

**Medicaid Outpatient Drug Coverage
Excluded Drug Coverage Information By State
November 2009**

ALABAMA

DESCRIPTION

This chart provides information on excluded drug coverage for this State. If additional information is required, please see the address for the State Medicaid Agency's website.

MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY

This State provides coverage for the Categorically Needy and Medically Needy.

EXCLUDED DRUG COVERAGE

Drugs when used for anorexia, weight loss, weight gain

Some

Orlistat is covered under prior authorization with medical justification

Drugs when used to promote fertility

Some

Drugs with fertility only FDA approved indications are not covered: drugs with fertility and non-fertility FDA approved indications are covered

Drugs when used for cosmetic purposes or hair growth

Drugs with cosmetic only FDA approved indications are not covered;
Isotretinoin is covered for medical necessity with medical justification

Drugs when used for the symptomatic relief of cough and colds

Some

Generic drugs classified by First Data Bank (FDB) as cough and cold agents (Therapeutic Generic Class=50) are covered; brand drugs classified by FDB as cough and cold are not covered.

Prescription vitamins and mineral products

Some

Prenatal vitamins and fluoride preparations, renal vitamins and vitamin preparations in Total Parenteral Nutrition are covered.

Nonprescription drugs (Over-the-Counter)

Some

Rebateable, non-DESI, non-repackaged antacids and adsorbents, anthelmintics, nasal antiallergens, topical antibiotics, antidiarrheal agents, topical antifungals, antihistamines, topical anti-inflammatory agents, insulins, iron preparations, topical keratoplastic agents, acetaminophen, niacin, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory agents, calcium replacement preparations, topical scabicides and pediculicides, optical vasoconstrictor agents, proton pump inhibitors, nutritionally complete products used for inborn errors of metabolism, and other specialized nutritional products are covered with prior authorization

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Barbiturates (drugs used before surgery to relieve anxiety or tension, to help control seizures in certain disorders or diseases, sometimes used to relieve nervousness or restlessness during the daytime)

Some

Generic barbiturates

Benzodiazepines (drugs used to relieve anxiety, treat insomnia (trouble in sleeping), or help relax muscles or relieve muscle spasms)

Some

Generic benzodiazepines (except estazolam)

Smoking Cessation (except dual eligibles as Part D will cover)

None

STATE WEBSITE

[http://www.medicaid.alabama.gov/documents/News/Part_D/PartD.Excluded.drug.info.sheet.FIN
AL_6-9-05.pdf](http://www.medicaid.alabama.gov/documents/News/Part_D/PartD.Excluded.drug.info.sheet.FIN_AL_6-9-05.pdf)