

Over the Counter Equivalent Exclusion Program



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The prescription brand and generic drugs in the two left columns below may not be covered under your prescription drug benefit plan. If not, you can still purchase these prescription medications, but you will be responsible for the full cost. You may save money by choosing to purchase a product with the same active ingredient(s) that is available over the counter (OTC). These OTC options are listed in the third column below. Cost is only one factor in selecting a medication. Before making any changes to your current medication regimen, talk to your doctor about what is right for you.

Non-Covered Prescription Brand and Generic Drugs [†]		OTC Products with Equivalent Active Ingredients [§]	
These drugs are typically <u>not</u> covered. For questions about specific drugs, call the Pharmacy Program number on the back of your ID card.			
Prescription Brand Name*	Prescription Generic Name/Strength [‡]	Common OTC Brand Name [#]	Dosage Form
Albatussin	phenylephrine/dextromethorphan, 2.5 mg/5 mg per mL	Little Colds Decongestant Drops, 2.5 mg/5 mg per mL	drops
Allegra	fexofenadine [¶] 60 mg, 180 mg, 30 mg/5 ml	Allegra Allergy, Allegra Allergy Children's, Allegra ODT, Allegra Allergy Suspension	tabs, susp
Allegra-D 12 hr, 24 hr	fexofenadine/pseudoephedrine SR 60/120 mg, 180/240 mg	Allegra-D 24 hr Allergy	sustained-release tabs
Antivert	meclizine, 12.5 mg, 25 mg	Dramamine Non-Drowsy, Meclizine	tabs
Benzac, Desquam-X	benzoyl peroxide, 2.5%, 5%, 10%	Oxy-10, Panoxyl, Fostex BPO	bar, cream, gel, liq
Berocca Plus, Senetonic	multiple vitamins with minerals	Centrum, Centrum Silver	caps, liq, tabs
Brand name not available	loperamide hcl, 2 mg	Imodium-AD	tabs
Brand name not available	diphenhydramine hcl, 12.5 mg/5 mL	Benadryl, Diphenhydramine	elixir
Brand name not available	sodium chloride, 0.9%	Sodium Chloride 0.9%	neb soln
Codal DM	phenylephrine/pyrilamine/dextromethorphan, 5/8.33/10 mg per 5 mL	Codituss-DM, Codimal-DM	syrup
Deconamine, Klerist-D	chlorpheniramine/pseudoephedrine, 1/15 mg, 4/60 mg	Triaminic, Sudafed Plus	tabs, chew tabs
Despec	phenylephrine/guaifenesin, 5/100 mg per 5 mL	Rescon-GG	liq
Digesplen	digestive aids mixture	Karbozyme	enteric-coated tabs
Dometuss	pseudoephedrine/acetaminophen/dextromethorphan, 30/250/10 mg	Alka-Seltzer	caps
Drexafed, Dexaphen SA	dexbrompheniramine/pseudoephedrine, 6/120 mg	Drixoral Sinus	sustained-release tabs
FA-8	folic acid, 800 mcg	FA-8	tabs
Fungoid	clotrimazole, 1%	Lotrimin AF, Mycelex OTC	cream, powder, soln
Giltuss	phenylephrine/dextromethorphan/guaifenesin, 10/15/300 mg per 5 mL	Genetuss-2	liq
Glutaraldehyde	glutaraldehyde 25%	Glutaraldehyde	soln

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Guaifenesin PSE 60	guaifenesin pseudoephedrine 60	Mucinex D	tabs
Iberet-Folic 500, Vitafofol	iron with vitamins	Mult Folic 500, Geritol	tabs, controlled-release tabs
Keralyt	salicylic acid 6%	Keralyt	gel
Lac-Hydrin	lactic acid, 12%	Amlactin	cream, lotion
Lactinol-E	lactic acid with vitamin E 10%-3500 unit	Lactic Acid with Vitamin E	cream
Lamisil	terbinafine hcl, 1%	Lamisil AT	soln
Mentax	butenafine hcl, 1%	Lotrimin Ultra	cream
Mimyx	emollient	Cetaphil	cream
Motrin susp	ibuprofen, 100 mg/5 mL	Children's Motrin, Children's Advil	susp
Niacor	niacin, 500 mg	Niacin	tabs
Nicotine	nicotine transdermal	Nicoderm CQ	patch
Organidin NR	guaifenesin, 200 mg, 100 mg/5 mL	Guaifenesin	liq, tabs
PCCA Liposomal Base For Dehydrated Skin	cream base	Base Cream With Liposome	cream
Pepcid	famotidine, 20 mg	Pepcid AC	tabs
Perio-Select	stannous fluoride, 0.4%	Gel-Kam	gel
Ply Iron, Iferex	polysaccharide iron complex, 150 mg	Fe-Tinic, Ferrex 150	caps
Psorizide Ultra	homeopathic product	Loma Eczema	tabs
Radigel	wound dressing	Dermasyn	gel
Strong Iodine Solution	iodine, 5%	Lugol's	soln
Support 500, Udamine	specialty vitamin	Prostate One A Day, Centrum Performance	caps, tabs, controlled-release tabs
Tagamet	cimetidine, 200 mg	Tagamet HB	tabs
Texacort, Alacort, Cetacort, Nutracort	hydrocortisone, 1%	Cortizone 10	cream, lotion, oint, soln
Tussi-Organin	dextromethorphan/guaifenesin, 10/100 mg per 5 mL	Robitussin DM	liq, syrup
Zantac	ranitidine, 150 mg	Zantac 150 Maximum Strength	tabs
Zephrex	pseudoephedrine/guaifenesin, 60/400 mg	Congestac	tabs
Zegerid	omeprazole-sodium bicarbonate 20-1100 mg	Zegerid OTC	caps
Zyrtec	cetirizine 5 mg, 10 mg	Aller-Tec, cetirizine, Wal-Zyr	syrup, tabs

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