

Formulary Listings for Diabetes Medications in Canada

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This information demonstrates that access to diabetes medication varies across the provinces and territories. Specific listings should be verified with provincial and territorial formularies (accessible online). Please send notification of amendments or errors to info@diabetes.ca

(B) Benefit: Drugs included as regular benefits in a program that do not require patient-specific justification to receive reimbursement. Cost will be fully or partially covered according to the terms of the public drug plan. Under the Pharmacare agreement with the federal government, most diabetes drug costs are now covered 100% in **Manitoba, Prince Edward Island, and Yukon**

(R) Restricted: Drugs included in a program that require Special Authority requests are made by a prescriber. Coverage is approved for patients who meet the published criteria. Cost may be fully or partially covered according to the terms of the public drug plan.

(NL) Not Listed: Not available through the public drug plan.

Alpha-glucosidase inhibitor												
Drug (brand name)	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	PE	NL	NIHB/ NU/ NT	YK
Acarbose (generic only)	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Combined formulations												
Drug (brand name)	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	PE	NL	NIHB/ NU/ NT	YK
alogliptin & metformin (Kazano)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	R	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL
canagliflozin & metformin (Invokamet)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL
dapagliflozin & metformin (Xigduo)	NL	B	B	B	B	NL	B	R	B	NL	B	R
empagliflozin & metformin (Synjardy)	R	R	R	R	B	NL	R	R	R	R	B	R
ertugliflozin & metformin (Segluromet)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL
linagliptin & metformin (Jentadueto)	R	R	R	R	B	R	R	R	R	R	B	R
rosiglitazone & metformin (Avandamet)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL
rosiglitazone & glimepiride (Avandaryl)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL
saxagliptin & metformin (Komboglyze)	R	R	R	R	B	R	R	R	R	R	B	R
sitagliptin & metformin (Janumet)	NL	R	R	R	B	R	B	R	R	R	B	R
sitagliptin & ertugliflozin (Steglujan)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL
insulin degludec & liraglutide injection (Xultophy)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL
insulin glargine & lixisenatide injection (Soliqua)	NL	NL	R	R	B	NL	NL	NL	NL	R	B	NL

DPP-4 inhibitor												
Drug (brand name)	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	PE	NL	NIHB/ NU/ NT	YK
alogliptin (<i>Nesina</i>)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	R	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL
linagliptin (<i>Trajenta</i>)	R	R	R	NL	B	R	B	R	R	R	B	R
Sitagliptin(<i>J anuvia</i>)	NL	R	R	R	B	R	B	R	R	R	B	R
saxagliptin (<i>Onglyza</i>)	R	R	R	R	B	R	R	R	R	R	B	R
GLP-1 receptor agonist												
Drug (brand name)	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	PE	NL	NIHB/ NU/ NT	YK
albiglutide (<i>Eperzan</i>)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL
dulaglutide (<i>Trulicity</i>)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	R	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL
exenatide injection (<i>Byetta</i>) / extended release (<i>Bydureon</i>)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL
liraglutide injection (<i>Victoza</i>)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	R	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL
lixisenatide injection (<i>Adlyxine</i>)	NL	NL	R	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL
semaglutide injection (<i>Ozempic</i>)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
semaglutide tablet (oral) (<i>Rybelsus</i>)	NL	NL	NL	NL	R	R	NL	R	R	R	R	NL
Insulin Bolus (prandial) Insulins: Rapid-acting												
Drug (brand name)	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	PE	NL	NIHB/ NU/ NT	YK
aspart (<i>NovoRapid</i>)	NL	NL	R	R	R	NL	NL	B	R	NL	B	R
aspart (biosimilar) (<i>Trurapi</i>)	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	R	B	B	B
aspart (biosimilar) (<i>Kirsty</i>)	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	NL	B	B
aspart (<i>Fiasp</i>)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL
glulisine (<i>Apidra</i>)	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
lispro (<i>Humalog</i>)	NL	NL	B	B	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	B	R
lispro (biosimilar) (<i>Admelog</i>)	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B

