



## TELUS Complete managed formulary

**Designed for our customers,** Great-West's *DrugSolutions* program offers unique products and services designed to tackle the issue of escalating drug costs, while helping to ensure plan members continue to have access to comprehensive coverage. Built to match your benefits philosophy, our plans provide smart solutions through sustainable plan design.

Prescription drug coverage is a key component of any plan sponsor's benefits offering. The high costs associated with specialty medications mean it's more important than ever to find ways to help ensure you can still provide much-needed coverage to your plan members, while keeping your plan sustainable.

We've teamed with TELUS Health to offer a managed formulary. TELUS Complete provides enhanced cost containment and drug review capabilities that are complemented by Great-West Life's standard drug plan offerings such as Prior Authorization and Health Case Management.



Specialty medications can cost anywhere from \$20,000 to beyond \$600,000 per year.

### TELUS Complete formulary – helping you find the right balance for your drug plan

TELUS Complete offers a simple and balanced approach to your drug plan and can help eliminate unnecessary drug costs. With a clinical and pharmacoeconomic drug review process and comprehensive management performed by TELUS Health, it's simple to implement and easy for your plan members to understand. Approximately 20 per cent of claimants may see a difference in coverage compared to an open formulary, but individual impacts will vary. By moving to TELUS Complete, you could save approximately nine per cent depending on your current plan design, location, and demographics.



## How does it work?

New drugs are assessed by the TELUS Health Formulary Committee – a group of pharmacists and other health technology experts – based on manufacturer information, clinical evidence, pharmaco-economic modeling and a budget impact analysis. With the ever-changing drug landscape, the formulary ensures new drugs are evaluated on a monthly basis for potential inclusion and, when a better option is discovered, existing drugs are re-evaluated to ensure only the best alternatives for cost-effectiveness and appropriate treatment are listed.

TELUS Complete is made up of approximately 12,000 DINs – including brand-name, single source brand, generic and certain life-sustaining drugs. To be included on the formulary, drugs go through a rigorous review process based on their effectiveness, safety and cost in relation to alternative drugs.



Great-West is committed to balancing the health needs of your plan members with the cost management needs of your organization. By implementing TELUS Complete as part of your Great-West benefits plan, you can enjoy plan savings while offering appropriate coverage for your plan members.

To find out more about ways to effectively manage and sustain your group benefits plan, contact your Great-West group representative.

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