What is a prescription drug list?

Your prescription drug benefit plan is based on the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Montana (BCBSMT) drug list. It is a regularly updated list of drugs selected based on the recommendations of a committee of individuals from throughout the country who hold a medical or pharmacy degree. U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved drugs are chosen based on their safety, cost and how well they work. The Enhanced Drug List is a smaller version of the Basic Drug List. It includes mostly generic and select preferred brand drugs. The Balanced Drug List, Performance Drug List, Performance Select Drug List and 2019 Drug List (for Metallic plans) show all covered drugs. Drugs that are not shown on these lists are not covered. Major drug classes are covered on all drug lists. To find more information about your drug list, please call the number on the back of your ID card.

Why should I use the drug list?

Your copayment/coinsurance amount for covered preferred brand drugs is usually lower than for non-preferred brand drugs. If your benefits are based on the Basic or Enhanced Drug List, most medicines may be covered that are not on the drug list, but you may pay more out of pocket. If your benefits are based on the Balanced Drug List, Performance Drug List, Performance Select Drug List or 2019 Drug List (for Metallic plans), medicines that are not on these drug lists will not be covered. You will need to pay for the full cost of the medicine. The drug list is a reference for your doctor when prescribing medicines. But it is solely up to you and your doctor to decide the medicine that is best for you.

What are the advantages of using generic drugs?

Generics are recognized as safe and effective medicines. Generics often cost less than a brand drug. A generic can usually be substituted for a brand drug if it has the same active ingredients, the same strength and dosage form and produces the same results. Talk to your doctor or pharmacist to find out if a generic drug is available and right for you.

How do I know if a drug is on the drug list and what my cost will be?

The other side of this flier lists some commonly prescribed generic and preferred brand drugs. If a drug you are looking for is not on the list, search the drug list at bcbsmt.com or call the number on the back of your ID card.

Your prescription drug benefit plan and what tier the drug is on the drug list will determine the amount you may pay out of pocket. To find out what you will pay, visit bcbsmt.com or call the number on the back of your ID card.

What are dispensing limits?

Based on FDA-approved dosage regimens and manufacturer’s research, certain drugs have dispensing limits. This means that these drugs have a limit on how much medicine can be filled per prescription or in a given time span. For example, coverage for the osteoporosis drug Actonel® (risedronate) is limited to 30 tablets per 30 days because the FDA-approved labeling states that the recommended dose is one 5 mg oral tablet taken daily.

What if I have questions?

Call the number on the back of your ID card, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, or visit bcbsmt.com.
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## Commonly Prescribed Drugs

This list is a sample of commonly prescribed generic and preferred brand drugs. Refer to the BCBSMT prescription drug lists at [bcbsmt.com](http://bcbsmt.com) for a more comprehensive and up-to-date list. The online drug list (Balanced Drug List, Basic Drug List, Enhanced Drug List, Performance Drug List, Performance Select Drug List) is updated as often as quarterly, depending on your prescription drug benefit plan. The online 2019 Drug List (for Metallic plans) may be updated monthly with added drugs. The drug list may contain medications not covered under your prescription drug benefit plan. In addition, prescription versions of over-the-counter (OTC) medications may not be covered based on your prescription drug benefit plan. If you have questions about your prescription drug benefit, call the number on the back of your ID card.

**Preferred brand drugs are shown in all CAPITAL LETTERS. Generic drugs are shown in lower-case type. Drug trademarks and service marks are the property of their respective third-party owners.**

### ANTIHYPERTENSIVES

**Angiotensin Converting Enzyme (ACE) Inhibitors and Combinations**
- benazepril
- benazepril/hydrochlorothiazide
- captopril
- enalapril
- enalapril/hydrochlorothiazide
- fosinopril
- fosinopril/hydrochlorothiazide
- lisinopril
- lisinopril/hydrochlorothiazide
- moexipril
- moexipril/hydrochlorothiazide
- perindopril
- quinapril
- quinapril/hydrochlorothiazide
- ramipril
- trandolapril

**Angiotensin II Receptor Antagonists (ARBs) and Combinations**
- candesartan
- candesartan/hydrochlorothiazide
- irbesartan
- losartan/hydrochlorothiazide
- olmesartan
- olmesartan/hydrochlorothiazide
- telmisartan
- telmisartan/hydrochlorothiazide
- valsartan
- valsartan/hydrochlorothiazide

**Beta Blockers and Combinations**
- acebutolol
- atenolol
- atenolol/chlorthalidone
- bisoprolol
- carvedilol
- labetolol
- metoprolol succinate ext-release
- metoprolol tartrate
- nadolol
- pindolol
- propranolol ext-release
- propranolol tabs

**Calcium Channel Blockers and Combinations**
- amlodipine
- amlodipine/benazepril
- amlodipine/valsartan
- amlodipine/valsartan/hydrochlorothiazide
- diltiazem
- diltiazem ext-release
- felodipine ext-release
- nifedipine ext-release
- verapamil 40 mg, 80 mg, 120 mg
- verapamil ext-release

**ASTHMA / COPD**
- ADVAIR
- albuterol, 0.63 mg/3mL, 1.25 mg/3mL
- albuterol inhal soln, 0.083%, 0.5%
- albuterol syrup, tabs
- ANORA ELLIPTA
- ARNUNITY ELLIPTA
- ASMANEX
- BREO ELLIPTA
- budesonide
- DULERA
- FLOVENT DISKUS
- FLOVENT HFA
- INCURSE ELLIPTA
- ipratropium inhal soln
- ipratropium/albuterol
- levallbuterol
- montelukast
- PROAIR HFA
- PROAIR RESPICLICK
- QVAR
- SEREVENT DISKUS
- SPIRIVA HANDIHALER
- SPIRIVA RESPIMAT
- STILOTO RESPIMAT
- STRIVERDI RESPIMAT
- SYMBCORT
- terbutaline
- theophylline ext-release
- VENTOLIN HFA
- zafirlukast

**CHOLESTEROL**
- atorvastatin
- cholestyramine
- choline fenofibrate delayed-release
- colestipol
- ezetimibe
- fenofibrate
- fenofibrate micronized
- fenofric acid delayed-release
- gemfibrozil
- lovastatin
- niacin ext-release
- pravastatin
- rosuvastatin
- simvastatin

**DEPRESSION**
- amitriptyline
- bupropion
- bupropion ext-release
- citalopram
- clomipramine
- desipramine
- doxepin
duloxetine delayed-release
- escitalopram
- fluoxetine
- fluvoxamine
- imipramine
- mirtazapine
- nortriptyline caps
- paroxetine
- paroxetine ext-release
- phenelzine
- sertraline
- tranylcypromine
- trazodone
- venlafaxine
- venlafaxine ext-release caps
- venlafaxine ext-release tabs, 37.5 mg, 75 mg, 150 mg

**DIABETES**
- acarbose
- BAYER /ASCENCIA TEST STRIPS
- glimepiride
- glipizide
- glipizide ext-release
- glipizide/metformin
- GLUCAGON EMERGENCY KIT
- glyburide
- glyburide/metformin
- glyburide, micronized
- INVKAMET
- INVKAMET XR
- INVKANA
- JARDIANCE
- KOMBOGLYZE XR
- LANTUS
- LEVEMIR
- metformin
- metformin ext-release
- nateglinide
- NOVOLIN 70/30
- NOVOLIN N
- NOVOLIN R
- NOVOLOG
- NOVOLOG MIX 70/30
- pioglitazone
- pioglitazone/metformin
- repaglinide
- TOUJEO SOLOSTAR
- TRESIBA FLEXTOUCH
- VICTOZA