



Brand-name drugs are just generics in disguise.SM

A reference guide of generic options to help you save money.

Saving money on prescription drugs is as easy as 1-2-3.

1. Check your medicine cabinet and use the space below to write down all the brand-name prescription drugs your family is taking.
2. Check the list* on the following pages to see if there are generic options for the drugs you've listed and write them down.
3. Share this list with your doctor or pharmacist and ask if a generic is right for you.

Brand-Name	Generic Options

* List reflects a sampling of available generic drug options. If you are taking a brand-name drug that is not listed, ask your doctor if there is a generic option available for your drug.



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If you're taking a brand-name prescription drug, this pamphlet will help you determine if there's a generic option available for you. You'll find that some brand-name drugs have an exact generic equivalent. Others have generic or over-the-counter alternatives that may provide an effective lower-cost option.

For example, Nexium® is not currently available in a generic form, but omeprazole (the generic of Prilosec®) and pantoprazole (the generic of Protonix®) are clinically proven to be a safe and effective treatments options for acid reflux or heartburn. And while Actonel® is not yet available as a generic, alendronate (the generic of Fosamax®) is an effective alternative to treat or prevent osteoporosis.

All generic and over-the-counter drugs are approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration (FDA) as safe and effective. But they cost a lot less than their brand-name counterparts.

Ask your doctor or pharmacist if a generic is right for you. That one quick question could save you hundreds of dollars.

Acid Reflux/Heartburn

Brand Name	Generic Equivalent	Generic Alternative
Aciphex	None	omeprazole, pantoprazole, lansoprazole
Dexilant	None	omeprazole, pantoprazole, lansoprazole
Nexium	None	omeprazole, pantoprazole, lansoprazole
Prevacid	lansoprazole	omeprazole, pantoprazole
Prilosec	omeprazole	lansoprazole, pantoprazole
Protonix	pantoprazole	omeprazole, lansoprazole
Zegerid	omeprazole/sodium bicarbonate	omeprazole, pantoprazole, lansoprazole

Arthritis/Pain

Brand Name	Generic Equivalent	Generic Alternative
Arthrotec	None	diclofenac in combination with misoprostol
Celebrex	None	ibuprofen, naproxen, meloxicam
Flector patch	None	diclofenac, naproxen, meloxicam
Mobic	meloxicam	ibuprofen, naproxen
Naprelan	None	ibuprofen, meloxicam, naproxen
Pennsaid	None	diclofenac, naproxen, meloxicam
Vimovo	None	any generic NSAID in combination with a generic PPI

Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia (BPH)

Brand Name	Generic Equivalent	Generic Alternative
Avodart	None	finasteride
Flomax	tamsulosin	alfuzosin, doxazosin, terazosin
Jalyn	None	finasteride and tamsulosin used in combination
Rapaflo	None	tamsulosin, doxazosin, terazosin
Uroxatral	alfuzosin	tamsulosin, doxazosin, terazosin

Depression

Brand Name	Generic Equivalent	Generic Alternative
Celexa	citalopram	fluoxetine, paroxetine, sertraline
Cymbalta	None	citalopram, fluoxetine, paroxetine, sertraline, bupropion, mirtazapine, venlafaxine, venlafaxine ER
Effexor	venlafaxine	venlafaxine ER
Effexor XR	venlafaxine ER	venlafaxine
Lexapro	escitalopram	citalopram, fluoxetine, paroxetine, sertraline
Paxil	paroxetine	citalopram, fluoxetine, sertraline
Paxil CR	paroxetine ER	citalopram, fluoxetine, paroxetine, sertraline
Pristiq	None	citalopram, fluoxetine, paroxetine, sertraline, bupropion, mirtazapine, venlafaxine, venlafaxine ER
Prozac	fluoxetine	citalopram, paroxetine, sertraline
Wellbutrin XL	bupropion XL	bupropion, bupropion SR
Zoloft	sertraline	citalopram, fluoxetine, paroxetine

*generic expected to be released in 2012

Migraine

Brand Name	Generic Equivalent	Generic Alternative
Amerge	naratriptan	sumatriptan
Axert	None	sumatriptan
Frova	None	sumatriptan
Imitrex	sumatriptan	None
Maxalt*	None	sumatriptan
Relpax	None	sumatriptan
Treximet	None	sumatriptan (can be used in combination with naproxen)

