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## **Good News!**

***Did you know that effective March 1, 2026, your diabetes or menopausal hormone therapy may be government funded?***

On March 6, 2025, the Province of BC and the Government of Canada signed an agreement for the implementation of national pharmacare in BC, with the federal government providing up to \$670 million in funding over three years. Under the agreement, 100% coverage for eligible diabetes medications, including for Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes, and hormone replacement therapy (HRT) – now called menopausal hormone therapy (MHT) – will begin in BC on March 1, 2026.

Some diabetes medications and MHTs will be partially covered. A pharmacist or prescriber can often change a partially covered prescription (e.g., brand name) to an equally safe and effective product that is 100% covered (e.g. generic) under the [Low Cost Alternative \(LCA\) program](#). Generics can cost 15% to 90% less than brands. The LCA program supports wise use of drug coverage funding.

Click here for the list of medications and conditions for coverage:

- [Plan NP diabetes medications](#)
- [Plan NP menopausal hormone therapy](#)

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