

"Specialty Drugs" Excluded

Effective January 1, 2014, the Fund's plan of prescription drug benefits does not cover "specialty drugs" (defined by the New York State Department of Health) which are high cost drugs, used to treat acute and chronic conditions (including, but not limited to, Rheumatoid Arthritis, Multiple Sclerosis, Cancer, Growth Deficiency, Respirator Conditions and Hepatitis C). These drugs often require special handling, can be self-administered or administered by a health care provider in the home when or appropriate, or can be administered in the practitioner's office. Specialty drugs are often associated with complex medical regimes and require patient education, monitoring and clinical support. Generic substitutes or brand name therapeutic equivalents for specialty drugs are generally unavailable. The Federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services ("CMS") define specialty drugs as those that cost more than \$600 per month.

Many specialty drugs are covered by the City's basic health plans or the PICA drug program, which covers Injectable and Chemotherapy drugs."

"Preventive Services" Covered

Effective January 1, 2014, the Fund's plan of prescription drug benefits will cover the following "preventive services" without a member co-payment, provided you have a prescription from your physician:

- Aspirin for to reduce risk of myocardial infarction for men and ischemic strokes for women;
- Folic acid supplements for pregnant women;
- Iron supplements for children ages 6 to 12 who at risk for anemia; and
- FDA approved contraceptives (oral only).

HEALTH CENTER INFORMATION

To purchase your prescription drugs through a Health Center, you must receive a physical examination from one of their attending physicians who will then prescribe your medication. You may be responsible for a small co-payment to the Health Center for the physical examination. Be sure to tell the physician to send your prescription(s) to OLSHIN'S Pharmacy.

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