Overactive Bladder

Brand Name	Generic Equivalent	Generic Alternative
Detrol LA	None	oxybutynin, oxybutynin ER, trospium
Ditropan	oxybutynin	oxybutynin ER, trospium
Ditropan XL	oxybutynin ER	oxybutynin, trospium
Enablex	None	oxybutynin, oxybutynin ER, trospium
Gelnique	None	oxybutynin, oxybutynin ER, trospium
Oxytrol patch	None	oxybutynin, oxybutynin ER, trospium
Sanctura	trospium	oxybutynin, oxybutynin ER
Toviaz	None	oxybutynin, oxybutynin ER, trospium
Vesicare	None	oxybutynin, oxybutynin ER, trospium

High Blood Pressure

Brand Name	Generic Equivalent	Generic Alternative
Atacand	None	lisinopril, benazepril, quinapril, ramipril
Avapro	irbesartan	lisinopril, losartan, benazepril, quinapril, ramipril
Avalide	irbesartan/hydrochlorothiazide	lisinopril/HCTZ, losartan/HCTZ, benazepril/HCTZ, quinapril/HCTZ
Azor	None	benazepril and amlodipine (used in combination), lisinopril and amlodipine (used in combination), losartan and amlodipine (used in combination)
Benicar	None	lisinopril, losartan, benazepril, quinapril, ramipril
Benicar HCT	None	lisinopril/HCTZ, losartan/HCTZ, benazepril/HCTZ, quinapril/HCTZ
Bystolic	None	atenolol, bisoprolol, carvedilol, metoprolol ER
Caduet	atorvastatin/amlodipine	amlodipine used in combination with simvastatin, pravastatin or lovastatin
Coreg	carvedilol	metoprolol ER
Coreg CR	None	carvedilol, metoprolol ER
Cozaar	losartan	lisinopril, benazepril, quinapril, ramipril
Diovan*	None	lisinopril, losartan, benazepril, quinapril, ramipril
Diovan HCT*	None	lisinopril/HCTZ, losartan/HCTZ, benazepril/HCTZ, quinapril/HCTZ
Exforge*	None	benazepril and amlodipine (used in combination), lisinopril and amlodipine (used in combination), losartan and amlodipine (used in combination)

High Blood Pressure (continued)

Brand Name	Generic Equivalent	Generic Alternative
Hyzaar	losartan/HCTZ	lisinopril, benazepril, quinapril, ramipril
Lotrel	benazepril/amlodipine	benazepril and amlodipine (used in combination)
Micardis	None	lisinopril, losartan, benazepril, quinapril, ramipril
Micardis HCT	None	lisinopril/HCTZ, losartan/HCTZ, benazepril/HCTZ, quinapril/HCTZ
Sular	nisoldipine	felodipine, amlodipine, nifedipine

High Cholesterol

Brand Name	Generic Equivalent	Generic Alternative
Crestor	None	simvastatin, pravastatin, atorvastatin, lovastatin
Lescol/Lescol XL*	None	simvastatin, pravastatin, atorvastatin, lovastatin
Lipitor	atorvastatin	simvastatin, pravastatin, atorvastatin, lovastatin
Livalo	None	simvastatin, pravastatin, atorvastatin, lovastatin
Mevacor	lovastatin	simvastatin, pravastatin, atorvastatin
Pravachol	pravastatin	simvastatin, lovastatin, atorvastatin
Simcor	None	simvastatin, pravastatin, atorvastatin, lovastatin
Vytorin	None	simvastatin, pravastatin, atorvastatin, lovastatin
Zocor	simvastatin	pravastatin, lovastatin, atorvastatin

Osteoporosis

Brand Name	Generic Equivalent	Generic Alternative
Fosamax	alendronate	ibandronate
Fosamax D	None	alendronate (in combination with OTC vitamin D)
Actonel	None	alendronate, ibandronate
Atelvia	None	alendronate, ibandronate
Boniva	ibandronate	alendronate

Sleep Disorders

Brand Name	Generic Equivalent	Generic Alternative
Ambien	zolpidem	temazepam
Ambien CR	zolpidem ER	zolpidem, temazepam
Lunesta	None	zolpidem, temazepam
Sonata	zaleplon	zolpidem, temazepam
Rozerem	None	zolpidem, temazepam

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