

# Commonly Prescribed Drug List October 2009

## INTRODUCTION

### How to Use This List

This list features select generic and brand-name drugs. It can serve as a guide for you and your provider to use when choosing a drug that meets your needs. To help you quickly identify the least expensive drugs, each category is organized by generic and preferred brand.

### How to Lower Your Out-of-Pocket Costs

You can keep your out-of-pocket costs as low as possible by following these simple steps and using this chart as a guide:

- 1. Over-the-counter drugs (\$):** First ask your provider if there is an over-the-counter (OTC) drug that may be appropriate for you. OTC drugs are not included in this list, but may offer a lower-cost alternative to prescription drugs.
- 2. Generic drugs (\$\$):** If an OTC drug is not available, ask your provider to prescribe a generic drug, whenever feasible. Generic drugs are generally the lowest cost to you and your plan. Additional generic drugs not included on this list are also available.
- 3. Preferred brand-name drugs (\$\$\$):** If a generic is not available, ask your provider to consider prescribing a preferred brand-name drug from this list, which may provide cost savings to you when selected instead of a nonpreferred brand-name drug. Additional preferred brand-name drugs not included on this list are also available.
- 4. Nonpreferred brand-name drugs (\$\$\$\$):** These are the most expensive option and are not included on this list, and may also be subject to Prior Authorization. Choosing one of these drugs may result in higher out-of-pocket costs. For a more complete list, please see the formulary on our website. Drugs in the Prior Authorization program are subject to change without notice.

Please note: This is not a complete list of covered drugs. Your benefit coverage may not be limited to this list or the select therapeutic categories shown. In some cases, drugs on this list may not be covered by your plan or may have certain coverage limits. Refer to your benefit materials for specific coverage information.

## ANTIDIABETIC AGENTS

### INSULINS-----

#### Preferred Brand Drugs

Humalog	Humulin
Lantus	Levemir
Novolin	Novolog

### ORAL-----

#### Generic Drugs

Acarbose	glimepiride
glipizide/XL	glyburide
metformin/XR	metformin/glyburide

#### Preferred Brand Drugs

ActoPlus Met	Actos
Avandamet	Avandaryl
Avandia	Duetact
Glyset	Prandin
Starlix	

### OTHER-----

#### Preferred Brand Drugs

Symlin

## ANTI-HISTAMINE / DECONGESTANTS

### NASAL CORTICOSTEROIDS-----

#### Generic Drugs

flunisolide	fluticasone
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#### Preferred Brand Drugs

Nasonex

### NASAL ANTIHISTAMINES-----

#### Preferred Brand Drugs

Astelin	Astepro
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### OTHER NASAL AGENTS-----

#### Generic Drugs

ipratropium

## ANTI-INFECTIVE AGENTS (ORAL)

### ANTIBIOTICS-----

#### Cephalosporins . . . . .

##### Generic Drugs

cefadroxil	cefdinir
cefprozil	cephalexin

#### Macrolides/Ketolides . . . . .

##### Generic Drugs

azithromycin	clarithromycin/ER
erythromycins	

##### Preferred Brand Drugs

Ketek

#### Penicillins . . . . .

##### Generic Drugs

amoxicillin/clavulanate	amoxicillin
ampicillin	dicloxacillin
penicillin v potassium	

##### Preferred Brand Drugs

Augmentin XR

#### Quinolones . . . . .

##### Generic Drugs

ciprofloxacin/XR

##### Preferred Brand Drugs

Levaquin

#### Sulfonamides . . . . .

##### Generic Drugs

erythromycin/sulfisoxazole	
sulfamethoxazole-trimethoprim/DS	

#### Tetracyclines . . . . .

##### Generic Drugs

doxycycline hyclate	minocycline
tetracycline	

### Antifungal Agents-----

#### Generic Drugs

fluconazole	griseofulvin
itraconazole	ketoconazole oral
nystatin oral	terbinafine

### ANTIVIRALS-----

#### Generic Drugs

acyclovir	amantadine
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#### Preferred Brand Drugs

Valtrex

## AUTONOMIC AND CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM

### ANALGESICS AND NONSTEROIDAL ANTI-INFLAMMATORY-----

#### Generic Drugs

diflunisal	ibuprofen
indomethacin/SR	nabumetone
naproxen/EC	piroxicam
salsalate	sulindac

### ANTICONSULSANTS-----

#### Generic Drugs

carbamazepine/XR	ethosuximide
gabapentin	lamotrigine
levetiracetam	phenytoin
valproic acid	zonisamide

#### Preferred Brand Drugs

Felbatol	Gabitril
Tegretol XR	

### ANXIOLYTICS, SEDATIVES, AND HYPNOTICS-----

#### Generic Drugs

alprazolam	buspirone
chlordiazepoxide	clorazepate
diazepam	lorazepam
temazepam	triazolam
zaleplon	zolpidem

