

Client Intranet/Newsletter Article

Walgreens Remains in CVS Caremark Pharmacy Network

On June 18, CVS Caremark and Walgreens reached agreement on Walgreens' continued participation in the CVS Caremark national pharmacy networks. This means plan members will have uninterrupted access to Walgreens and other pharmacies participating in the CVS Caremark national network to fill their prescriptions. The network includes more than 64,000 retail pharmacies, including numerous chain and independent pharmacies.

Plan members may continue to use their CVS Caremark prescription benefit at Walgreens pharmacy locations without interruption and with continued prescription benefit coverage in accordance with their benefit plan designs. Members will not need to transfer their prescriptions to other network pharmacies.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q1: I thought Walgreens was going to be excluded from the CVS Caremark pharmacy network? What happened?

A1: CVS Caremark and Walgreens reached on agreement on Walgreens' continued participation in the CVS Caremark pharmacy networks. This means plan members will have uninterrupted access to Walgreens and other pharmacies participating in our national network, which consists of more than 64,000 retail pharmacies, including numerous chain and independent pharmacies.

Q2: As a CVS Caremark plan member, will my prescriptions be covered if I fill them at Walgreens?

A2: **Yes, your prescriptions will still be covered**, according to the terms of your benefit plan. Plan members may continue to use their CVS Caremark prescription benefit at Walgreens pharmacy locations without interruption and with continued prescription benefit coverage.

Q3: I thought I needed to transfer my Walgreens prescriptions to another pharmacy, is that still true?

A3: **No.** Walgreens pharmacies will continue to participate in the CVS Caremark national networks, so plan members will not need to transfer their prescriptions to other network pharmacies. As long as you fill your prescription at a network pharmacy, including Walgreens and Walgreens-affiliated pharmacies, your regular copayment or coinsurance will not change.

Q4: Weren't Walgreens and CVS Caremark both saying that Walgreens would no longer be in the pharmacy network?

A4: Yes, but they've reached agreement to keep Walgreens in the CVS Caremark pharmacy networks which means you may continue to use Walgreens or other network pharmacies of your choice.