

SIGIS: Special Interest Group for IIAS Standards™ Eligible Product List Criteria (11/01/2015)

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

In August 2015, the Eligible List Committee conducted an additional review of compression hosiery. The EPL Committee, with informal non-binding opinion from the IRS, determined there are certain levels of compression hosiery that would be strictly used for the medical purpose of treating venous conditions and are thus eligible. The Eligible Product List has been updated with product types that fit the "but/for" criteria, and are of the highest medical compression level or are identified on the packaging as anti-embolism, lymphedema, ulcer care, etc. Although many packages mention tired/achy legs, their primary purpose is to prevent or treat venous conditions. They are often recommended by and used under doctor supervision. Since manufacturers are now producing high quality, aesthetically pleasing (not "ugly", different colors, designs, etc.) hosiery indicated for the previously mentioned conditions, appearances can no longer be a reliable eligibility factor. These include below the knee, above the knee, pantyhose and garments. The medical indications combined with the high cost of the products denote that these are not used as "regular" socks/hosiery and would qualify as a medical expense. Hosiery with lower compression levels and products that do not include specific mention of treat for anti-embolism, lymphedema and ulcer care remain ineligible.

SIGIS has developed a list of health care over-the-counter items and other services that are considered eligible under Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Code Section 213 rules. The list originates from a database of more than 70,000 health and beauty aid items that is continually being updated with new product introductions and discontinuations. Using the criteria in this document, SIGIS determines whether a product or service qualifies or does not qualify as a medical expense under IRS Code Section 213(d) and applicable IRS guidance. This list is reviewed monthly by the SIGIS List Committee, a group of benefit plan administrators, to assure the accuracy and integrity of the list. Additions and suggested eliminations from the list are to be referred to the Committee for monthly discussion and appropriate action.

The Eligible Product List and regular updates may be downloaded and used by all SIGIS members. Merchants certified by SIGIS or planning to be certified by SIGIS must use the Eligible Product List as a basis for identifying the items in their product database that would be eligible for submission as a SIGIS qualified healthcare product in a debit card authorization request. Benefit plan administrators may find the Eligible Product List and this List Criteria helpful in ensuring consistency between substantiation of card transactions at SIGIS merchants and other substantiation requests.

Information provided in this document is subject to change as new information becomes available and as rules and definitions change.

1. Eligibility Status Definitions

Eligible Services for IIAS Approval

Eligible services for inclusion in the IIAS total include the provision of health care services including diagnostic tests, flu shots and other vaccinations and urgent care or primary care office visits including services provided at pharmacies or store.

Eligible Products for IIAS Approval

Eligible OTC: Eligible products include OTC products that are for medical care and are primarily for a medical purpose. They include products (other than OTC medicines or drugs) that diagnose, alleviate or treat existing or imminent injuries, illnesses or medical conditions. As a general rule, most of these products are of short-term use but some do treat chronic medical conditions. Qualified medical expenses include those over-the-counter items compliant with federal tax rules under IRS Code Section 213(d) as outlined by the Internal Revenue Service. In these cases, the expense would not have been paid “but for” the disease or illness. An expense is not deductible as medical care if the taxpayer would have paid the expense even in absence of a medical condition. The user does not need to provide a statement from a medical provider or indicate a diagnosis in order to receive reimbursement. Taxes, shipping and surcharge/convenience fees (as permitted by law and card brand/network regulations) directly associated with the purchase of an eligible product can be included.

Prescribed Drugs and Medicines, including Prescribed OTC: Drugs and medicines prescribed by a licensed medical professional and dispensed in accordance with state laws including the generation of an Rx Number are considered Eligible by the IRS. This includes OTC Drugs and medicines other than dual-purpose. Since the prescription serves as the determination of medical eligibility in a merchant location with a properly configured Pharmacy and IIAS POS system, no additional checks are required. These items will not be listed on the Eligible Products list due to their separate processing rules.

Not Included as Eligible Products for IIAS Approval

All OTC Medicines and Drugs without a Prescription:

OTC drugs and medicines can only be reimbursed with a valid physicians’ prescription. FSA and HRA debit cards can be used only if the OTC drug or medicine is filled by the pharmacist and an Rx number has been assigned. As such, they have been removed from the Eligible Products List as the list only covers items where a prescription is not required by IRS regulations.

