



CENTRAL SUSQUEHANNA
REGION SCHOOL EMPLOYEES'
HEALTH & WELFARE TRUST

CS Trust Bulletin

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Capital Blue Cross (CBC) Live Healthy School Grants Program

Capital Blue Cross has awarded the following five CS Trust employers a grant for their submission to the annual CBC Live Healthy School Grants Program:

- Bloomsburg Area School District
- Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit
- Mifflinburg Area School District
- Shikellamy School District
- Warrior Run School District

These grants will be awarded to employers in September 2023.



Express Scripts National Preferred Formulary - DAW9 Program

The DAW9 program is a cost-savings strategy that targets high-cost generics and instructs the pharmacist at the point of sale to dispense the lower net-cost brand alternative.

Also, as part of the program, Express Scripts is constantly monitoring the drug pipeline to identify opportunities for lower net drug costs to provide plans and members savings.

Effective July 1, 2023, the DAW9 program will be enhanced to include a member communication that is triggered when a patient tries to fill a generic medication in the program and does not receive the lower-cost brand medication within seven days. Members will receive either a letter or an email depending on their communication preference.

Express Scripts National Preferred Formulary Changes effective July 1, 2023

Express Scripts will add nine drug exclusions to the National Preferred Formulary effective July 1, 2023.

MercerRx pharmacists have reviewed the exclusions, and believe that the changes are clinically defensible cost-management strategies. The majority of these changes are for single-source brands with alternatives available in the same therapeutic categories.

Impacted members will receive personalized communications that include preferred options.

Both pharmacies and prescribers will be notified prior to the 7/1 changes which will also help transition members.



SaveOnSP Update

Trust staff recently received the following update from SaveOnSp regarding the court-ordered HIPAA disclosure notice that was reviewed at the April 26, 2023 CS Trust board meeting:

*On June 6, 2023, the Court **denied** Johnson & Johnson Health Care Systems Inc.'s ("JHCS") motion to remove the Attorneys Eyes' Only protection from information produced in the matter of Johnson & Johnson Health Care Systems Inc. v. Save On SP, LLC, Civ. No. 2:22-cv-02632-JMV-CLW (D.N.J.), and use that information to disenroll members of plans advised by SaveOnSP from CarePath. The protections under the protective order remain in place for the protected health information. If JHCS appeals or further pursues this relief, we will let you know.*