



Livingston County, NY Premium Plan Summary

The following outline of your group’s outpatient prescription drug benefit is provided for your information. This document contains specific coverage information related to your prescription benefit provided by Livingston County, NY and administered by Express Scripts, Inc. For more information about these drugs or others please call **Express Scripts’ Customer Service Center at (877) 299-2244**, download our mobile app, or visit www.express-scripts.com.

2023-2023 Pharmacy Benefit Design (effective 1/1/2023)

Retail Copayments - 30 Day Supply	
Actives and COBRA Premium Plan	
Generic	\$5
Formulary Brand	\$15
Non Formulary Brand	\$30
Mail Copayments - 90 Day Supply	
Actives and COBRA Premium Plan	
Generic	\$10
Formulary Brand	\$30
Non Formulary Brand	\$60
PPO Accumulators (calendar year)	
Out of Pocket Maximums	
Individual	\$6,850
Family Plan	\$13,700

Generics Preferred: If you, or your doctor, selects brand name over an available generic, a penalty will apply
Some medications covered under the Affordable Care Act (ACA) are covered at a \$0.00 Copay

Accredo Exclusive Specialty Program

To help control the rising costs of specialty prescription drugs, your plan requires you to fill most specialty medications through Express Scripts’ Specialty Pharmacy, Accredo. If you attempt to fill your medication at a retail that is required to move to Accredo, it will reject until you move your medication to Accredo. Please call **Accredo at (800) 803-2523** if you are on a specialty medication.

Using A Participating Retail Pharmacy

Network Pharmacies are contracted to accept special rates for your employers’ members. Present your shared medical ID card from Excellus to your pharmacy to secure your special copayments under your plan. If you do not present your Excellus ID card to the pharmacy, you may be charged 100% of the cost of the medication. You can find a pharmacy near you by using our mobile app or by visiting www.express-scripts.com.

National Plus Pharmacy Network

The Express Scripts National Plus Pharmacy Network provides excellent national and regional access, including most major pharmacy chains, leading mass merchants, and many independent pharmacies. For assistance locating a pharmacy near you, please call **Express Scripts’ Customer Service Center at (877) 299-2244**, download our mobile app, or visit www.express-scripts.com.

Using Express Scripts Home Delivery

Express Scripts offers Home Delivery of maintenance medications. Maintenance medications are typically used to treat long term conditions such as high blood pressure, diabetes, high cholesterol and cardio therapy. By using Express Scripts Home Delivery Pharmacy you can get a 90 day supply of your medication at a cheaper copayment than by filling your medication at a retail pharmacy. By making a switch to Express Scripts Home Delivery, you can save money by getting a larger 90-day supply of your medication for the cost of filling two 30-day supplies at a retail pharmacy. Call **Express Scripts’ Customer Service Center at (877) 299-2244** for help with getting started.

Getting Started with Express Scripts Home Delivery Pharmacy

Take advantage of added savings and the convenience of home delivery for your long-term, maintenance medications. To begin, ask your doctor for a new prescription written as a “**90-day supply, plus 3 refills.**” On the back of your prescription please write the cardholder ID #, the patient name and patient date of birth. Complete the Member Profile form included in your Express Scripts member packet and mail the form and original prescription(s) in the envelope provided to the Express Scripts Home Delivery pharmacy in Tempe, AZ. Please allow 14 days to receive your initial order. Once your new prescription is on file, refills will process and ship within 48 hours. A courtesy outreach is offered to you when your order is ready to ship. (Overnight, or second-day, delivery may be available for your area for an additional charge.) The Express Scripts Mail Service pharmacy will dispense generic medication whenever possible. The pharmacy may even contact your doctor for approval of a switch to the generic medication. When you receive your shipment please read the enclosed materials. Along with your medication, an invoice and drug information will be included. A refill slip will also be enclosed offering the date(s) you can place a refill order. Other enclosures may notify you of important product notifications.

Prior Authorization

Prior Authorization is a program that helps you get the prescription drugs you need with safety, savings and – most importantly your health and well-being in mind. *It helps you get the most from your healthcare dollars by ensuring you are prescribed medications that work well for you, are appropriate for you disease state, and are covered by your pharmacy benefit to help control the rising cost of prescription drugs for everyone your plan.* This program works much like a healthcare plan, where approval for certain medical procedures is required to ensure it is the most appropriate option for you. If you have questions on whether your medication requires a Prior Authorization or to check the status of a Prior Authorization, please call **Express Scripts' Customer Service Center at (877) 299-2244**. If you are aware your medication needs a Prior Authorization, please have your doctor call **Express Scripts' Coverage Review Department at (800) 753-2851** to perform a clinical review of your medication.

Step Therapy

For some of the more common conditions there are many drug choices available. The Express Scripts Step Therapy Program encourages cost-effective choices through a letter-based Prior Authorization process. First-line drugs are automatically allowed and include generic or preferred brand-name. Second-line products would include higher cost products, or non-preferred brand name medicine. If you attempt to purchase a second-line drug first, the purchase will be denied with a message to try a first-line alternative. Express Scripts will immediately send you a letter that outlines choices you can discuss with your doctor. *(In order to start a second line drug first, your physician would need to establish a medical necessity for that product and secure Prior Authorization through Express Scripts.)*

Drug Quantity Limits

The Drug Quantity Management program manages prescription costs by ensuring that the quantity of units supplied for each copayment are consistent with clinical dosing guidelines as recommended by the Food & Drug Administration (FDA). The program is designed to support safe, effective, and economic use of drugs while giving patients access to quality care. Express Scripts clinicians maintain a list of quantity limit drugs, which is based upon manufacturer-recommended guidelines and medical literature. Online edits help make sure optimal quantities of medication are dispensed per copayment and per days' supply.