

What is the difference between a generic and brand-name medication?

Not much, except for the name and price. The products contain the same active ingredients. Generics, however, may cost between 20 to 60% less than the cost of the brand name medication.

How can I get a generic medication?

Request a generic medication when talking with your doctor about your prescription(s). And you can always remind your pharmacist that you want a generic rather than the brand-name medication before they fill your prescription.

Why do generic and brand-name medications have different names?

Generic medications are called by their chemical name, while brand names are assigned by the manufacturer and generally have a trademark.

Are new brand-name medications better than older generics? Aren't generic medications inferior?

Many new medications come to the market annually; however, new does not always mean better. In many situations, generics remain the medications of choice. Also, generics have a longer safety record than newer medications. Finally, price does NOT reflect quality for generic or brand-name medications. Since generic medications generally sell for less than brand-name medications, they are falsely considered inferior to their brand-name counterparts.

Do all brand-name medications have generic equivalents?

No. Some medications are protected by patent and are manufactured by only one company. Generic versions are available only after the patent expires (in about 20 years), and often at a lower price. Current estimates suggest that about half the medications on the market are available in a generic form.

What if I have a question about how my medication is classified (as a brand or generic?)

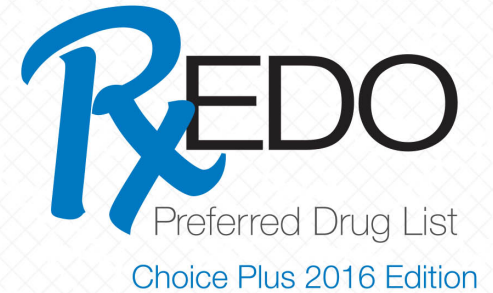
If you have a question about whether a medication is classified correctly as a brand (or generic), please call the number on the back of your insurance card and we will thoroughly research your question. We will review information from the FDA, the pharmaceutical manufacturer, and your pharmacy if necessary. We will use that information to determine whether the medication is a brand or generic.

Formulary Disclaimer:

Please be sure your prescription drug benefit is offered through RxEDO before consulting this list. Coverage for some drugs may be limited to specific dosage forms and/or strengths. Your benefit design determines what is covered for you and what your co-payment will be. Please refer to your benefit materials for specific coverage information. The medications listed on this formulary are subject to change pursuant to the formulary management activities of RxEDO. The presence of a medication on this formulary does not guarantee that you as a plan member will be prescribed that drug by your primary care physician or contracting provider for a particular medical condition. These medications may be subject to Prior Authorization. As new generics become available the corresponding brand name drug will no longer be considered a preferred agent.

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Dear Member:

Please review this Preferred Drug List (PDL) with your physician at the time he or she writes your prescription. This PDL, which includes both brand and generic medications, is not a complete list, but a summary of the most commonly prescribed medications. Your plan's benefit design determines which medications are included or excluded from coverage. Please refer to your benefit information for applicable copays and medication coverage.

Dear Physician:

Please refer to this list when prescribing for your patient. The medications listed and all generic equivalents are Preferred Drug Choices under the patient's prescription benefit. The PDL is not intended as a substitute for your professional judgment; however, when you prescribe Preferred Drugs for your patients, out-of-pocket expense and plan costs may be lowered. When applicable, generic prescribing is optimal. As generic equivalents become available in the marketplace brand named drugs may be removed from this list.

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You can access this list via our member portal at www.rxedo.com

Preferred Drug List

Allergy

azelastine
budesonide
cyproheptadine
DYMISTA
fexofenadine
fluticasone
hydroxyzine
ipratropium nasal spray
mometasone furoate
NASONEX
QNASL
triamcinolone acetonide

Antibiotics

amoxicillin/clavulanate
ampicillin
cefaclor/CD
cefadroxil
cefdinir
cefepodoxime
cefuroxime
cephalexin
ciprofloxacin
CIPRODEX
dicloxacillin
doxycycline
erythromycin
metronidazole
minocycline
nitrofurantoin
penicillin VK
sulfamethoxazole/
trimethoprim
tetracycline

Antidepressants

amitriptyline
bupropion
citalopram
clomipramine
desipramine
doxepin
duloxetine
FETZIMA
fluoxetine
fluvoxamine
imipramine
mirtazapine
nortriptyline
paroxetine
PRISTIQ
sertraline
trazodone
venlafaxine
VIIBRYD

Anti-Fungals

CRESEMBA
fluconazole
griseofulvin ultramicrosized

itraconazole
ketoconazole
MYCELEX

Anti-Inflammatory

celecoxib
choline mag trisalicilate
diclofenac
diflunisal
ENBREL
etodolac
fenopufen
HUMIRA
ibuprofen
indomethacin
ketoprofen
ketorolac
meloxicam
nabumetone
naproxen
oxaprozin
piroxicam
salsalate
SIMPONI
STELARA
sulindac
tolmetin

