



January 8, 2025

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Dear Plan Member,

In alignment with our **Biosimilar Transition Policy (BTP)**, effective **April 8, 2025**, your plan will no longer reimburse the full cost of originator drug(s) where a biosimilar drug(s) exists, except in exceptional circumstances. Biosimilars are just as safe and effective as originator biologics but are much more cost-effective as they have the potential to generate savings for you and your benefits plan and help to keep our health care system sustainable for the future.

Our records indicate that within the last six months, you had claims for the originator drug noted below, and therefore may be affected by this change. If you are no longer being treated with the originator drug, you can disregard this letter.

Drug Identification Number (DIN)	Originator Brand Name	Biosimilar Brand Name

If you are currently taking the originator drug outlined in the table above, you have two options:

- 1) Speak with your specialist about transitioning from the originator biologic by obtaining a new prescription for the eligible biosimilar drug.
- 2) Choose to continue your treatment with the originator biologic and pay the cost difference (in addition to any member copayments) between the originator biologic and the biosimilar starting **April 8, 2025**.

We understand that for some plan members, it may be medically necessary to remain on the originator drug. If this applies to your situation, your specialist can complete and submit a Biosimilar Exception Request Form. You can scan the QR code to quickly access the form. Completed forms can be sent to our Drug Special Authorization team for assessment via email at drugspecial.autho@greenshield.ca or faxed to **1-519-739-6483**. If your request is approved, your originator drug claims will continue to be reimbursed in accordance with your benefits plan. Please note that your plan sponsor is not involved in this request for exception process.



If you have any questions about this letter, please contact our Customer Contact Services team via email at customer.service@greenshield.ca or toll-free at **1-866-797-6483**.

Sincerely,

Pharmacy Benefit Management Solutions
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