Dual-purpose: Some products are considered dual-purpose. These products may have both a medical purpose and a personal hygiene, cosmetic or general health purpose. In order to be considered eligible, they must be used to treat a medical condition and cannot be used to improve or maintain general health unless prescribed by a physician to treat a specific illness, condition or injury. These products may be eligible for reimbursement, but require a letter of medical necessity from a licensed healthcare professional stating the specific diagnosis or medical condition, the specific OTC medicine recommendation to treat the condition, and documentation of the product and cost. Dual-purpose items will not be included in the SIGIS List.

Ineligible: Products that are used for general health, cosmetic, or personal hygiene purposes are not reimbursable. Typically, these are not referred to as medicines or drugs and are not recognized to treat a medical condition. Expenses that are not reimbursable under IRS Code Section 213(d) of the federal tax code are ineligible. These include food supplements, toiletries, lotions and soaps, shampoos, vitamins and most herbal supplements.

The source of the list includes most nationally-distributed, regularly-stocked items. As such, the following types of items will generally not be included: items specially created for an individual retailer (including but not limited to private label items); a local, regional, or specialty item; bonus items (e.g. 2 oz free); BOGOS

(buy one, get one), or other in-and-out types of packaging with limited availability or distribution. Although these items will not be included in the data, they may in fact be eligible. If such circumstances exist or if one feels other items meet the eligibility criteria then they can be submitted through the add process on the SIGIS website. These will be reviewed by the SIGIS List Committee and qualifying items will be added to the eligible product listing.

Because the source of the list is nationally-distributed, regularly-stocked products, private label and store branded products will generally not be available for inclusion on the standard list produced by SIGIS. It is understood that some of these private label and/or store brand items are, in fact, eligible under IRS Code Section 213(d), and therefore, can be processed through a certified SIGIS IIAS merchant. Merchants that choose to supplement their inventory of SIGIS identified eligible items with their own private label items are free to do so by following the process detailed in the Private Label Eligibility Criteria document. That document can be found at www.sig-is.org.

2. Classifications and Examples

The following are types of products that typically would be included under each designation. These are strictly guidelines and do not represent an all-inclusive listing.

Eligible:

Category	Example	Comment
Acupressure Treatments	Sea Band, Flents EZ Travel Wrist Band	Products that treat a medical condition are eligible. Weight-loss products are dual-purpose.
Breast Pumps and Breast-Feeding Supplies	Breast Pump (cost or rental fee), Breast Pump Parts (pump valve, replacement tubing, piston unit, diaphragms, pump body, flange, shield), Storage Bottles, Storage Bags, Gel Pads, Nursing Pads, Nipple Shields, Conversion Kits, Areola Stimulator, Car Adapter	Products that directly aid lactation are eligible. Items not eligible include: Bottle Stands, Bottle Nipples, Cleaners, Freezer Blocks, Bra Shields and Nursing Pillow and Covers, Nursing Bras and Milk Coolers
Compression Hosiery	Medical Compression 30-40 and above; Any compression of Anti-Embolism Stockings, Ulcer Care Compression or Lymphedema	Treats condition-specific medical conditions such as anti-embolism, ulcer care or lymphedema
Contraceptives	Condoms (with and without spermicide) – Trojan, Durex, Lifestyle.	Excludes drugs and medicines which require a prescription (ie. birth control pills) Spermicide-only products are not eligible.
Cotton Balls, Rolled Cotton, Cotton Applicators	US Cotton Sterile Cotton Balls and Rolls	Only Sterile cotton products are eligible. Non-sterile products are dual-purpose.
Dental Repair	Dentek, Temparin, DOC Recapit	Temporary dental repair products are eligible.
Denture Adhesives, Repair, and Cleansers	PoliGrip, Benzodent, Plate Weld, Efferdent	Denture cleaners and maintenance products are eligible. Medicated pain relief is not eligible.

