

## Enhanced Personal Health Care

# Quick Guide to the Generic Dispensing Rate Measure

The Generic Dispensing Rate (GDR) measure is one of the utilization metrics on the Performance Scorecard. Generic utilization will be based on the following therapeutic classes. The percentage of prescriptions filled as generics in these selected classes will determine the GDR.

### Generic Dispensing Rate Selected Therapeutic Classes:

1. Serotonin-Norepinephrine Reuptake Inhibitors (SNRI's)
2. Nasal Steroids
3. Calcium Regulators - misc (Bone Density Regulators)
4. Serotonin Agonists (Migraine Medications)
5. Non-Barbiturate Hypnotics

We recognize that you are in the best position to make clinical decisions about your patient's medical care. Choosing less expensive alternatives such as generics when clinically appropriate will help to decrease costs for the patients and facilitate success in our program. A patient-centered approach is recommended when discussing treatment options with your patients. The list



on the next page illustrates examples of generic medication options currently on the market within the GDR therapeutic classes. Use of generic medications will improve the GDR. The list also includes examples of brand only medications which negatively impacts the GDR. This list is intended to be used as a guide only since it is not inclusive and we recognize that product availability continuously changes in the market.



## Serotonin-Norepinephrine Reuptake Inhibitors (SNRI's)

### Brands with Generics

Effexor® (venlafaxine)

Effexor XR® (venlafaxine ER)

Cymbalta® (duloxetine)\*

### Brands without Generics

Pristiq® (desvenlafaxine)

\*Cymbalta became generic in December 2013

## Nasal Steroids

### Brands with Generics

Flonase® (fluticasone)

Nasarel® (flunisolide)

### Brands without Generics

Nasonex® (mometasone)

Veramyst® (fluticasone furoate)

Rhinocort Aqua® (budesonide)

## Calcium Regulators- misc (Bone Density Regulators)

### Brands with Generics

Fosamax® (alendronate)

Boniva® (ibandronate)

### Brands without Generics

Actonel® (risedronate)

Fosamax Plus D® (alendronate plus vitamin D)

## Serotonin Agonists (Migraine Medications)

### Brands with Generics

Amerge® (naratriptan)

Imitrex® (sumatriptan)

Maxalt® (rizatriptan)

Maxalt MLT® (rizatriptan ODT)

Zomig® (zolmitriptan)

Zomig ZMT® (zolmitriptan ODT)

### Brands without Generics

Axert® (almotriptan)

Relpax® (eletriptan)

Frova® (frovatriptan)

## Non-Barbiturate Hypnotics

### Brands with Generics

Ambien® (zolpidem)

Ambien CR® (zolpidem ER)

Restoril® (temazepam)

Halcion® (triazolam)

Sonata® (zaleplon)

Lunesta® (eszopiclone)\*

\*Lunesta became generic April 2014