eRx: What do the U/NF/NR/NP/PX (formulary) symbols mean?

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A Guide to Formulary Symbols

A formulary is a list of drugs or supplies that indicate the greatest overall value after evaluation for both safety and effectiveness. In DrChrono, medications and supplies are labeled with formulary symbols, indicated by one or two letters and a color code.

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Medication	Favorite medications	¢ ×	
Type* Medication Compound Supply			
Medication*			
insulin		+	
Matches for insulin:			
Insulin Diluting Medium for NovoLOG diluent intravenous so	olution	NR	
insulin lispro 100 units/mL subcutaneous solution		NR	
Afrezza 4 unit (30)- 8 unit (60) inhalation powder		NP	
Afrezza 4 unit (60)- 8 unit (30) inhalation powder		NP	
Afrezza 4 units inhalation powder		NP	
Apidra 100 units/mL subcutaneous solution		NP	
Apidra SoloStar Pen 100 units/mL subcutaneous solution		NP	
HumaLOG 100 units/mL subcutaneous solution		NP	
HumaLOG Cartridge 100 units/mL subcutaneous solution		NP	
HumaLOG KwikPen (Concentrated) 200 units/mL subcutane	eous solution	NR	
HumaLOG KwikPen 100 units/mL subcutaneous solution		NP	
HumaLOG Mix 50/50 KwikPen subcutaneous suspension		NP	
HumaLOG Mix 50/50 subcutaneous suspension		NP	
HumaLOG Mix 75/25 KwikPen subcutaneous suspension		NP	
HumaLOG Mix 75/25 subcutaneous suspension		NP	
HumuLIN 70/30 KwikPen 70 units-30 units/mL subcutaneou	s suspension	NP	
HumuLIN 70/30 Pen subcutaneous suspension			
HumuLIN 70/30 subcutaneous suspension Pharmacy Name / ZIP Code Q Snow	w Favorites Patient's Deta		

In addition to being present in the medication or supply search results, the formulary status is also indicated below the medication or supply name after selection.

Medication			Favorite medications	* ×	
Туре*	Medication	Compound	Supply	Eer potieste uitbout en e	ssigned
Medication*			For patients without an assigned formulary, the formulary status is		
Claritin 10 mg oral tablet		Unknown			
				N/A: U Br	and OTC

What the formulary symbols mean

The formulary symbols refer to the following meanings:

- U: Unknown formulary status
- NF: Non-formulary
- NR: Not reimbursable
- NP: Not preferred
- **PX:** Preferred at level X, with X indicating a more preferred medication or supply. This will show as "P34" for a level 34 medication or supply. Higher numbers indicate higher preference.

This information is readily accessible via the legend on the "New eRx" page. Click on the 'Show/hide legend' button to display a guide that explains all the symbols.

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Favorite medications	Legend The following abbreviations are used to display a medication or supply's formulary status. n.b. When a patient has multiple benefits, only the highest formulary status from all benefits will be displayed in the search box.			
	U Unknown formulary status			
	NF Non-formulary			
	NR Not reimbursable			
	NP On formulary, not preferred			
DAW F	Preferred, level X, where X is a number between 1 and 97, inclusive (higher means more preferred)			

Additional information after selecting a medication

After selecting a medication, an information pane will appear to the right of the New Rx form. This pane will contain three options to choose from. These may or may not be clickable depending on the medication selected:

- Alternatives: Other options for the selected medication
- Copay: Standard copay information according to the patient's insurance plan
- Coverage: Pharmacy benefit management (PBM) information

Alternatives	×
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Therapeutic alternatives	
antihyperlipidemic combinations	
amLODIPine-atorvastatin 5 mg-10 mg oral tablet Retail, \$ 0.00 Retail, \$ 50.00 P3	
amLODIPine-atorvastatin 10 mg-10 mg oral tablet Retail, \$ 0.00 Retail, \$ 50.00 P2	
amLODIPine-atorvastatin 10 mg-20	

For more information on how to use this pane, please refer to our guide here: eRx: How do I use the alternatives/copay/coverage pane?