

## Special Authority Drugs in “Super Categories”

For certain groups of similar medications, PharmaCare sets the same coverage criteria by placing them in a “super category.” When PharmaCare approves Special Authority coverage for one medication in a super category, coverage is automatically provided for all the drugs in that group. If the patient later requires another medication in the same category, no additional Special Authority request is necessary.

When a medical practitioner prescribes a medication similar to one the patient has taken before, the practitioner or pharmacist can contact the PharmaNet HelpDesk to see if the drug is part of a super category for which the patient already has Special Authority coverage. If it is, another Special Authority request will not be required for the new medication.

Medications that may be included in super categories are:

<b>Super category</b>	<b>Medications included</b>
<b>Angiotension Converting Enzyme Inhibitors (ACEIs)</b>	benazepril, enalapril, enalapril/hydrochlorothiazide, fosinopril, lisinopril, lisinopril/hydrochlorothiazide, perindopril
<b>Angiotensin Receptor Blockers (ARBs)</b>	candesartan, candesartan/hydrochlorothiazide, eprosartan, irbesartan, irbesartan/hydrochlorothiazide, losartan, losartan/hydrochlorothiazide, olmesartan, olmesartan/hydrochlorothiazide, telmisartan, telmisartan/amlodipine, telmisartan/hydrochlorothiazide, valsartan, valsartan/hydrochlorothiazide
<b>Antihyperglycemics</b>	linagliptin, pioglitazone, sitagliptin
<b>Calcium Channel Blockers</b>	amlodipine, nifedipine
<b>Depot Antipsychotics</b>	paliperidone palmitate, risperidone microspheres
<b>Depot Testosterone Injections</b>	testosterone cypionate, testosterone enanthate, testosterone propionate
<b>Dopamine Agonists</b>	pramipexole, ropinirole
<b>H2 Blockers</b>	famotidine, nizatidine
<b>Long Acting Beta2 Agonists (LABA's)</b>	formoterol, budesonide/formoterol, mometasone/formoterol, salmeterol, fluticasone/salmeterol
<b>Long Acting Insulin Analogues</b>	insulin detemir, insulin glargine
<b>Long Acting Muscarinic Receptor Antagonists (Anti-cholinergics)</b>	glycopyrronium, tiotropium
<b>NSAIDs Group 1</b>	diclofenac regular release, diclofenac/misoprostol, naproxen enteric-coated
<b>NSAIDs Group 2</b>	diflunisal, fenoprofen, flurbiprofen regular release, indomethacin, ketoprofen regular release
<b>NSAIDs Group 3, excluding meloxicam</b>	nabumetone, piroxicam, sulindac, tenoxicam, tiaprofenic acid regular release
<b>Nebules</b>	budesonide, cromolyn, fenoterol, ipratropium, ipratropium/salbutamol, isoproterenol, salbutamol
<b>Oral Atypical Antipsychotics - Second Line</b>	aripiprazole, olanzapine, ziprasidone
<b>Proton Pump Inhibitor's (PPIs) - First Line</b>	pantoprazole magnesium, rabeprazole
<b>PPIs - Second Line</b>	lansoprazole, omeprazole, pantoprazole sodium