

Brand Medications Requiring Use of Generics First

You can save money by using safe, effective generic medications when possible. According to your prescription benefit plan, you will have to try one or two generic medication(s) first* before certain brand-name medications will be covered. The chart below shows you which drugs require the use of generics first. This chart only provides a sample list of generic drug options and may not include all drugs available.

Drug Class <i>Condition Treated**</i>	Step 1: You may have to try one or two* of these generic medications first:	Step 2: Before you can try one of these brand-name drugs:
ACE Inhibitors/Angiotensin II Receptor Antagonists (ARBs)/ Direct Renin Inhibitors/ Combinations <i>High Blood Pressure</i> <small>* Please note. A member's Plan determines whether one or two generics must be tried first.</small>	amlodipine-benazepril benazepril/benazepril HCTZ candesartan HCTZ captopril/captopril HCTZ enalapril/enalapril HCTZ eprosartan 600 mg fosinopril/fosinopril HCTZ irbesartan/irbesartan HCTZ lisinopril/lisinopril HCTZ losartan/losartan HCTZ moexipril/moexipril HCTZ quinapril/quinapril HCTZ ramipril trandolapril trandolapril-verapamil ext-rel valsartan HCTZ	Benicar/Benicar HCT Edarbi Edarbyclor Micardis/Micardis HCT Tekturna/Tekturna HCT Teveten 400 mg/Teveten HCT
Acne / Topical <i>Skin</i>	benzoyl peroxide clindamycin topical clindamycin-benzoyl peroxide erythromycin topical erythromycin-benzoyl peroxide sodium sulfacetamide sodium sulfacetamide-sulfur	Acanya Akne-Mycin Azelex NeoBenz Micro
Antipsychotics <i>Mental Health</i>	olanzapine quetiapine risperidone ziprasidone	Abilify Fanapt Invega Latuda Saphris This preferred select brand drug does not require use of a generic first: Seroquel XR
Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia-Alpha Blockers <i>Prostate</i>	alfuzosin ext-rel doxazosin tamsulosin terazosin	Cardura XL Rapaflo

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Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia-5 Alpha Reductase Inhibitors/Combinations <i>Prostate</i>	finasteride ** tamsulosin also considered a Covered Generic Alternative for Jalyn	Avodart Jalyn**
Beta Agonists, Short Acting <i>Asthma</i>	<i>(generic not available in class; use of a preferred select brand is required first)</i>	Maxair Proventil HFA Ventolin HFA Xopenex HFA This preferred select brand drug does not require use of a generic first: ProAir HFA
Bisphosphonates/Combinations <i>Osteoporosis</i>	alendronate ibandronate	Actonel Atelvia Binosto Fosamax Plus D
Cholinesterase Inhibitors <i>Alzheimer's Disease</i>	donepezil galantamine rivastigmine	Aricept 23 mg
COX-2 Inhibitors/Nonsteroidal Anti-Inflammatory (NSAIDs)/Combinations <i>Pain and Inflammation</i> <i>* Please note. A member's Plan determines whether one or two generics must be tried first.</i>	diclofenac sodium delayed-rel misoprostol ibuprofen meloxicam naproxen (Additional generic NSAIDs available)	Cambia Celebrex Duexis Flector Nalfon Naprelan CR Pennsaid Voltaren Gel Zipsor
Fibrates <i>High Triglycerides</i>	fenofibrate fenofibrate micronized gemfibrozil	Fenoglide Lipofen Triglide Trilipix
HMG-CoA Reductase Inhibitors (HMGs or Statins)/Combinations <i>High Cholesterol</i>	amlodipine-atorvastatin atorvastatin fluvastatin lovastatin pravastatin simvastatin	Advicor Altoprev Crestor (excluding 40 mg) Livalo Simcor Vytorin

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Nasal Steroids <i>Allergies</i>	flunisolide nasal fluticasone nasal triamcinolone acetonide spray	Beconase AQ Dymista Nasonex Omnaris Qnasl Rhinocort Aqua Veramyst Zetonna
Ophthalmic/Prostaglandins <i>Glaucoma</i>	latanoprost	Lumigan Travatan Z Zioptan
Proton Pump Inhibitors (PPIs) <i>Stomach Acid</i> <small>* Please note. A member's Plan determines whether one or two generics must be tried first.</small>	lansoprazole omeprazole omeprazole-sodium bicarbonate pantoprazole	Aciphex Dexilant Nexium Prilosec Packets Protonix Packets Zegerid Powder for Oral Susp
Selective Serotonin Agonists/Combinations <i>Migraine</i>	naratriptan rizatriptan sumatriptan	Alsuma Axert Frova Relpax Sumavel Dosepro Treximet
Serotonin Norepinephrine Reuptake Inhibitors (SNRIs) <i>Depression</i>	venlafaxine venlafaxine ext-rel	Cymbalta Pristiq
Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors (SSRIs) <i>Depression</i>	citalopram escitalopram fluoxetine fluvoxamine/ fluvoxamine ext-rel paroxetine/paroxetine ext-rel sertraline	Pexeva Viibryd
Sleeping Agents <i>Insomnia/Sleep Problems</i>	zaleplon zolpidem zolpidem ext-rel	Edluar Intermezzo Lunesta Rozerem Silenor Zolpimist

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Urinary Antispasmodics <i>Overactive Bladder/Incontinence</i> <i>* Please note. A member's Plan determines whether one or two generics must be tried first.</i>	oxybutynin/oxybutynin ext-rel tolterodine trospium trospium ext-rel	Detrol LA Enablex Gelnique Myrbetriq Oxytrol Toviaz Vesicare

*Please note. A member's Plan determines whether the member must try one or two generics before a brand name drug is allowed in select drug classes.

**This list indicates the common uses for which the drug is prescribed. Some medicines are prescribed for more than one condition. Brand-name drugs not listed here may be covered by your plan without the use of a generic first. Information provided here is not a substitute for medical advice or treatment.

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