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 may 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***Condition Treated\*\** | **Step 1:** You will 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: |
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| **ACE Inhibitors/Angiotensin II Receptor Antagonists (ARBs)/Direct Renin Inhibitors/Combinations\****High Blood Pressure* | amlodipine-benazeprilbenazepril/benazepril HCTZcandesartan/candesartan HCTZcaptopril/captopril HCTZ enalapril/enalapril HCTZeprosartan fosinopril/fosinopril HCTZirbesartan/irbesartan HCTZlisinopril/lisinopril HCTZlosartan/losartan HCTZolmesartan/olmesartan HCTZquinapril/quinapril HCTZramipriltelmisartan/telmisartan HCTZtrandolapriltrandolapril-verapamil ext-relvalsartan/valsartan HCTZ | Tekturna/Tekturna HCT | *Preferred select brand not available in class* |
| **Acne/Topical***Skin* | benzoyl peroxideclindamycin solutionclindamycin-benzoyl peroxidedapsone 5%erythromycin solutionerythromycin-benzoyl peroxidesulfacetamide sodium  | AcanyaAczone 7.5%AzelexClindagelFabiorRiaxTretin-X | *Preferred select brand not available in class* |
| **Antipsychotics***Mental Health* | aripiprazoleclozapineolanzapinepalperidone ext-relquetiapine/quetiapine ext-relrisperidoneziprasidone | AdasuveFanaptLatudaRexultiSaphrisVraylar | *Preferred select brand not available in class*  |
| **Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia-Alpha Blockers***Prostate* | alfuzosin ext-reldoxazosindutasteridedutasteride-tamsulosinfinasteridetamulosinterazosin | Cardura XLRapaflo | *Preferred select brand not**available in class* |
| **Bisphosphonates/Combinations** *Osteoporosis* | alendronateibandronaterisedronate | BinostoFosamax Plus D | *Preferred select brand**not available in class* |
| **COX-2 Inhibitors/Nonsteroidal Anti-Inflammatory (NSAIDs)/Combinations\****Pain and Inflammation* | celecoxibdiclofenac sodium/misoprostol fenoprofen 400 mgibuprofenmeloxicamnaproxen/naproxen ext-rel (500 mg)*(additional generic NSAIDs available)* | Cambiafenoprofen 200 mgFenortho 200 mgFlectorTivorbexVivlodexZipsorZorvolex | *Preferred select brand**not available in class* |
| **Fibrates***High Triglycerides* | fenofibratefenofibric acidgemfibrozil | Triglide | *Preferred select brand**not available in class* |
| **Ophthalmic/Prostaglandins** *Glaucom*a | latanoprost | Travatan ZZioptan | *Preferred select brand not available in class* |
| **Proton Pump Inhibitors (PPIs)\****Stomach Acid* | esomeprazolelansoprazole delayed-relomeprazole delayed-relpantoprazole delayed-relrabeprazole  | DexilantPrilosec Packets  | *Preferred select brand not available in class* |
| **Selective Serotonin Agonists/Combinations***Migraine* | almotriptaneletriptanfrovatriptannaratriptanrizatriptansumatriptanzolmitriptan  | Onzetra XsailSumavel DoseproTreximetZembrace Symtouch | *Preferred select brand not available in class* |
| **Serotonin Norepinephrine Reuptake Inhibitors (SNRIs)***Depression* | desvenlafaxine ext-relduloxetine delayed-relvenlafaxine/venlafaxine ext-rel | Fetzima | *Preferred select brand not available in class* |
| **Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors (SSRIs)***Depression* | citalopramescitalopram fluoxetinefluvoxamine/fluvoxamine ext-relparoxetine HCI /paroxetine HCI ext-relsertraline | PexevaTrintellixViibryd | *Preferred select brand not available in class* |
| **Sleeping Agents***Insomnia/Sleep Problems* | eszopiclone zaleplonzolpidem/zolpidem ext relzolpidem sublingual | BelsomraEdluarSilenorZolpimist | *Preferred select brand not available in class* |
| **Urinary Antispasmodics\****Overactive Bladder/Incontinence* | darifenacin ext-reloxybutynin/oxybutynin ext-reltolterodine/tolterodine ext-reltrospium/trospium ext-rel | GelniqueMyrbetriqVesicare | *Preferred select brand not available in class* |

\*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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