Diabetes Care	Ascensia Meters & Strips, One Touch Meters & Strips ,Softclix Lancets & Device, Monoject insulin syringes; Dex 4 glucose products	Testing (meters, strips, lancets, alcohol swabs), dosing (syringes, pens, etc.), glucose are eligible. OTC medicines and personal care are ineligible or dual purpose.
Diagnostic Products (Includes thermometers, blood pressure monitors, cholesterol testing, pulse oximeters)	Braun Forehead Thermometer, Nexcare Thermometer, Lifescan BP Monitor, Cholestrak, Azo UTI Test Strips, Quest Pulse Oximeter	Includes devices that monitor, screen or test for the presence of disease, dysfunction of the body or for other medical conditions; drug, alcohol and body fat testers are dual-purpose.
Diapers – Juvenile Incontinence	GoodNites, Under Jams	Products marketed for juvenile incontinence only. Regular diapers and training paints are not eligible.
Durable Medical Equipment	Wheel Chairs, Crutches, Oxygen Machines	Can be included when manufacturer provides UPC, merchants can mark non-UPC tagged items as private label items. See Home Health Care for additional criteria.
Ear Care	Sweet oil, Bionix Oto Clear, Select Nutrition Ear Wax Candle, Provent Hearing Aid Dryer	Un-medicated ear drops (sweet oil) ear syringes, ear wax removal devices, ear candles, hearing aid cleaners and dryers.
Enemas	Bags, Syringes, prefilled saline enemas - Fleet	Devices are eligible. Prefilled saline-only enemas are eligible.
Eye Care	Contact lens care, eyeglass repair kits	Products used to maintain corrective lenses and frames are eligible. Post-surgical eye protection is eligible.
Family Planning	EPT, Answer Quick & Simple Ovulation Test, ClearBlue Fertility Monitor	Pregnancy, ovulation and fertility kits are eligible. Dietary supplement-only products are not eligible.
First Aid Dressings & Supplies	Band Aid, 3M Nexcare, J&J First Aid, non-sport tapes, Simply Saline Wound Wash.	Saline wound washes are eligible. Bandages impregnated or coated with a medicated product are eligible. Tapes and bandages indicated as "Athletic" or "Sport" are not eligible.
Foot Care Treatments	Un-medicated corn & callus cushions & pads, corn & callus remover implements; therapeutic insoles, orthotic inserts, arch supports, heel cups	Products that have a primary purpose to treat specific ailments are eligible; products for general use or comfort are dual-purpose.
Glucosamine &/or Chondroitin	Osteo-Bi-Flex, Cosamin D, Flex-a-min Nutritional Supplements	Glucosamine-only or main ingredient glucosamine products are eligible.
Head Lice Products	Nix Lice Comb, Rid Lice Comb	Combs, electronic devices are eligible. Preparations are not eligible.
Health Care Services	Urgent Care or Primary Care services provided by a licensed practitioner at an IIAS merchant	