### CEREBRAL STIMULANTS-----

#### Generic Drugs

amphetamine/d-amphetamine/XR  
methylphenidate/SR

#### Preferred Brand Drugs

Concerta	Strattera
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### MIGRAINE AGENTS-----

#### Generic Drugs

dihydroergotamine mesylate  
ergotamine/caffeine  
isometheptene/APAP/dichloralphenazone  
sumatriptan

#### Preferred Brand Drugs

Maxalt	Migranal
Zomig	

### PSYCHOTHERAPEUTIC AGENTS-----

#### Antidepressants . . . . .

##### Generic Drugs

amitriptyline	bupropion/SR/XL
citalopram	fluoxetine
mirtazapine	paroxetine
sertraline	venlafaxine

#### Preferred Brand Drugs

Effexor XR	Lexapro
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**CARDIOVASCULAR AGENTS****ANGIOTENSIN II ANTAGONISTS-----**Preferred Brand Drugs

Avapro Diovan

**ANGIOTENSIN CONVERTING ENZYME****INHIBITORS-----**Generic Drugsbenazepril captopril  
enalapril lisinopril  
quinapril ramipril**ANTI-ADRENERGIC AGENTS –****BETA-BLOCKERS-----**Generic Drugsatenolol carvedilol  
labetalol metoprolol/ER  
pindolol propranolol/LA**ANTILIPEMICS-----**Generic Drugscholestyramine colestipol  
fenofibrate gemfibrozil  
lovastatin pravastatin  
simvastatinPreferred Brand DrugsLipitor Niaspan  
Tricor**CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKERS-----**Generic Drugsamlodipine diltiazem/SR/XR  
felodipine nifedipine SR  
verapamil/ER/SRPreferred Brand Drugs

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**COMBINATION ANTIHYPERTENSIVES-----**Generic Drugsamlodipine/benazepril benazepril/HCTZ  
bisoprolol/HCTZ captopril/HCTZ  
enalapril/HCTZ lisinopril/HCTZ  
quinapril/HCTZPreferred Brand DrugsAvalide Caduet  
Diovan HCT**CONTRACEPTIVES****MONOPHASIC-----**Generic Drugsapri levora  
low/ogestrel necon  
ocella sprintecPreferred Brand DrugsLo-Seasonique Lybrel  
Seasonique Yaz**BI-PHASIC-----**Generic Drugs

kariva necon

**TRI-PHASIC-----**Generic Drugsnecon tri-sprintec  
trivoraPreferred Brand Drugs

Ortho Tri-Cyclen Lo

**PROGESTIN ONLY-----**Generic Drugs

errin nora-be

**CONTRACEPTIVE DEVICES-----**Preferred Brand Drugs

NuvaRing Ortho Evra Patch

**DIAGNOSTICS****GLUCOSE TEST STRIPS-----**Preferred Brand DrugsAccu-Chek One Touch  
LifeScan and Roche product lines preferred**GASTROINTESTINAL AGENTS****ANTIULCER-----**Generic Drugscimetidine omeprazole  
ranitidine sucralfatePreferred Brand DrugsNexium Prevacid  
Prevacid Naprapac PrevPac**HORMONES****ESTROGENS-----**Generic Drugs

estradiol estropipate

Preferred Brand DrugsAlora Cenestin  
Climara Pro Estraderm  
Estring Menest  
Premarin Vagifem  
Vivelle/Dot**ESTROGEN AND PROGESTERONE****COMBINATIONS-----**Preferred Brand DrugsPrefest Premphase  
Prempro/Low Dose**SELECTIVE RECEPTOR MODULATORS-----**Preferred Brand Drugs

Evista

**OPHTHALMICS****ANTI-ALLERGIC AGENTS-----**Generic Drugs

ketotifen

Preferred Brand Drugs

Patanol

**ANTI-GLAUCOMA AGENTS-----**Generic Drugsbetaxolol brimonidine  
carbachol dipivefrin  
dorzolamide dorzolamide/timolol  
levobunolol pilocarpine  
timololPreferred Brand DrugsAlphagan P Azopt  
Betimol Betoptic S  
Travatan/Z Xalatan**RESPIRATORY / ASTHMA****ANTI-ASTHMATIC AGENTS-----****Corticosteroids . . . . .**Preferred Brand DrugsAsmanex Azmacort  
Flovent/HFA Pulmicort  
QVAR**Sympathomimetics . . . . .**Generic Drugsalbuterol metaproterenol  
terbutalinePreferred Brand DrugsForadil ProAir HFA  
Proventil HFA Serevent/Diskus  
Xopenex/HFA**OTHER RESPIRATORY/ASTHMA AGENTS-----**Generic Drugscromolyn sod soln ipratropium soln  
ipratropium/albuterolPreferred Brand DrugsAdvair Diskus Atrovent Inhaler  
Combivent Intal Inhaler  
Spiriva**THYROID AND ANTITHYROID AGENTS**Generic Drugslevothyroxine levoxyl  
liothyronine methimazole  
propylthiouracil thyroid  
unithroidPreferred Brand Drugs

Synthroid

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