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## IMPORTANT NOTICE: A Change to your Prescription Drug Coverage

Dear TRICARE Beneficiary:

As of November 01, 2023, **TARPEYO**, a prescription medication you're taking, is no longer covered by TRICARE. It has moved to a non-covered drug status and is no longer available through military treatment facility pharmacies or TRICARE Pharmacy Home Delivery. If you continue to take the medication, you'll be required to obtain the medication from a retail pharmacy and to pay 100% of its cost.

If you are no longer taking the above medication, then you don't need to do anything at this time.

### If you are taking this drug, what should you do?

1. Review the enclosed information called "Options for You and Your Doctor to Consider."  
*This document shows the medication that is no longer covered, preferred alternatives, and associated cost information.*
2. Discuss this information with your doctor to see which of the following options is best for you:
  - Switch your prescription to a preferred alternative medication.
  - Continue your non-covered prescription by obtaining at a retail pharmacy and pay 100% of the cost of the medication.

### Why the change?

The Defense Health Agency regularly reviews medications and has determined the medication mentioned above has little to no clinical benefit compared to other medications that are just as effective and cost less.

### Who should you contact if you have questions?

If you have any questions about your pharmacy benefit or you need help, please visit [militaryrx.express-scripts.com](http://militaryrx.express-scripts.com) or call 1.877.363.1303.

Sincerely,

Jay Peloquin, PharmD, BCPS  
Director, Clinical Account Management  
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## Options for You and Your Doctor to Consider

As of November 01, 2023, **TARPEYO** is completely excluded from the TRICARE benefit. Any prior authorization (PA) or medical necessity (MN) your medication currently has no longer applies. You will pay 100% of the medication cost if you continue to fill your prescription of your non-covered medication. The cost you pay for your non-covered medication will not apply to your TRICARE catastrophic cap. Carefully read the information below to understand your options.

### Switch to a preferred medication.

Preferred Medication(s)	Military Treatment Facility	Home Delivery	Retail Network Pharmacy
	<u>Your cost</u> (up to a 90-day supply)		
<b>Generic Medications:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Budesonide EC (Capsule, Delayed And Extended Release)</li> <li>• Methylprednisolone (Tablet)</li> <li>• Prednisone (Solution, Tablet)</li> </ul>	\$0	\$12	\$42

### Continue taking your current non-covered medication.

Non-Covered Medication(s)	Military Treatment Facility	Home Delivery	Retail Network Pharmacy
	<u>Your cost</u>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tarpeyo™ (Capsule, Delayed Release enteric coated)</li> </ul>	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE	100% of the cost of the drug.

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