

# DrugDex: Empowering health plans with trusted compendium insights

For health plans, validating drug information is key to ensuring appropriate care for health plan members and supporting informed decision-making for reimbursement. DrugDex®, the trusted, comprehensive drug reference tool from Micromedex®, provides health plans with the information they need to make evidence-based coverage decisions, improve cost management, and ensure compliance with regulatory requirements.

## Compendium status since 2008

DrugDex is an officially recognized compendium by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) since 2008. This compendium status recognizes DrugDex as an authoritative source for use in the determination of a “medically-accepted indication” of drugs and biologicals used off-label in an anticancer chemotherapeutic regimen.<sup>1</sup> That makes DrugDex a trusted resource for health plans in making formulary decisions, and reimbursement and coverage determinations, particularly for medically-accepted off-label drug uses.

## Benefits to health plans

DrugDex helps health plans validate drug information, leading to:

- **Informed decisions:** providing evidence to support formulary medication choices, and assess drug utilization (prior authorization, step therapies, clinical pathways)
- **Improved cost management:** helping optimize drug costs by providing reliable information on efficacy and alternative treatments
- **Compliance with regulatory requirements:** ensuring alignment with CMS guidelines and other regulatory bodies, reducing the risk of non-compliance

### Key features:



#### Comprehensive drug information

Detailed drug monographs include clinical pharmacology, dosing, contraindications, and place-in-therapy



#### Extensive off-label recommendations and study information

Supports health plan policy and guideline creation for treatments that are not FDA approved, but constitute a medically recognized standard of care



#### Ratings and recommendations for all indications

Supports critical decisions with the at-a-glance rating system for strength of evidence, efficacy, and strength of recommendation



#### Customizable reports

Data and reports can be customized to meet specific health plan needs



#### System integration

DrugDex can be seamlessly integrated into health plan systems, including electronic health records (EHRs) and decision support tools

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1. <https://www.cms.gov/medicare/coverage/determination-process/basics/compendia-1861-t2-anti-cancer>