

**To:** Pharmacy Network  
**From:** IEHP Pharmaceutical Services Department  
**Date:** May 12, 2026  
**Subject: Now Available: Interchangeable ustekinumab-aaуз (biosimilar Stelara) -  
Please Stock and Dispense**

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\*\*\*Correction to fax sent on 04/30/2026\*\*\*

Inland Empire Health Plan (IEHP) is pleased to inform you that the **interchangeable ustekinumab-aaуз (biosimilar Stelara)**, is now available. This drug is available through the IEHP DualChoice (HMO D-SNP) formulary with prior authorization. Pharmacists may substitute to an interchangeable biosimilar without Prescriber prescription.

Biosimilar medications are **FDA-approved, clinically equivalent**, and offer a **cost-effective solution** that supports both member affordability and lowering healthcare costs.

**Action Requested:**

1. **Order and stock ustekinumab-aaуз (biosimilar Stelara)** as soon as possible.
2. **Dispense ustekinumab-aaуз (biosimilar Stelara)** in place of the brand when clinically appropriate.

We value your collaboration and ongoing commitment to help our members achieve and sustain optimal health.

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