



Baylor Scott & White Health Plan

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2026 Medicare Part B Drugs Requiring Step Therapy

Medicare Part B Step Therapy

- Some medically administered Part B medications, like injectable drugs or biologics, may have special requirements or coverage limits, such as step therapy.
- Step therapy requires a trial of a preferred drug to treat a medical condition before covering a non-preferred drug.
- The step therapy requirement does not apply to members who have already received treatment with a non-preferred drug within the past 365 days.
- Both preferred and non-preferred drugs may still be subject to prior authorization.
- This list will be updated as additional drugs are added to the Part B drug Step Therapy program.

Drug or Drug Class	Preferred Part B Drug(s) - No Step Therapy Required	NON-Preferred Part B Drug(s) -Step Therapy Required	Effective Date
Trastuzumab	Trazimera Kanjinti Ogivri Ontruzant Herzuma	Herceptin Herceptin Hylecta	1/1/2026
Bevacizumab (oncology use)	Mvasi Zirabev	Avastin Alymsys Avzivi Vegzelma	1/1/2026
Colony Stimulating Agents (long acting)	Neulasta Udenyca	Fulphilia Fynetra Nyvepria Stimufend Ziextenzo	1/1/2026
Rituximab	Ruxience Truxima	Rituxan Rituxan Hycela Riabni	1/1/2026
Colony Stimulating Agents (short acting)	Zarxio	Neupogen Nivestym Releuko Granix	1/1/2026
Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor (VEGF) Inhibitors – For ophthalmic indications only	Cimerli Compounded Avastin	Beovu Byooviz Eylea Eylea HD Lucentis Susvimo Vabysmo	1/1/2026