



Changes to the Medicaid Pharmacy Program Hybrid Unified Preferred Drug List (PDL)

frequently asked questions for members

What is the Hybrid Unified PDL?

In 2025, Utah lawmakers passed a budget-related law ([SB 2](#)) that provides funding and direction to the Utah Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). SB 2 asks DHHS to create a shared preferred drug list (PDL) for some medication classes that will be used by both Utah Medicaid Fee for Service (FFS) and managed care organizations (MCOs/plans). This list is called Unified Hybrid Preferred Drug List.

Currently, FFS and MCOs each manage their own lists of the preferred drug list. But starting January 1, 2026, they'll begin using the same list for certain types of medications.

Who are the Utah Medicaid Managed Care Plans?

Utah Medicaid's managed care plans are Health Choice Utah, Healthy U, Molina, and Select Health. If you are enrolled in one of these plans for your health care, this change applies to you.

How will this change impact me if I am NOT enrolled in a Medicaid managed care plan?

The Hybrid List won't change anything for you if you are not enrolled in a managed care plan.

How does this change impact me if I am enrolled in a Medicaid managed care plan?

This change may impact you in a couple of ways. If you are currently on a medication that is not preferred on the Hybrid Unified PDL, your plan may contact you and your provider and recommend changing your medications. The plan will work closely with you and your doctor to make sure you get the medication you need.



Can I stay on my current medication if it is not a preferred medication on the Hybrid Unified PDL?

In some cases, you may be able to stay on your current medication. This is called “grandfathering”. Your doctor will need to contact your plan and give them reasons as to why you need to stay on your current medication.

What can I do if I disagree with the plan’s decision?

If you or your doctor disagree with the plan’s decision, follow your plan’s grievance and appeal process.

If the appeal was not successful, you can request a State Fair Hearing at:

<https://medicaid.utah.gov/hearings/>

What kind of medications will be included on the Hybrid Unified PDL?

Several medications that are used for diabetes, asthma, HIV, and other conditions are affected. Contact your providers and your plan to learn more.