

# Responsible Steps Program Information\*

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<b>Allergy</b>		
Nasal Steroids	Beconase AQ, Dymista, Flonase, flunisolide, Nasacort AQ, Nasonex, Omnaris, Qnasl, Rhinocort Aqua, Xhance, Zetonna	Previous use of generic budesonide, fluticasone, mometasone or triamcinolone containing nasal inhaler
<b>Anti-Infectives</b>		
Oral Tetracycline Derivatives	Acticlate, Adoxa, Doryx, Doryx MPC, doxycycline single-source branded products, Monodox, Oracea, Targadox, Vibramycin	Previous use of both generic doxycycline <b>AND</b> minocycline capsules or tablets
	Minocin, minocycline extended-release (ER), minocycline single-source branded products, Solodyn, Ximino	Previous use of both generic doxycycline <b>AND</b> minocycline capsules or tablets  minocycline ER is <b>NOT</b> a prerequisite
<b>Central Nervous System</b>		
Antidepressant/Fibromyalgia Agents	Aplenzin, Celexa, desvenlafaxine ER (generic Khedezla), Effexor, Effexor XR, Fetzima, fluoxetine 60 mg, fluvoxamine ER, Forfivo XL, Khedezla, Lexapro, maprotiline, Olepto, Paxil, Paxil CR, Pexeva, Pristiq, Prozac, Prozac Weekly, Remeron, Remeron SolTab, Trintellix, venlafaxine ER brands, Viibryd, Wellbutrin, Wellbutrin SR, Wellbutrin XL, Zoloft	Previous use of a generic version of <b>ANY</b> of the following: bupropion, citalopram, desvenlafaxine succinate ER (generic Pristiq), duloxetine, escitalopram, fluoxetine, fluvoxamine, mirtazapine, paroxetine, sertraline, trazodone, venlafaxine, or venlafaxine ER
Antidepressant/Fibromyalgia Agents	Cymbalta, Irenka	Previous use of a generic version of: bupropion, citalopram, desvenlafaxine ER, duloxetine, escitalopram, fluoxetine, fluvoxamine, mirtazapine, paroxetine, sertraline, trazodone, venlafaxine, or venlafaxine ER; <b>OR</b> previous use of a generic version of amitriptyline, cyclobenzaprine, desipramine, gabapentin, imipramine, nortriptyline, or tramadol
	Lyrica, Savella	Previous use of a generic version of: amitriptyline, cyclobenzaprine, desipramine, duloxetine, gabapentin, imipramine, nortriptyline, or tramadol, depending on indication for use

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Atypical Antipsychotic Agents	Abilify, Abilify Discmelt, aripiprazole ODT, clozapine ODT, Clozaril, Fanapt, FazaClo, Geodon, Invega, Latuda, Rexulti, Risperdal, Risperdal M-Tab, Saphris, Seroquel, Seroquel XR, Versacloz, Vraylar, Zyprexa, Zyprexa Zydis	Previous use of <b>two or more*</b> generic versions of aripiprazole, clozapine, olanzapine, paliperidone, quetiapine, risperidone, or ziprasidone  *Latuda for the treatment of bipolar depression is an exception. For this indication only, the prerequisite drug is limited to either generic quetiapine <b>OR</b> olanzapine.
Gabapentin Extended-Release (ER)	Gralise, Horizant	Previous use of generic gabapentin
Insomnia Agents	Ambien, Ambien CR, Belsomra, Edluar, Intermezzo, Lunesta, Rozerem, Silenor, Sonata, Zolpimist	Previous use of a generic non-benzodiazepine hypnotic such as eszopiclone, zaleplon, or zolpidem
<b>Eye (Ophthalmic)</b>		
Antiglaucoma Agents (Rho Kinase Inhibitors)	Rhopressa	Previous use of a generic ophthalmic prostaglandin (e.g., latanoprost eye drops)
<b>Heart and Circulatory</b>		
Angiotensin Receptor Blockers (ARB)/Renin Inhibitors	Atacand, Atacand HCT, Avapro, Avalide, Azor, Benicar, Benicar HCT, Byvalson, Cozaar, Diovan, Diovan HCT, Edarbi, Edarbyclor, Exforge, Exforge HCT, Hyzaar, Micardis, Micardis HCT, Teveten, Tribenzor, Twynsta	Previous use of <b>ANY</b> of the following generic angiotensin receptor blockers either alone or as a component of a combination product: candesartan, eprosartan, irbesartan, losartan, olmesartan, telmisartan, or valsartan
	Tekturna, Tekturna HCT	Previous use of <b>EITHER</b> a generic angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor (ACEI) (e.g., benazepril, captopril, lisinopril, quinapril, ramipril) <b>OR</b> a generic angiotensin receptor blocker (i.e., candesartan, eprosartan, irbesartan, losartan, olmesartan, telmisartan, or valsartan) either alone or as a component of a combination product
Statins	Altoprev, FloLipid, Lescol, Lescol XL, Lipitor, Livalo, Mevacor, Pravachol, Vytorin, Zocor, Zypitamag	Previous use of a generic version of atorvastatin, fluvastatin, lovastatin, pravastatin, rosuvastatin, or simvastatin either as a single entity or combination product

