

Brand Medications Requiring Use of a Generic First

You can save money by using safe, effective generic medications when possible. According to your prescription benefit plan, you will have to try a generic medication first before certain brand-name medications will be covered. The chart below tells you which kinds of drugs require you to use a generic first. This chart only provides a sample list of generic drug options and may not include all drugs available.

| Drug Class <i>Condition Treated*</i> | Step 1: You will have to try one of these generic medications first: | Step 2: Before you can try one of these non-preferred brand drugs: | These preferred select brand drugs do not require use of a generic first: |
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| Proton Pump Inhibitors (PPIs) <i>Stomach Acid</i> | esomeprazole lansoprazole delayed-rel omeprazole delayed-rel pantoprazole delayed-rel | Prilosec Packets | Dexilant |

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