Health Supports	ACE, Futuro, braces, elastic bandages, hot/cold therapy, orthopedic supports, rib belts, back braces, etc.	Waist shapers, tummy supports, work-related, athletic/sports products are dual-purpose.
Hearing Aid/Medical Batteries	Duracell, Energizer Hearing Aid Batteries	Multi-purpose batteries not eligible
Home Health Care (limited segments)	Elevated toilets, commodes, limb/joint protectors, medical/nutritional IV products, urinals/bedpans, traction, specialized braces & supports, ostomy, mastectomy products, urological, respiratory (excluding general air filters), electrotherapy, mobility (canes, walkers, rollators, wheelchairs), wound care, incontinence, diagnostics (stethoscopes, thermometers, bp monitors), medication dosers/organizers and medical alerts (jewelry, alarms, etc.) are eligible.	Bathroom safety, nutritional foods/liquids, positioning & support (backrests, pillows, etc.), patient room supplies, physical therapy, aids for daily living, drug & alcohol tests are dual-purpose. General rule applies that these products may be used as part of the aging process which is not considered a medical condition. Accessories not related to the actual function of equipment, such as cup holders, totes and baskets, are dual-purpose. See Dual-Purpose Home Health Care section.
Hot & Cold Therapy	ACE Hot/Cold Compress, Cara Ice Bag, Bed Buddy Back Wrap, Kaz Heating Pad, ThermaCare Heat Wrap	Freezer or instant cold packs, microwave or instant hot packs/pads, ice bags and electric heating pads are eligible. Medicated pads are not eligible.
Incontinence Protection	Attends, Depend, Prevail, GoodNites, UnderJams	Skin care, cleansing products and diapers/training pants are dual-purpose.
Lip Balms – Sun Care	Banana Boat SPF 50, Bullfrog Water Armor SPF30	Lip balms which are part of a sun care line and have an SPF15+ and state UVA/UVB are eligible. General moisturizers with SPF are dual-purpose.
Mouth Guards	Dentek, Night Guard	Night mouth guards are eligible. Sports guards are not eligible.
Nasal Moisturizers & Washes	Neilmed Neti Pot & solutions, Ocean Saline Spray, Simply Saline	Products that are saline and primarily for moisturizing but may contain added aloe, menthol or eucalyptus, etc. are eligible. Decongestants & homeopathics are not eligible.
Prenatal Vitamins	Stuart Prenatal, Nature's Bounty Prenatal Vitamins	
Reading glasses and maintenance accessories	Foster Grant Reading Glasses, Apex Eye Glass Repair Kit, BL Sight Saver Lens Cloths	Accessories used to maintain corrective lenses and frames are eligible. Chains, cases, etc. are not eligible.
Sun Protection (SPF 15 & above) and “Broad Spectrum”)	Coppertone SPF15+, Banana Boat SPF 15+, Cerave SPF 30, No-Add Sport Stick SPF50	Primary use must be for protection against skin cancer and premature skin aging with indication of UVA and UVB protection (broad spectrum) and 15 and above (15+). Products that are primarily moisturizers/cosmetic with a sun screen are dual-purpose.

TENS	Homedics Rapid+Relief, Icy Hot Smart Relief, Zewa Spa Buddy	TENS units and supplies are eligible.
Wart Removers – Cryo Products	Compound W Freeze Off, Dr Scholl's Freeze Away, Wartner	Only non-medicated, freeze-method products are eligible.
Vaccinations	Flu Shots, Pneumonia Vaccinations	

Dual-purpose (Not Included in Eligible Product List):

Category	Example	Reimbursement Use
Allergy Pillows, Mattress Covers, Air Purifiers, Filters, etc.	Allerease Pillow Cover, Allergy Control Bedding, Honeywell HEPA Allergan Remover Air Purifier	To treat allergies diagnosed by physician
Anti-bacterial Hand Sanitizers	Purell, Nexcare, Germ-X	Personal use component; but/for test must be established
Baby Diapers	Huggies, Pampers, Pullups	To treat juvenile incontinence or medical condition
Baby Formulas/Nutritionals	Pediasure, Progestimi, Enfamil RTFI	Only specialty formulas/nutritionals are covered if medically necessary and authorized by medical practitioner. Only the excess cost between regular formula and the specialized formula may be eligible under an employer's plan.
Compression Hosiery and Accessories	Jobst, TED, Futuro – 20-30 or below, garters, care kits, fixatives, etc.	Most of these products primary purpose is for general health or mild medical treatments at compressions 20-30 or below. They are dual-purpose/ineligible but may be reimbursed for the cost over "regular" socks/hosiery if a LOMN is submitted.
Cough, Cold & Flu dietary supplements	Airborne, Hall's Defense, Germ Defense Alka-Seltzer Immunity	Products that are merely dietary supplements and marketed as such, including those claiming to "support the immune system" (i.e. Airborne), are not covered (dual-purpose). Cold preventative products which are "proven to lessen the severity" or "reduce the duration" of colds or flu are covered. These include homeopathic, natural products, some herbals and some forms of zinc.
Diabetes Nutritionals	Glucerna, Boost Glucose	To treat symptoms of diabetes when recommended by physician

