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## What is a Formulary?

- Formulary

- A list of all products that are available through your prescription drug benefit at one copay level or another.

- Preferred drug list

- A subset of your formulary that contains generic and select brand products available at the lower copay levels.

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## Plan Overview

- Tier 1- \$13.00
  - Least expensive tier
  - Typically consist of generic medications
  
- Tier 2- \$33.00
  - Contains preferred brands
  - Have higher copay than generics, but still provide significant savings
  
- Tier 3- \$55.00
  - Typically have generic or preferred brand alternatives available at lower copay

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## How to Take an Active Role in Your Healthcare

- Work together with your doctor, nurse, and any other health care providers in making decisions about your care.
- Ask questions, and keep asking them until you understand the answers.
- Tell the doctor about all of the medicines you take.
- Before you purchase a prescription or over-the-counter medicine, learn and understand as much about it as you can.
- When you are ready to use the medicine, maximize the benefits and minimize the risks by following the instructions printed on the drug label.
- **BE AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF YOUR HEALTHCARE TEAM**

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## Generic Drugs

- Generic drugs are **safe, effective and affordable**. They're made with the same active ingredients and produce the same effects in the body as their brand-name equivalents.
- Generic drugs are approved by the FDA (the Food and Drug Administration) as safe and effective choices you can make — **and they save you money**, an estimated \$8 to \$10 billion dollars a year at retail pharmacies.
- Catalyst Rx has partnered with the FDA to promote the utilization of generic medications.

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## Rx Catalyst Website

- Have you logged on to [www.catalystrx.com](http://www.catalystrx.com) lately?
- Benefits of the Website
  - You can review your plan's covered and excluded benefits
  - View a complete formulary or print your preferred drug list
  - Calculate the co-payment of your next prescription
  - Search for brand or generic alternatives for your prescription
  - Locate and print driving directions to a local network pharmacy
  - Access dietary guides, recipe substitutes, and an exercise calculator
  - Learn more about mail order service and specialty programs
  - View your prescription history
- Sample Log-In
  - Login: STMS                      Password: Select
  - Login: STMS                      Password: Base


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## ONLINE DRUG PROFILE

### View Your Prescriptions By Month

Start Date   End Date

Welcome John Doe  
You can select which month to view by clicking on the drop down arrow above.

Date	Name	Qty	Days Supply	Total Cost	You Paid	Verified
1/3/2005	CEFZIL 250 MG TABLET	20	10	\$81.19	\$30.00	<a href="#">Verify</a>
3/8/2005	SARAFEM 10 MG PULVULE	84	84	\$251.33	\$120.00	<a href="#">Verify</a>
6/2/2005	SARAFEM 10 MG PULVULE	84	84	\$272.44	\$120.00	<a href="#">Verify</a>
6/27/2005	ALPRAZOLAM 0.25 MG TABLET	90	90	\$30.00	\$30.00	<a href="#">Verify</a>
7/5/2005	AMERGE 2.5 MG TABLET	9	5	\$166.85	\$60.00	<a href="#">Verify</a>
9/23/2005	SARAFEM 10 MG PULVULE	84	84	\$268.90	\$120.00	✓
12/30/2005	CEFUROXIME AXETIL 250 MG TAB	20	10	\$15.00	\$15.00	✓
Totals				\$1,085.71	\$495.00	

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## PHARMACIES

Locate a pharmacy near you

City: las vegas State: NV - OR - Zip Code: 89128 search

Drug Name: (selected pharmacies)

Displaying 1 Pharmacy

**Price a Drug at Selected Pharmacies** X

Selected Drug: **LIPITOR TAB 40MG**

Member: SHIRLEY TAFOYA

Medication Quantity: 30

How many days will this quantity last? 30

Will you take a generic alternative if available?

If No, does your Doctor require that you take the brand Medication?

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Locate a pharmacy near you

City:  State:  - OR - Zip Code:

Drug Name:  (optional, this will show the price of the medication at selected pharmacies)

Displaying **11 of 13** Pharmacies found

Pharmacy	Price
1. <b>WALGREEN DRUG STORE</b> 7599 W LAKE MEAD BLVD LAS VEGAS, NV 89128 (702) 363-4133	\$33.17
2. <b>MOUNTAIN VIEW PHARMACY</b> 3150 N TENAYA WAY LAS VEGAS, NV 89128 (702) 360-5310	\$33.24
3. <b>NEVADA CANCER CENTER</b> 2851 N TENAYA WAY LAS VEGAS, NV 89128 (702) 735-7154	\$33.63
4. <b>RITE AID CORPORATION</b> SOUTH SHORES CENTER LAS VEGAS, NV 89128-7630 (702) 255-2720	\$33.63
5. <b>SMITHS PHARMACY</b> 2211 NORTH RAMPART LAS VEGAS, NV 89128 (702) 256-1984	\$33.63

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## Diabetic Sense

- Free preferred blood glucose meters
- Regular, mail order delivery of your diabetic supplies
  - Blood glucose test strips
  - Lancets and lancet devices
  - Syringes
  - Alcohol pads
- Friendly reorder reminder calls to ensure you have test strips and other supplies
- Educational materials

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## Catalyst Rx – State of Mississippi Team

- Client Services Manager – Chad Hayden
- Client Services Coordinator- Carol Thompson
- Clinical Pharmacist – Eric McKinley
- Clinical Pharmacist – Sam Warman
  
- Dedicated 24 hour a day/7 days a week customer service number

1-866-757-7839

- Dedicated mail order customer service number

1-866-827-9480

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