Per CMS Medicaid Drug Rebate Program Release No. 155, bulk chemicals are substances which, when used in the manufacturing of a drug, become the active ingredient of the drug product. As such, they do not meet the definition of covered outpatient drugs as defined in section 1927(k)(2) of the Social Security Act. However, bulk chemicals may be considered in rare circumstances if prescribed for an FDA-approved indication and/or medically accepted indication supported in official compendia, as referenced in the Description of Covered Services. Prior authorization is required.

All rules, regulations, limitations, and exclusions set forth in the Pharmacy Services manual, Chapter 518 apply also to bulk chemicals.

Following are the Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (API) covered under West Virginia Medicaid:

- Baclofen
- Captopril
- Enalapril
- Hydrocortisone
- Hydroxyprogesterone
- Metoprolol
- Nystatin
- Propranolol
- Sodium Benzoate
- Spironolactone
- Tacrolimus

Contact the Rational Drug Therapy Program (RDTP) at 1-800-847-3859 for requesting prior authorization of these services.