Diabetes Personal Care & Supplies (includes diabetes skin care, cough & cold and socks)	Diabet-X Therapeutic Body Lotion, Diaderm Foot Cream, Diabetic Tussin, Dr. Comfort Diabetes Socks, Jobst Sensifit Socks	Personal care is generally not covered; must test or treat a specific symptom or condition of Diabetes. Diabetes socks are dual-purpose/ineligible but may be reimbursed for the cost over "regular" socks/hosiery if a LOMN is submitted
Dietary Supplements	All dietary supplements including multiple vitamins, minerals, essential fatty acids (fish oil), oy, enzymes, amino acids, etc.	Dietary supplements, including herbals & botanicals are dual-purpose (exception: glucosamine & prenatal vitamins).
Drug & Alcohol Testing Kits	First Check Drug Testing, Alcohawk Breathalyzer	Diagnostics of illegal activities are not eligible
Ear plugs	Mack's, Flents	To treat medical condition (presence of middle/inner ear tubes) diagnosed by physician
Exercise Equipment	Treadmill, exercise bike, pedalers, weights, hand exercisers	Exercise equipment is dual purpose in support of general health or a medical condition
Face/Respiratory Masks - medical grade or commercial/consumer	3M Cold weather, pollen/dust filtering masks	Products used for, cold weather, dust/pollen may also be used for work/general health needs.
Feminine Moisturizing	Replens, Rephrase	To treat vaginal dryness caused by medical condition
Feminine Protection (Pads & Liners)	Kotex, Always, Stayfree	They are ordinarily considered as being used to maintain general health and for personal care. They are dual-purpose if used for post-surgery or child birth
First Aid Burn & Scar Treatments & Skin Protectants (petroleum jelly)	Aloe, Mederma, Neosporin Scar Solution, Vaseline Jelly	Most are cosmetic in nature or have general use purposes.
Fluoride Treatments	Gel-Kam	To treat medical condition diagnosed by physician & not for general oral care
Food Thickeners	Thick-It	Personal use component; but/for test must be established
Foot Insoles and Cushioning	Insoles, Heel & Arch, Dr. Scholl's Air Pillo, Odor Eaters	General use or comfort products are dual-purpose. Products must treat specific ailment to be eligible.
Gloves (Rubber & Cotton)	Cara Cotton Gloves, Curad Vinyl Gloves, Tronex Latex Gloves	Protective gloves of any type & cotton beauty gloves are dual-purpose.
Hair Growth Products	Rogaine	To treat symptom of medical condition diagnosed by physician
Health Supports – Athletic, Sports or Work Related	ACE Work Belt, Curad Sports Tape	Any products with a primary purpose of sports or work/industrial are dual-purpose.
Herbals & Botanicals	Echinacea, ginkgo biloba, garlic	Dietary supplements, including herbals & botanicals are dual-purpose (exception: glucosamine & prenatal vitamins).

Home Health Care (limited segments)	Including but not limited to: Bathroom safety, nutritional foods/liquids, positioning & support (backrests, pillows, etc.), patient room supplies, physical therapy, aids for daily living, drug & alcohol tests.	General rule applies that these products may be used as part of the aging process which is not considered a medical condition. Accessories not related to the actual function of equipment, such as cup holders, totes and baskets, are dual-purpose. Home Health Care is dual-purpose other than what is indicated in the Home Health Care eligibility section.
Incontinence Personal Care (Including perineal cleansers, moisturizers and general skin protectants)	Aloe Vesta 2n1, Ca-Rezz Wash, Sween Cream	Personal care and treatments are not eligible.
Lip Balms - Moisturizers	Aquaphor SPF, Dermatone SPF23	Those with a primary purpose of moisturizing but have an SPF of 15+ and state UVA/UVB. (Lip balms with sunscreen that are part of a sun care line are eligible)
Magnifying Glasses	BL Sight Saver Magnifying Glass, Flents Wallet Size Magnifying Glass	
Medical Nutritionals	Resource, Peptamen, Nutren	Satisfies normal nutritional needs and does not treat a specific condition
Medicated & Specialty Soaps	Basis Bar, Cetaphil Cleansing Bar	To treat skin condition diagnosed by physician
Minerals	Calcium Carbonate, Ferrous Sulfate, etc.	Under narrow circumstances, they will be eligible if used to treat medical condition or at-risk for illness diagnosed by physician
Nasal Strips & Snore Relief	Breathe Right	To treat sleep apnea or improper breathing diagnosed by physician
Nutritional Foods	Ensure, Boost	To treat medical condition diagnosed by physician & not for general health
Probiotics and Prebiotics	Culturelle, Florastor	To treat digestive condition and recommended by physician & not for general digestive health
Skin Care - Therapeutic Hand & Body	Eucerin, Aquaphor, Amlactin	To treat or remedy a skin condition diagnosed by physician. Lotions with SPF are primarily used as moisturizers and are dual-purpose.
Therapeutic Shampoo & Scalp Treatments (Medicated)	Nizoral, Neutrogena T-Gel	To treat skin/scalp condition for short duration diagnosed by physician
Vaporizers & Humidifiers and Accessories	Vicks, Sunbeam, Kaz	Covered if used to treat illness; not covered for normal household use
Vitamins	Vitamin A, C, D, E, multi-vitamin, lutein eye vitamin	Under narrow circumstances, they will be eligible if used to treat medical condition or at-risk for illness diagnosed by physician
Weight Control Supplements	Alli, Slim Fast	To treat obesity diagnosed by physician