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Fibrates	Antara, fenofibric acid, Fenoglide, Fibricor, Lipofen, Lofibra, Lopid, Tricor, Triglide, Trilipix	Previous use of generic fenofibrate or fenofibrate micronized
<b>Gastrointestinal</b>		
Proton Pump Inhibitors	Aciphex, Aciphex Sprinkle, Dexilant, esomeprazole strontium, Nexium, omeprazole/sodium bicarbonate, Prevacid, Prevacid Solutab, Prilosec, Protonix, Zegerid	Previous use of <b>two or more</b> generic versions of: esomeprazole, lansoprazole, omeprazole, pantoprazole, or rabeprazole  Nexium granules is allowed for children <18 years
Potassium Binders	Veltassa	Previous use of generic sodium polystyrene sulfonate powder
<b>Hormones, Diabetes and Related</b>		
Dipeptidyl-Peptidase 4 (DPP4) Inhibitors	Glyxambi, Januvia, Janumet, Janumet XR, Jentadueto, Jentadueto XR, Kazano, Kombiglyze XR, Nesina, Onglyza, Oseni, Qtern, Steglujan, Tradjenta	Current or previous use of brand or generic versions of insulin, metformin, chlorpropamide, glimepiride, glipizide, or glyburide alone or part of a combination product
Glucagon-Like Peptide 1 (GLP-1) Agonists	Adlyxin, Bydureon, Bydureon BCise, Byetta, Ozempic, Tanzeum, Trulicity, Victoza	Current or previous use of brand or generic versions of insulin, metformin, chlorpropamide, glimepiride, glipizide, or glyburide alone or part of a combination product
	Soliqua, Xultophy	<b>BOTH</b> of the following: Current or previous use of metformin alone or part of a combination product <b>AND</b> Current or previous use of at least one of the agents included in the requested combination agent: Soliqua – insulin glargine (Basaglar, Lantus, Toujeo) <b>OR</b> Adlyxin Xultophy - Tresiba <b>OR</b> Victoza
Glucose Monitor	Freestyle Libre System (reader and sensor)	Current use of rapid- or short-acting insulin