Anti-Migraine Agents

RELPAX
rizatriptan
sumatriptan succinate
zolmitriptan

Anti-Virals

ATRIPLA
acyclovir
BARACLUDE
CRIXIVAN
famciclovir
HARVONI
PEGASYS
PREZISTA
SOVALDI
TAMIFLU
TRUVADA
valacyclovir

Asthma/COPD

ADVAIR
albuterol
ASMANEX
BREQ ELLIPTA
COMBIVENT
cromolyn inh. sol.
DALIRESP
DULERA
FORADIL
ipratropium inh. sol.
metaproterenol
montelukast sodium

PROAIR
PULMICORT
QVAR
SEREVENT
SPIRIVA
SYMBICORT
TUDORZA PRESSAIR
VENTOLIN
zafirlukast

Atypical Antipsychotics

aripiprazole
LATUDA
quetiapine fumarate
risperidone
SEROQUEL XR
ziprasidone HCL

Blood Glucose Diagnostics

ONE TOUCH
SURESTEP
NOVOFINE NEEDLES

Cholesterol Reduction

atorvastatin
cholestyramine
CRESTOR
fenofibrate
gemfibrozil
LIPOFEN
lovastatin
pravastatin
SIMICOR
simvastatin
VYTORIN
WELCHOL
ZETIA

CNS-Anxiety

alprazolam
buspirone
clorazepate
diazepam
lorazepam
oxazepam

CNS-Nausea

prochlorperazine
promethazine
trimethobenzamide

CNS-Parkinson's

amantadine
AZILECT
benztropine
bromocriptine
carbidopa/levodopa/CR
entacapone
selegiline

CNS-Seizures

carbamazepine/ER
clonazepam

divalproex/ER
gabapentin
lamotrigine
LYRICA
POTIGA
phenytoin
primidone
VIMPAT
valproic acid

CNS-Stimulants

amphetamine mixtures
DAYTRANA
dextroamphetamine
methylphenidate
NUVIGIL
STRATTERA
QUILLIVANT XR
VYVANSE

Estrogens

CENESTIN
COMBIPATCH
DIVIGEL
ENJUVA
estradiol
estropipate
MINIVELLE
PREMARIN
PREMPRO
PREMPHASE
VAGIFEM

Gastrointestinal

APRISO
cimetidine
CREON
famotidine
lansoprazole
LIALDA
LINZESS
nizatidine
omeprazole
PENTASA
ranitidine
RELISTOR
sucralfate

Growth Hormones

GENOTROPIN
HUMATROPE
NORDITROPIN

Heart Disease/Blood Pressure

acebutolol
amlodipine
atenolol
AZOR
benazepril/HCTZ
BENICAR/HCT
bisoprolol
captopril/HCTZ

carvedilol
diltiazem
enalapril/HCTZ
ENTRESTO
fosinopril
furosemide
hydrochlorothiazide (HCTZ)
labetalol
digoxin
lisinopril/HCTZ
metolazone
metoprolol/succinate
moexipril
nadolol
nifedipine
nimodipine
nisoldipine
propranolol
quinapril/HCTZ
sotalol/AF
spironolactone
TEKAMLO
TEKTURNA/HCT
telmisartan/HCT
TRIBENZOR
torsemide
triamterene/HCTZ
VALTURNA
verapamil

Insulin

HUMALOG
HUMULIN
LANTUS
LEVEMIR
TOUJEO SOLOSTAR

Multiple Sclerosis Agents

AMPYRA
AVONEX
EXTAVIA
GILENYA
REBIF
TECFIDERA

Oral Anti-Diabetic Agents

glipizide/ER
glyburide/micronized/metformin
GLYXAMBI
JANUMET
JANUVIA
JANUVIA XR
JENTADUETO
metformin/ER
pioglitazone HCL
repaglinide
TRADJENTA
TRULICITY

Osteoporosis Agents

alendronate sodium

etidronate disodium
FORTEO
ibandronate sodium
raloxifene
vitamin D3

Ophthalmics

ALPHAGAN P
BEPREVE
brimonidine tartrate
cromolyn sodium
ketorolac tromethamine
latanaprost
PATADAY
PATANOL
PAZEO
RESTASIS
TRAVATAN Z
travoprost

Overactive Bladder

GELNIQUE
MYRBETRIQ
TOVIAZ
VESICARE
Oxybutynin
tolterodine tartrate

Prostate Agents

doxazosin
finasteride
RAPAFLO
terazosin

Sleep Aids

Flurazepam
eszopiclone
temazepam
triazolam
zolpidem tartrate

Topical Preparations

mometasone furoate
acitretin
TAZORAC

\$- Generic drugs (listed in all lowercase letters) have the lowest copay; \$\$- Preferred brand drugs (listed in all CAPITAL letters) have the middle copay;

\$\$\$- Non-preferred brand drugs (not listed in this handout) have the highest copay