OTC Medicines and Drugs (Not Included in Eligible Product List):

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Acid Controllers	Pepcid AC, Zantac, Prilosec	
Acne Medications	Clearasil, OXY	
Allergy & Sinus	Alavert, Benadryl, Claritin, Sudafed	
Antibiotic Products	Bacitracin, Neosporin, triple antibiotic ointment	
Anti-Diarrheals	Imodium, Kaopectate	
Anti-Gas	Gax-X, Phazyme	Dietary Supplement gas products/enzymes are dual-purpose
Antifungal (Foot)	Lamisil, Lotrimin	
Anti-Itch & Insect Bite Remedies	Caladryl, Lanacane, Sarna, hydrocortisone	
Antiparasitic Treatments	Nix, Rid, lice treatments	
Antiseptics & wound cleansers	Rubbing alcohol, peroxide, epsom salt, Betadine, Hibiclens	Saline-only wound cleaners are eligible.
Baby Electrolytes and dehydration	Pedialyte, Enfalyte	Baby Electrolytes and dehydration
Baby Rash Ointments & Creams	Desitin, Aveeno Baby	Includes petroleum jelly merchandised and marketed for baby rash
Baby Teething Pain	Baby Orajel, Anbesol Baby Oral Gel	
Cold Sore Remedies	Abreva, Herpecin, Orajel	Only medicated products are covered
Contraceptives (non-condom products)	Encare Inserts, VCF Film, Plan B Tablet	OTC drugs or medicated spermicide-only products are not eligible. Condoms (male or female) with spermicide are eligible.
Cough, Cold & Flu	Robitussin, Theraflu, Vicks, Halls, Cepacol, Zicam, Cold-Eeze	Cold preventative products which are "proven to lessen the severity" or "reduce the duration" of colds or flu are covered. These include homeopathic, natural products, some herbals and some forms of zinc. Products that are merely dietary supplements and marketed as such, including those claiming to "support the immune system" (i.e. Airborne), are not covered. Hand sanitizers in cold not covered.
Denture Pain Relief	Orajel Denture Pain Relief Gel, Benzodent Cream	
Digestive Aids	Lactaid, Lactase, Beano	Digestive aids that are Dietary Supplements are dual purpose.
Ear Care	Medicated ear drops, Debrox, Similasin	
Eye Care	Visine, Refresh Tears	
Feminine Antifungal and Anti-itch	Monistat, Gyne-Lotrimin, Vagisil, Soothing Care	