Insulin <i>Bolus (prandial) Insulins: Short-acting – Regular</i>												
Drug (brand name)	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	PE	NL	NIHB/ NU/ NT	YK
(Humulin-R, Novolin ge Toronto)	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Concentrated Humulin R (Entuzity)	B	R	B	B	B	B	B	R	R	R	B	NL
Pork regular insulin (Hypurin Regular) Discontinued. Available inventory expires 12.2025	R	NL	B	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	B	B
Insulin Basal Insulins: Intermediate acting – Regular												
Drug (brand name)	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	PE	NL	NIHB/ NU/ NT	YK
NPH (Humulin-N, Novolin GE NPH)	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Insulin Long-acting basal analogues												
Drug (brand name)	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	PE	NL	NIHB/ NU/ NT	YK
detemir (Levemir)	R	B	B	B	B	B	R	R	R	R	B	B
glargine (Lantus)	NL	NL	R	R	R	B	NL	NL	NL	NL	B	R
glargine U300 (Toujeo)	NL	NL	NL	NL	B	B	NL	NL	R	NL	B	NL
glargine (biosimilar) (Basaglar)	R	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Glargine (biosimilar) (Semglee)	R	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
degludec (Tresiba)	NL	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
pork isophane insulin (Hypurin NPH) Discontinued. Available inventory expires 04.2026	R	NL	B	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	B	B	NL
Insulin Pre-Mixed Insulins												
Drug (brand name)	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	PE	NL	NIHB/ NU/ NT	YK
Premixed Regular-NPH (Humulin 30/70, Novolin 30/70-40/60)	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Biphasic Insulin Aspart (NovoMix 30)	NL	NL	NL	NL	B	R	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	B
Insulin Lispro/lispro protamine suspension (Humalog Mix 25)	NL	B	NL	B	B	R	NL	NL	B	NL	NL	NL
(Humalog Mix 50)	NL	B	NL	NL	B	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL

Insulin Secretagogues <i>Sulfonylureas</i>												
Drug (brand name)	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	PE	NL	NIHB/ NU/ NT	YK
gliclazide (<i>Diamicon</i> , <i>DiamiconMR</i>)	R	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
glimepiride (<i>Amaryl</i>)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL
Glyburide generic only	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Insulin Secretagogues <i>Meglitinides</i>												
Drug (brand name)	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	PE	NL	NIHB/ NU/ NT	YK
repaglinide (<i>GlucoNorm</i>)	NL	B	B	R	R	B	B	B	NL	B	B	B
Metformin												
Drug (brand name)	BC	AB	SK	MB National	ON	QC	NB	NS	PE	NL	NIHB/ NU/ NT	YK
(<i>Glucophage</i> , <i>Glumetza</i>)	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Sodium glucose co-transporter 2 inhibitors (SGLT2)												
Drug (brand name)	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	PE	NL	NIHB/ NU/ NT	YK
canagliflozin (<i>Invokana</i>)	NL	R	R	R	B	R	R	R	R	R	B	R
dapagliflozin (<i>Forxiga</i>)	B	B	B	B	B	R	B	B	B	B	B	B
empagliflozin (<i>Jardiance</i>)	R	R	R	R	B	R	R	R	R	R	B	R
ertugliflozin (<i>Steglatro</i>)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL
Thiazolidinedione (TZD)												
Drug (brand name)	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	PE	NL	NIHB/ NU/ NT	YK
pioglitazone generic only	R	R	R	R	R	R	B	B	B	B	B	R
rosiglitazone generic only	NL	R	R	NL	R	R	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	R
Anti-hypoglycemic												
Drug (brand name)	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	PE	NL	NIHB/ NU/ NT	YK
Glucagon injection	B	B	B	NL	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Nasal glucagon (<i>Baqsimi</i>)	B	R	B	B	R	B	R	B	B	R	B	B
Delay onset of Stage 3 type 1 diabetes												
Drug (brand name)	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	PE	NL	NIHB/ NU/ NT	YK

Teplizumab (Tzield)	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL