Drug Exception Form** from our website at <a href="https://www.Carefirstchpmd.com">www.Carefirstchpmd.com</a> and fax the completed form to our Pharmacy Department for review.

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