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Sodium-Glucose Co-Transport 2 (SGLT-2) Inhibitors	Farxiga, Invokamet, Invokana, Invokamet XR, Jardiance, Segluromet, Steglatro, Synjardy, Synjardy XR, Xigduo XR	Current or previous use of brand or generic versions of insulin, metformin, chlorpropamide, glimepiride, glipizide, or glyburide alone or part of a combination product
<b>Pain Relief</b>		
Diclofenac products	Cambia, diclofenac sodium 1.5% topical solution, Flector, Pennsaid, Zipsor, Zorvolex	All oral brands: Previous use of generic oral diclofenac  Solaraze only: previous use of <b>BOTH</b> generic fluorouracil cream <b>AND</b> imiquimod cream
Gout Agents (Xanthine Oxidase Inhibitors)	Uloric	Previous use of generic allopurinol 300 mg
<b>Renal Drugs</b>		
Phosphate Binders	Fosrenol, lanthanum carbonate, Renagel, Renvela, Velphoro	Previous use of a non-targeted generic phosphate binder such as calcium acetate, calcium carbonate, calcium carbonate-magnesium acetate, or sevelamer carbonate
	Auryxia	Previous use of <b>EITHER</b> an iron supplement <b>OR</b> a non-targeted generic calcium-containing phosphate binder such as calcium acetate, calcium carbonate, or calcium carbonate-magnesium acetate, or sevelamer carbonate
<b>Topical Drugs</b>		
Atopic Dermatitis	doxepin cream, Elidel, Eucrisa, Protopic, Prudoxin, tacrolimus ointment, Zonalon	Previous use of a topical corticosteroid or topical corticosteroid combination product including but not limited to <b>ANY</b> of the following products: betamethasone, clobetasol, desonide, desoximetasone, fluocinolone, fluocinonide, hydrocortisone, triamcinolone, diflorasone, or mometasone.
Topical Corticosteroids	Clodan Kit 0.05%, Cordran tape, Olux/Olux-E aerosol/foam 0.05%, Olux/Olux-E Complete Pack, Ultravate lotion 0.05%, Vanos cream 0.1%	Previous use of a generic version of <b>ANY</b> of the following: betamethasone dipropionate augmented gel/lotion/ointment 0.05%, clobetasol propionate cream/foam/gel/lotion/ointment/shampoo 0.05%,

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Topical Corticosteroids		diflorasone acetate ointment 0.05%, fluocinonide cream 0.1%, halobetasol propionate cream/ointment 0.05%
	diflorasone cream 0.05%, Halog cream 0.1%, Topicort spray 0.25%	Previous use of a generic version of <b>ANY</b> of the following: augmented betamethasone dipropionate cream 0.05%, desoximetasone cream/ointment 0.25%, desoximetasone gel 0.05% fluocinonide cream/gel/ointment 0.05% halcinonide cream/ointment 0.1%, mometasone furoate ointment 0.1%
	Cutivate ointment 0.005%, Halog ointment 0.1%	Previous use of a generic version of <b>ANY</b> of the following: amcinonide cream 0.1%, fluocinonide cream/gel/ointment 0.05%, fluticasone propionate ointment 0.005%, halcinonide ointment 0.1% triamcinolone cream 0.5%
	Cordran 0.05% ointment, desoximetasone cream 0.05% (authorized generic of Topicort 0.05%), Luxiq foam 0.12%, Sernivo spray 0.05%	Previous use of a generic version of <b>ANY</b> of the following: betamethasone valerate cream /lotion 0.1%, desoximetasone cream 0.05% fluocinolone acetonide ointment 0.025%, hydrocortisone valerate ointment 0.2%, mometasone furoate cream/lotion 0.1%, triamcinolone acetonide ointment 0.1%
	Cloderm cream/cream with pump 0.1%, Cordran 0.05% cream/lotion, Cutivate cream/lotion 0.05%, Locoid cream/lotion/ointment/solution 0.1%, Locoid lipocream 0.1%	Previous use of a generic version of <b>ANY</b> of the following: fluocinolone acetonide cream 0.025%, fluticasone propionate cream/lotion 0.05%, hydrocortisone butyrate cream/lipocream/lotion/ointment/solution 0.1%, hydrocortisone valerate cream 0.2%, prednicarbate cream 0.1%, triamcinolone acetonide cream/lotion 0.1%, triamcinolone acetonide cream/lotion 0.025%
Desonate cream/gel/lotion/ointment 0.05%, Verdeso aerosol 0.05%	Previous use of a generic version of <b>ANY</b> of the following: alclometasone dipropionate cream/ointment 0.05%, desonide cream/gel/foam/lotion/ointment 0.05%,	

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