

Empire BlueCross BlueShield HealthPlus (Empire) Hot Tip: ADHD

Your Empire patients on nonpreferred products may experience a pharmacy claim rejection. To avoid additional steps or delays at the pharmacy, consider prescribing preferred products whenever possible. Prior authorization and step therapy may apply to select preferred products. Coverage should be verified by reviewing the *Preferred Drug List (PDL)* on the Empire provider website. The *PDL* is subject to change quarterly.

Therapeutic class	Nonpreferred products	Preferred products
ADHD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guanfacine ER¹ • Intuniv (guanfacine ER)¹ • Kapvay (clonidine) • Catapres (clonidine) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clonidine 12-hour and immediate release (generic Kapvay/Catapres)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amphetamine ER suspension • Amphetamine sulfate • Adderall & Adderall XR (amphetamine/dextroamphetamine) • Adzenys ER & Adzenys XR ODT (amphetamine) • Desoxyn¹ (methamphetamine) • Dynavel XR (amphetamine) • Evekeo & Evekeo ODT (amphetamine) • Methamphetamine¹ • Mydayis (amphetamine/dextroamphetamine) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amphetamine/dextroamphetamine tablets (generic Adderall) • Amphetamine/dextroamphetamine ER capsules (generic Adderall XR)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dexedrine CR (dextroamphetamine) • Dextroamphetamine solution • Procentra (dextroamphetamine) • Vyvanse¹ (lisdexamfetamine) • Zenzedi (dextroamphetamine) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dextroamphetamine IR tablets (generic Zenzedi) • Dextroamphetamine ER capsules (generic Dexedrine)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aptensio XR (methylphenidate) • Concerta (methylphenidate) • Cotempla (methylphenidate) • Daytrana (methylphenidate) • Focalin & Focalin XR (dexamethylphenidate) • Jornay PM ER (methylphenidate) • Methylphenidate chewable tabs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dexamethylphenidate IR (generic Focalin) • Dexamethylphenidate ER (generic Focalin XR) • Metadate ER (methylphenidate) • Methylphenidate IR (generic Ritalin)

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Methylin (methylphenidate) • Quillichew ER (methylphenidate) • Quillivant XR (methylphenidate) • Relexxii (methylphenidate) • Ritalin & Ritalin LA (methylphenidate) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Methylphenidate solution (generic Methylin) • Methylphenidate ER² (generic Concerta, Metadate ER, Ritalin LA)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strattera (atomoxetine) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Atomoxetine (generic Strattera)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adzenys ER suspension (amphetamine) • Amphetamine ER suspension • Dynavel XR suspension (amphetamine) • Dextroamphetamine solution (generic Procentra) • Methylphenidate chew tabs • Methylin solution (methylphenidate) • Procentra solution (dextroamphetamine) • QuilliChew chew tabs (methylphenidate) • Quillivant XR suspension (methylphenidate) • Vyvanse chewable tabs (lisdexamfetamine) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Methylphenidate solution (generic Methylin)
<p>1 Chemical, preferred drug equivalents are not available for guanfacine ER (Intuniv), lisdexamfetamine dimesylate (Vyvanse) or methamphetamine (Desoxyn). 2 All strengths of methylphenidate ER are preferred except methylphenidate ER 72 mg (an authorized generic for Relexxii).</p>		

If you have questions regarding this *Hot Tip*, call Provider Services at **1-800-450-8753**.

PDL: <https://mediproviders.empireblue.com/ny/pages/formularies.aspx>