

AffirmedRx Transition Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Why did Purdue switch pharmacy benefit managers (PBM)?

A. Purdue University is continually looking for opportunities to improve benefits for staff and faculty. AffirmedRx will allow more transparency for drug costs and allow members to access online pharmacies such as Mark Cuban Cost Plus Drug Co. and Amazon Pharmacy. These pharmacies will allow members more access to low-cost medications and the amount you pay will apply to your health plan.

Q. Will my drug cost change?

A. That is a possibility. Purdue University chose AffirmedRx in part due to their business model to focus on patients over profits. AffirmedRx negotiates drug prices at lower cost and passes the savings on to you. See the AffirmedRx pricing tool to check the price of your medication.

Q. Do I have to change my pharmacy?

A. No. AffirmedRx will have the same network of participating pharmacies as CVS Caremark with the addition of online pharmacies such as Mark Cuban Cost Plus Drug Co. and Amazon Pharmacy. You can click this link for a full list of [pharmacy locations](#).

Q. Do I notify my pharmacy of the change?

A. Yes. You will receive a new Anthem ID card with the updated AffirmedRx pharmacy information. Beginning 01/01/2025, you should show your new Anthem ID card to the pharmacy when you fill your prescription to make sure it processes correctly through AffirmedRx. If you do not have your new card, the information can be accessed through the [Anthem Syndey App](#) and the [AffirmedRx ARx Pulse app](#).

Q. What happens if I fill a prescription after 01/01/2025 and the pharmacy files the claim with CVS Caremark?

A. When the pharmacy processes your prescriptions, it will show your coverage is terminated with CVS Caremark. Once you give the pharmacy your new card, they will reprocess the claim.

Q. Will I have to get a new prescription from my provider?

A. No. If you still have available refills, the pharmacy will update your insurance information, and your prescription will remain the same.

Q. Will I need to get a new prescription if I have mail order?

A. All mail order prescriptions that still have refills available after 01/01/2025, will transition to Amazon mail order pharmacy. The AffirmedRx Patient Care Advocates will reach out to you to assist with this transition. Click this [link](#) for details to register with Amazon Pharmacy.

Q. I am currently receiving specialty medications, how will this be affected?

A. AffirmedRx will only manage retail medications. Specialty medications will continue to be managed by Archimedes.

Q. Will my prescriptions still apply to my deductible and out of pocket maximum?

A. Yes, AffirmedRx will continue to send the prescription data to Anthem to apply costs to your deductible and out of pocket maximum.

Q. Will I still be able to use my FSA/HSA/HRA card to pay for prescriptions?

A. Yes, this will not change your ability to use your FSA/HSA/HRA funds to pay for qualified pharmacy expenses, including mail order prescriptions with Amazon Pharmacy or Cost Plus Drugs Pharmacy.