

Medical Benefit Updates for Members

Health care items or services available to you that are covered by your plan.

Starting **December 15, 2025**, the changes listed in the table below will go into effect. Please see the list below for the updated drug(s).

Drug Name (Brand Name)	CPT code¹	Used in	Drug Limits²	Prior Authorization (PA) Criteria³	Specialist Needed⁴
Ensifentrine (Ohtuvayre)	J7601	Asthma/COPD	None	PA is needed. Must be for a use that is approved by the FDA (Food and Drug Administration). You must have tried and failed or had side effects to meds including [1] meds like Formoterol, [2] meds like Spiriva, [3] steroid inhalers, and [4] Roflumilast.	No
Mepolizumab (Nucala)	J2182	Asthma/COPD	None	PA is needed. For asthma: This can be used if you are aged 6 years and older with asthma that is hard to control. To qualify, you need to [A] have high levels of eosinophils in blood AND [B] have 2 or more asthma attacks in the past year while you are taking your meds regularly AND [C] already be using [1] a high dose steroid inhaler and + [2] at least one other controller medicine. Nucala must be prescribed by an allergist. It cannot be used by itself. For COPD: This can be used if you are aged 18 years and older with COPD that is hard to control. To qualify, you need to	Yes

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				[A] have high levels of eosinophils in blood AND [B] have 2 or more COPD attacks in the past year while you are taking your meds regularly AND [C] already be using [1] a high dose steroid inhaler and + [2] at least one other controller med. Nucala must be prescribed by an allergist. It cannot be used by itself.	

¹Current Procedural Terminology; medical billing code used by your doctor's office to state what service(s) was/were given.

²Drugs may have a PA (submitted by your doctor), quantity limit (QL, max allowed number of services that your doctor can give you for a certain drug), or step therapy limit (ST, you must have a certain diagnosis or need a certain service to use the drug without a PA).

³Details about what criteria must be met before a drug can be approved.

⁴Examples of specialists are dermatologists (skin doctor), gastroenterologist (gut doctor), or pulmonologist (lung doctor).

You may contact our Customer Service Department with any questions or concerns, Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, at **1-888-936-7526 (PLAN)**, TDD/TTY 711. The most recent information about Health Plan of San Joaquin/Mountain Valley Health Plan ("Health Plan") and our services is always available on our website <https://www.hpsj.com/>.