

Brand Medications Requiring Use of Generic(s) 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 drugs:	These preferred select brand drugs do not require use of a generic first:
ACE Inhibitors/Angiotensin II Receptor Antagonists (ARBs)/ Direct Renin Inhibitors/ Combinations* <i>High Blood Pressure</i>	amlodipine-benazepril benazepril/benazepril HCTZ candesartan/candesartan HCTZ captopril/captopril HCTZ enalapril/enalapril HCTZ eprosartan fosinopril/fosinopril HCTZ irbesartan/irbesartan HCTZ lisinopril/lisinopril HCTZ losartan/losartan HCTZ olmesartan/olmesartan HCTZ quinapril/quinapril HCTZ ramipril telmisartan/telmisartan HCTZ trandolapril trandolapril-verapamil ext-rel valsartan/valsartan HCTZ	Edarbi Edarbyclor Tekturna/Tekturna HCT	<i>Preferred select brand not available in class</i>
Acne/Topical <i>Skin</i>	benzoyl peroxide clindamycin solution clindamycin-benzoyl peroxide dapsone 5% erythromycin solution erythromycin-benzoyl peroxide sulfacetamide sodium	Aczone 7.5% Azelex Clindagel Fabior Riax	<i>Preferred select brand not available in class</i>
Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia- Alpha blockers <i>Prostate</i>	alfuzosin ext-rel doxazosin dutasteride dutasteride-tamsulosin finasteride tamulosin terazosin	Cardura XL Rapaflo	<i>Preferred select brand not available in class</i>
Beta Agonists, Short Acting <i>Asthma</i>	albuterol inhalation solution levalbuterol tartrate CFC-free aerosol	Proventil HFA Ventolin HFA	ProAir HFA ProAir RespiClick

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Bisphosphonates/Combinations <i>Osteoporosis</i>	alendronate ibandronate risedronate	Binosto Fosamax Plus D	<i>Preferred select brand not available in class</i>
COX-2 Inhibitors/Nonsteroidal Anti-Inflammatory (NSAIDs)/Combinations* <i>Pain and Inflammation</i>	celecoxib diclofenac sodium/misoprostol fenoprofen ibuprofen meloxicam naproxen/naproxen ext-rel (additional generic NSAIDs available)	Cambia Tivorbex Vivlodex Zipsor Zorvolex	<i>Preferred select brand not available in class</i>
Fibrates <i>High Triglycerides</i>	fenofibrate fenofibric acid gemfibrozil	Triglide	<i>Preferred select brand not available in class</i>
HMG-CoA Reductase Inhibitors (HMGs or Statins)/Combinations <i>High Cholesterol</i>	amlodipine-atorvastatin atorvastatin ezetimibe-simvastatin fluvastatin lovastatin niacin ext-rel pravastatin simvastatin	Altoprev Flolipid Livalo	<i>Preferred select brand not available in class</i>
Nasal Steroids/Combinations <i>Allergies</i>	flunisolide fluticasone mometasone	Beconase AQ Dymista Omnaris Qnasl Zetonna	<i>Preferred select brand not available in class</i>
Ophthalmic/Prostaglandins <i>Glaucoma</i>	bimatoprost sol 0.03% latanoprost	Lumigan Travatan Z Zioptan	<i>Preferred select brand not available in class</i>
Proton Pump Inhibitors (PPIs)* <i>Stomach Acid</i>	esomeprazole lansoprazole delayed-rel omeprazole delayed-rel pantoprazole delayed-rel rabeprazole	Dexilant Prilosec Packets Protonix Packets	<i>Preferred select brand not available in class</i>

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Selective Serotonin Agonists/ Combinations <i>Migraine</i>	almotriptan eletriptan frovatriptan naratriptan rizatriptan sumatriptan zolmitriptan	Onzetra Xsail Zembrace Symtouch	<i>Preferred select brand not available in class</i>
Serotonin Norepinephrine Reuptake Inhibitors (SNRIs) <i>Depression</i>	desvenlafaxine ext-rel duloxetine delayed-rel venlafaxine/venlafaxine ext-rel	Fetzima	<i>Preferred select brand not available in class</i>
Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors (SSRIs) <i>Depression</i>	citalopram escitalopram fluoxetine fluvoxamine/fluvoxamine ER paroxetine HCl /paroxetine HCl ER sertraline	Pexeva Trintellix Viibryd	<i>Preferred select brand not available in class</i>
Sleeping Agents <i>Insomnia/Sleep Problems</i>	eszopiclone zaleplon zolpidem/zolpidem ext-rel zolpidem sublingual	Belsomra Edluar Rozerem Silenor Zolpimist	<i>Preferred select brand not available in class</i>
Urinary Antispasmodics* <i>Overactive Bladder/Incontinence</i>	darifenacin ext-rel oxybutynin/oxybutynin ext-rel tolterodine/tolterodine ext-rel trospium/trospium ext-rel	Gelnique Myrbetriq Oxytrol Toviaz Vesicare	<i>Preferred select brand not available in class</i>

*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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