

Health Plus

PROVIDER NOTICE

Formulary Change:

Non-Sedating Antihistamines and Proton Pump Inhibitors

Effective immediately, Health Plus will cover the medications listed below for Child Health Plus and Family Health Plus members in need of non-sedating antihistamines or proton pump inhibitors (PPI). The use of other agents will be permitted **only** after documented failure of these first-line drugs:

1) Non-Sedating Antihistamines

- Health Plus will allow **OTC formulations of Loratadine (i.e. OTC Claritin or Alavert)** to be used as first-line therapy.

2) Proton Pump Inhibitors (PPI)

- Health Plus will allow **generic omeprazole 10 or 20 mg**, or
- **Prilosec OTC™ 20 mg**, as first-line therapy choices.

Members currently being treated with a different PPI can receive a final one-month supply of that medication before switching to generic omeprazole or Prilosec OTC™.

Specific questions regarding one or more of these approved agents should be directed to the Health Plus Pharmacy Benefit Manager, Eckerd (EHS), at **1-800-785-5301**.