

BROKER NEWS

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Vital Medication Program for HPN/SHL Group Members

UnitedHealthcare [announced](#) it's taking an important step in its continued efforts to make prescription drugs more affordable for people by eliminating out-of-pocket costs for preferred rapid-, short- and long-acting insulins, as well as the following preferred vital use drugs that are critical in maintaining the health of our group plan members:

- epinephrine –allergic reactions
- glucagon – hypoglycemia
- naloxone – opioid overuse
- albuterol –asthma

This announcement includes new and existing Health Plan of Nevada and Sierra Health and Life fully insured group plans with Optum Rx (carve-in), effective January 1, 2023. We are quickly reviewing all of the implementation requirements and will continue to provide additional details.

The [drugs in the Vital Medication Program](#) will be available to group members at \$0 cost share without the member having to satisfy their deductible. Please note this list may not be all-inclusive, is subject to change throughout the year and some of the drugs may have quantity limits and other clinical requirements.

If you have any questions, please contact your HPN/SHL sales representative.