

Brand-Name 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	Drugs Requiring Step Therapy: Before you can try one of these brand name drugs	Covered Generic Options: You may have to try one or two* of these generic medications first **
ACE Inhibitors / Angiotensin II Receptor Antagonists (ARBs) / Direct Renin Inhibitors / Combinations <i>Please note: A Member's Plan determines whether one or two generics must be tried first</i>	Tekturma HCT	aliskiren amlodipine-benazepril benazepril/benazepril HCTZ candesartan/candesartan HCTZ captopril enalapril/enalapril HCTZ fosinopril/fosinopril HCTZ irbesartan/irbesartan HCTZ lisinopril/lisinopril HCTZ losartan/losartan HCTZ olmesartan/amlodipine HCTZ olmesartan/olmesartan HCTZ quinapril/quinapril HCTZ ramipril telmisartan/telmisartan HCTZ trandolapril trandolapril-verapamil ext-rel valsartan/valsartan HCTZ
Acne / Topical	Azelex Fabior	benzoyl peroxide clindamycin phosphate gel 1% (except NDC [^] 68682046275) clindamycin phosphate lotion 1% clindamycin solution clindamycin-benzoyl peroxide dapsone gel erythromycin solution erythromycin-benzoyl peroxide sulfacetamide sodium
Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia / Alpha Blockers	Cardura XL	alfuzosin ext-rel doxazosin dutasteride dutasteride-tamsulosin finasteride silodosin tamsulosin terazosin
Bisphosphonates / Combinations	Binosto Fosamax Plus D	alendronate ibandronate risedronate
Migraine, Selective Serotonin	Onzetra Xsail	almotriptan

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Agonists / Combinations	Zembrace Symtouch	eletriptan frovatriptan naratriptan rizatriptan sumatriptan sumatriptan/naproxen zolmitriptan
Nasal Steroids / Combinations	Ryaltris	azelastine/fluticasone flunisolide fluticasone mometasone
Prostaglandin Analogues and Combinations	Lumigan Rocklatan Vyzulta	bimatoprost 0.03% latanoprost tafluprost travoprost
Serotonin Norepinephrine Reuptake Inhibitors (SNRIs)	Fetzima	desvenlafaxine ext-rel duloxetine delayed-rel venlafaxine/venlafaxine ext-rel
Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors (SSRIs)	Trintellix	citalopram escitalopram fluoxetine (except fluoxetine tablet 60 mg) fluvoxamine/fluvoxamine ext-rel olanzapine / fluoxetine paroxetine HCl/paroxetine HCl ext-rel sertraline
Sleeping Agents	Belsomra Dayvigo Quviviq	doxepin tabs eszopiclone ramelteon zaleplon zolpidem/zolpidem ext-rel
Urinary Antispasmodics <i>Please note: A Member's Plan determines whether one or two generics must be tried first</i>	Gelnique	darifenacin ext-rel fesoterodine oxybutynin/oxybutynin ext-rel solifenacin tolterodine/tolterodine ext-rel trospium/trospium ext-rel

*Please note: A plan 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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