



Washington State Health Care Authority
Prescription Drug Program

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Dear Interested Party,

Based on recommendations by the Washington State Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee, the Health Care Authority, Uniform Medical Plan (UMP), and the Department of Labor & Industries (L&I) have named the following drugs as preferred in their respective therapeutic classes on the Washington State Preferred Drug List (PDL), effective January 1, 2025:

Insomnia Drugs reviewed 12/13/2023		Agency Coverage	
Ingredient Name	Label Name of Preferred Product	L&I	UMP
eszopiclone	eszopiclone tablet	No	Yes
ramelteon	ramelteon tablet	Yes	Yes
zaleplon	zaleplon capsule	Yes, acute use only	Yes
zolpidem tartrate	zolpidem tartrate sublingual	PA required, acute use only	Yes
	zolpidem tartrate tablet	Yes, acute use only	Yes
	zolpidem tartrate ER	No	Yes

The effect of this recommendation is to make eszopiclone preferred on the WA PDL.

Each agency will use the common PDL according to its benefit structure. You may view the current PDL on our [website](#).

If you have other questions or comments regarding this announcement, please contact Leta Evaskus at (360) 725-1188 or by email at leta.evaskus@hca.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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