



**To:** Kaiser Permanente Network Physicians      **Date:** March 18, 2020  
**Subject:** Notice to MDs: KPNW Network Provider      **From:** Sean Jones, MD  
Notification of Part D Negative Formulary      Emily Thomas, PharmD  
Change 2020      Formulary Services

As a part of our due diligence to inform all concerned of Medicare Part D Formulary Changes, the following notification is requested by CMS to be sent to all Providers.

**Medicare Part D Benefit Coverage – Product removal**

During the year, with Medicare approval, we may make changes to our Drug List.

- We may add new drugs, remove drugs, and add or remove restrictions on coverage for drugs. We are also allowed to change drugs from one cost-sharing tier to another.
- Unless noted otherwise, you will have at least 30-day notice before any changes take effect unless a serious safety issue is involved (for example, a drug is taken off the market by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) or the drug manufacturer removes it).

**Product Removal: Lyrica 20 mg/ml solution and Lyrica 25 mg, 50 mg, 75 mg, 100 mg, 150 mg, 200 mg, 225 mg, 300 mg capsules**

Effective May 1, 2020, the brand-name drug Lyrica 20 mg/ml solution and Lyrica 25 mg, 50 mg, 75 mg, 100 mg, 150 mg, 200 mg, 225 mg and 300 mg capsules will be removed from the KP Medicare Part D Drug List as a generic alternative is now available.

Affected members who were prescribed this drug prior to May 1, 2020 will be grandfathered and continue to receive the product.

Reason for change	Drug Name/Description	Date and Type of Change:	Alternate Drug (Note: Over-the-counter (OTC) drugs are not covered under the Medicare Part D benefit)
Generic Available	LYRICA SOLN 20 MG/ML  LYRICA CAPS 25 MG, 50 MG, 75 MG, 100 MG, 150 MG, 200 MG, 225 MG, 300 MG	May 1, 2020  Brand drug to be replaced with generic	PREGABALIN SOL 20 MG/ML  PREGABALIN CAPS 25 MG, 50 MG, 75 MG, 100 MG, 150 MG, 200 MG, 225 MG, 300 MG