

Coverage changes for Symbicort Inhaler

Effective January 1, 2021:

- Generic formulations of Symbicort Inhaler are excluded (budesonide/formoterol)
- Brand name Symbicort is covered at the generic tier (tier 1/1B). For those members in a high deductible plan that have not met their deductible, they will receive the branded product, but be charged the generic cost.
- *Troubleshooting pharmacy claims processing:* If a pharmacy bills for generic, the claim will reject and inform the pharmacy to bill for the brand with a DAW-9 code