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 brandname 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 Condition Treated**	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 High Blood Pressure * Please note. A member's Plan determines whether one or two generics must be tried first.	amlodipine-benazepril benazepril/benazepril HCTZ candesartan/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 400mg/Teveten HCT
Acne / Topical Skin	benzoyl peroxide clindamycin topical clindamycin-benzoyl peroxide erythromycin topical erythromycin-benzoyl peroxide sodium sulfacetamide sodium sulfacetamide-sulfur	Acanya Akne-Mycin Azelex NeoBenz Micro
Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia- Alpha Blockers Prostate	alfuzosin ext-rel doxazosin tamulosin terazosin	Cardura XL Rapaflo
Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia- 5 Alpha Reductase Inhibitors/Combinations Prostate	finasteride ** tamsulosin also considered a Covered Generic Alternative for Jalyn	Avodart Jalyn**
Bisphosphonates/Combinations Osteoporosis	alendronate ibandronate	Actonel Atelvia Binosto Fosamax Plus D



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COX-2 Inhibitors/Nonsteroidal Anti-Inflammatory (NSAIDs)/ Combinations Pain and Inflammation * Please note. A member's Plan determines whether one or two generics must be tried first.	diclofenac sodium delayed-rel misoprostol ibuprofen meloxicam naproxen (Additional generic NSAIDs available)	Cambia Celebrex Duexis Flector Nalfon Naprelan CR Pennsaid Voltaren Gel
		Zipsor
Fibrates High Triglycerides	fenofibrate fenofibrate micronized gemfibrozil	Fenoglide Lipofen Triglide
HMG-CoA Reductase Inhibitors (HMGs or Statins)/Combinations High Cholesterol	amlodipine-atorvastatin atorvastatin fluvastatin lovastatin pravastatin simvastatin	Altoprev Crestor (excluding 40 mg) Liptruzet Livalo Simcor Vytorin
Nasal Steroids Allergies	flunisolide nasal fluticasone nasal triamcinolone acetonide spray	Beconase AQ Dymista Nasonex Omnaris Qnasl Rhinocort Aqua Veramyst Zetonna
Ophthalmic/Prostaglandins Glaucoma	latanoprost travoprost	Lumigan Travatan Z Zioptan
Proton Pump Inhibitors (PPIs) Stomach Acid * Please note. A member's Plan determines whether one or two generics must be tried first.	lansoprazole omeprazole omeprazole-sodium bicarbonate pantoprazole	Dexilant Nexium Prilosec Packets Protonix Packets Zegerid Powder for Oral Susp
Selective Serotonin Agonists/ Combinations Migraine	naratriptan rizatriptan sumatriptan zolmitriptan tabs	Alsuma Axert Frova Relpax Sumavel Dosepro Treximet



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Serotonin Norepinephrine Reuptake Inhibitors (SNRIs)	venlafaxine venlafaxine ext-rel	Fetzima Pristig
Depression	verilaraxine ext-rei	Pristiq
Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors (SSRIs) Depression	citalopram escitalopram fluoxetine fluvoxamine/ fluvoxamine ext-rel	Pexeva Viibryd
	paroxetine/paroxetine ext-rel sertraline	
Sleeping Agents	zaleplon	Edluar
Insomnia/Sleep Problems	zolpidem	Intermezzo
	zolpidem ext-rel	Lunesta
		Rozerem
		Silenor Zolpimist
Urinary Antispasmodics	oxybutynin/oxybutynin ext-rel	Detrol LA
Overactive Bladder/Incontinence	tolterodine	Enablex
	trospium	Gelnique
	trospium ext-rel	Myrbetriq
		Oxytrol
* Please note. A member's Plan determines		Toviaz
whether one or two generics must be tried first.		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.

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