2024 Reference Drug Program (RDP) Poster



If a patient has tried all the fully covered drugs in a category, cannot take any of those drugs due to intolerance or another medical reason, and they meet the Special Authority criteria for a non-reference drug, their prescriber can submit a Special Authority request for full coverage. Exempted specialists do not need to submit Special Authority requests for their patients for full coverage of a partially covered drug.

RDP category	Fully covered drugs¹ (reference drugs)	Partially covered drugs (non-reference drugs)	Maximum coverage for partially covered drugs
Angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitors (ACEIs)	ramipril with/without HCTZ	benazepril captopril cilazapril with/without HCTZ enalapril with/without HCTZ fosinopril lisinopril with/without HCTZ perindopril quinapril with/without HCTZ trandolapril	\$3.3510/30 days (\$0.1117/day) based on ramipril 10 mg once daily
Angiotensin receptor blockers (ARBs)	candesartan with/without HCTZ losartan with/without HCTZ telmisartan with/without HCTZ or amlodipine valsartan with/without HCTZ	eprosartan with/without HCTZ irbesartan with/without HCTZ olmesartan with/without HCTZ	\$8.1570/30 days (\$0.2719/day) based on losartan 50 mg once daily
Dihydropyridine calcium channel blockers (CCBs)	amlodipine	felodipine nifedipine	\$6.4560/30 days (\$0.2152/day) based on amlodipine 10 mg once daily
Histamine2 receptor blockers (H2 blockers)	ranitidine	cimetidine famotidine nizatidine	\$7.7580/30 days (\$0.2586/day) based on ranitidine 150mg twice daily
Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs)	ibuprofen (400 mg and 600 mg only) naproxen	diclofenac immediate and sustained release naproxen enteric-coated	\$9.0900/30 days (\$0.3030/day) based on ibuprofen 2400 mg once daily
Proton pump inhibitors (PPIs)	pantoprazole magnesium rabeprazole	esomeprazole lansoprazole omeprazole pantoprazole sodium	\$6.0750/30 days (\$0.2025/day) based on pantoprazole mg 40 mg once daily
Statins	atorvastatin rosuvastatin	fluvastatin lovastatin pravastatin simvastatin	\$4.3860/30 days (\$0.1462/day) based on rosuvastatin 10 mg once daily

Note: PharmaCare may not cover all strengths/formulations. Pharmacists, please dispense specific drug product, as usual, according to the <u>RDP</u>, <u>Low Cost Alternative Program</u>, and <u>PharmaCare Full Payment Policy</u>. Visit <u>Low Cost Alternative Program</u> for specific drug coverage information.

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¹ "Fully covered" means the product is covered up to the maximum eligible cost, and actual covered amounts depend on the rules of a patient's PharmaCare plan.