Fiber Laxatives (bulk forming)	Benefiber, Fibercon, Metamucil (powder or pills)	Covered when used to treat a medical condition for short duration; bars and drinks that are "nutritional foods" for help with regularity are not covered (dual-purpose)
First Aid Burn Remedies	Dermoplast, Solarcaine	Must contain an antiseptic or pain reliever, 100% aloe is not covered (dual-purpose)
Foot Care Treatment	Corn & callus treatments, wart removers	Products that treat specific ailments are eligible; products for general use or comfort are not eligible (dual-purpose)
Hemorrhoidal Preparations	Preparation H, Tucks	
Homeopathic Remedies	Boiron and Hyland products	Homeopathic products are classified as drugs under the Food, Drug & Cosmetic Act and fall under the same criteria as other OTC Medicines.
Incontinence Protection & Treatment Products (Includes anti-fungals)	Calmoseptine, Baza Anti-fungal Cream	Skin and cleansing products not covered (dual-purpose)
Laxatives (non-fiber)	Dulcolax, Ex-Lax, Miralax	Stimulant, saline, lubricant, etc (non-fiber)
Motion Sickness	Dramamine, Bonine	Acupressure products are eligible.
Medicated Nasal Sprays, Drops & Inhalers	Afrin Spray	
Oral Remedies or Treatments (Includes Saliva substitutes, mouth sore treatments, dental repair)	Salivart, Anbesol, Orajel, Dentemp	Only dry mouth remedies that are saliva substitutes are covered (gels, sprays, etc. not mouthwash, rinses, toothpaste)
Pain Relief Oral & Topical	Tylenol, Advil, Midol, Bayer Aspirin, Aspercreme, Ben-Gay, Icy Hot	Medicated topical pain relievers that contain menthol, eucalyptus, capsaicin, trolamine salicylate, etc. are not covered. (Air-activated heat patches are covered.)
Medicated Respiratory Treatments and Vapor Products	Primatene, Bronkaid, medicated Vics Vapor Rub	Includes asthma medication; vaporizers and humidifiers are dual-purpose.
Skin treatments	Psoriasin, MG217, Dermarest Eczema	Medical expense as long as intended purpose is to treat existing skin conditions like eczema, psoriasis, rosacea, etc. (as opposed to mere prevention)
Sleep Aids & Sedatives	Unisom, Nytol, Sominex	
Smoking Deterrents	Nicoderm, Nicorette	
Stomach Remedies	Mylanta, Maalox, Tums	

Other Ineligible Products

Category	Example	Comment
Baby Toiletries, Baby Oil, Powder, Lotions & Creams	Johnson's Baby oil/Powder, Aveeno Baby Lotion	

Category	Example	Comment
Beauty Shampoos, Conditioners, Hair Treatments& Hair Coloring	Pantene, Suave, Dove, Aveeno Nourishing Treatment, Clairol Hair Color	
Cosmetics	Revlon, CoverGirl	
Deodorants	Speed Stick, Degree	
Facial Cleansers	Neutrogena Deep Clean, Dove Facial Cleanser	
Feminine Cleansing Products	Massengill, Summer's Eve	
Foot Grooming (Includes Implements, beauty & comfort, moisturizers, odor & wetness)	Pedifix Foot File, O'Keefe's Foot Cream, Desenex Foot/Sneaker Spray	Non-medicated
Hair Removal & Bleaches	Nair, Veet	
Hand & Body Cleansing	Dove, Dial soap	
Lip Preparations	ChapStick, lip balm	
Oral Care (Includes toothpaste, toothbrush, mouthwash, breath remedies)	Crest, Colgate, Scope, Listerine, Binaca	Will not qualify even if a dentist recommends a special product to treat a medical condition like gingivitis. These are primarily used to maintain general health
Shaving & Men's Grooming	Gillette, Schick	
Skin Care (Includes moisturizers, hand & body, bath products)	Aquaphor Ointment, Cococare Lotion, Dr Teal Bath Salt	
Sport Energy Liquids, Bars, etc.	Gatorade, EAS drinks/bars	
Sugar & Salt Substitutes	Equal, Splenda	
Sun Tanning	Banana Boat Deep Tan Oil SPF4, Coppertone SPF 10,	Sun tan lotion, after sun products that are less than SPF 15 and/or that do not offer "Broad Spectrum" coverage, do not meet the minimum FDA standard for prevention of skin cancer or premature aging

3. Reporting items to include or delete

SIGIS members can use the Missing Product Form available at www.sig-is.org to request items to be added or deleted. Incomplete information will not be considered.

4. List Availability

The list is generally available by the 9th business day of each month. Items for the List Review Committee to be considered for addition or deletion from the SIGIS List must be submitted by the 1st business day of each month to be considered for that month's updates.

5. Notes:

It has been reported that some merchants are unable to include a SIGIS eligible healthcare product that may also be eligible for purchase via the Food Stamp program. Should this present a problem for any merchants, it is recommended that they should eliminate it from the SIGIS data and classify it for

Food Stamp eligibility, as the consumer may submit the item for manual reimbursement from their flexible spending or health reimbursement arrangement account.

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