

Dear Ontario Members,

**RE: OHIP+ Children and Youth Pharmacare**

Starting January 1, 2018, the youth of Ontario will have 100% coverage for over 4,400 drugs under the government funded OHIP+: Children and Youth Pharmacare program (OHIP+). There is no registration required. Ontario residents under the age of 25 simply need to present their OHIP card or OHIP number at the pharmacy along with their prescription. To ensure that there are no delays in receiving covered prescriptions, please ensure that your Ontario MediTrust pharmacy is in receipt of the OHIP number for all eligible members by calling 1-888-RX-2-DOOR (1-888-792-3667) or faxing 1-800-563-8934.

**What drug products will be covered by the OHIP+ program?**

1. Generic Drugs (brand name drugs without a generic equivalent will be eligible).
2. All drug products listed in the Ontario Drug Benefit Formulary (ODBF).

Some examples would be:

- Antibiotics
  - Inhalers
  - Epinephrine auto-injectors
3. As well as medications funded through the Exceptional Access Program (EAP) will be covered for individuals who meet the medical eligibility criteria.

Examples of EAP drugs:

- Remicade
- Humira
- Enbrel

**What happens when the plan member is prescribed an Exceptional Access Program drug?**

If a drug is available through EAP, the prescriber (physician or nurse practitioner) must submit a request to EAP on the plan member's behalf by completing the EAP form. Many commonly prescribed high cost specialty drugs for the treatment of severe asthma, juvenile arthritis, psoriasis, Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis are covered under the EAP program.

Members should be advised to speak to their physician and apply to EAP for approval prior to submitting a request to your insurance provider for access to a Special Authorization drug to ensure there are no delays in the approval process.

To answer some of the most commonly asked questions the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care has launched a user-friendly website aimed at providing key information <https://www.ontario.ca/page/learn-about-ohip-plus> to the general public.

Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact your Ontario MediTrust Pharmacy at 1-888-RX-2-DOOR (1-888-792-3667).

Sincerely,



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