

New! Diabetic Supply Changes, Effective Oct. 1, 2018

We recently chose BD as the preferred manufacturer for insulin syringes and pen needles for your patients who are UnitedHealthcare Community Plan members. We made this change to help achieve the Triple Aim of improved health care services, health outcomes and overall cost of care.

What This Means

Starting Oct. 1, 2018, only BD insulin syringes and pen needles will be included on our Preferred Drug List. We removed other insulin syringe and pen needle manufacturers from the list because they're no longer preferred.

For your quick reference, the following is a list of available BD products.

Preferred Pen Needles

- **BD Ultra-Fine™ Nano™ Pen Needles 4mm x 32G**
- **BD Ultra-Fine™ Mini Pen Needles 5mm x 31G**
- **BD Ultra-Fine™ Micro Pen Needles 6mm x 32G**
- **BD Ultra-Fine™ Short Pen Needles 8mm x 31G**
- **BD Ultra-Fine™ Original Pen Needles 12.7mm x 29 G**
- **BD AutoShield Duo™ Safety Pen Needle 5mm x 30G**

Preferred Insulin Syringes

- **BD Insulin Syringes with BD Ultra-Fine™ needle 6mm x 31G 3/10 mL/cc**
- **BD Insulin Syringes with BD Ultra-Fine™ needle 6mm x 31G 1/2 mL/cc**
- **BD Insulin Syringes with BD Ultra-Fine™ needle 6mm x 31G 1 mL/cc**
- **BD Insulin Syringes with BD Ultra-Fine™ needle 8mm x 31G 3/10 mL/cc**
- **BD Insulin Syringes with BD Ultra-Fine™ needle 8mm x 31G 1/2 mL/cc**
- **BD Insulin Syringes with BD Ultra-Fine™ needle 8mm x 31G 1 mL/cc**
- **BD Insulin Syringes with BD Ultra-Fine™ needle 12.7mm x 30G 3/10 mL/cc**
- **BD Insulin Syringes with BD Ultra-Fine™ needle 12.7mm x 30G 1 /2 mL/cc**
- **BD Insulin Syringes with BD Ultra-Fine™ needle 12.7mm x 30G 1 mL/cc**
- **BD Insulin Syringes with BD Ultra-Fine™ needle 6mm x 31G 3/10 mL/cc Half Unit Scale**
- **BD Insulin Syringes with BD Ultra-Fine™ needle 8mm x 31G 3/10 mL/cc Half Unit Scale**
- **BD™ U-500 Insulin Syringes with BD Ultra-Fine™ needle 6mm x 31G 1/2 mL/cc**

Next Steps

Please encourage your patients who are our plan members to use products on the Preferred Drug List, and provide them with a new prescription for these items. If the preferred insulin syringes or pen needles aren't appropriate for a member, you can still request a non-preferred brand through our prior authorization process. For prior authorization information, please visit UHCprovider.com > Menu > [Health Plans by State](#) > Choose Your State > Medicaid (Community Plan) > Prior Authorization and Notification.



We're Here to Help. If you have questions, please call Provider Services at the number listed on the back of the member's ID card. Thank you.