

FY-11 Plan Year Initiatives

Generic Plus Program

- Average prescription cost at retail:
 - Brand - \$136.75
 - Generic - \$29.11
 - Difference - \$107.64 ~ 80% savings
- Generic Co-pay Waiver Program
 - Single Source Brands with no direct generic equivalent available may have generic medications within the same drug class referred to as generic alternatives
 - Members with a new prescription for one of the targeted high cost brands could receive the lower cost generic at no cost to them for 6-months

Generic drugs undergo rigorous FDA testing for safety and effectiveness. The FDA requires that generic drugs have the same strength, purity, and stability as the original brand product.

This Generic Co-pay Waiver Program is designed to assist employees who are taking one of the specific high cost medications that have a generic alternative.

Members with a new prescription for one of the targeted high cost brands could receive the lower cost generic at no cost to them for the first 6-months and then pay a \$10 per month co-pay vs. \$30 per month co-pay.

FY-11 Plan Year Initiatives

Generic Plus Program

<u>Targeted Brands</u>	<u>6-months Free Generics</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Antidepressant<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Effexor XR \$274.49• Cymbalta \$195.95• Cholesterol Lowering<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lipitor \$206.24• Crestor \$183.84• Vytorin \$211.01• Sleep Aids<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ambien CR \$262.86	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Antidepressant Alt'<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Venlafaxine (g. Effexor)• Paroxetine (g. Paxil)• Cholesterol Lowering Alt'<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pravastatin (g. Pravachol)• Simvastatin (g. Zocor)• Sleep Aids<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Zolpidem (g. Ambien)

The Plan pays approximately \$147,261 for these three classifications per year. This program is designed to save about 80%.

Some doctors might want lab work after the first 3 months to monitor any changes with the cholesterol lowering medication.