



How to use the chronic medication formulary lookup

The PG Group Medical Scheme promotes the use of generic medication and formulary reference pricing to extend your annual chronic medication benefit and reduce your out-of-pocket and co-payments. This guide will teach you how to use the formulary lookup that is available on the Scheme website.

PG Group Medical Scheme medication formulary

Understanding the terminology

Single exit price (SEP)

This refers to the price set by pharmaceutical manufacturers at which medication may be sold including VAT and a logistic fee.

Dispensing fee

This fee is added onto the SEP, is regulated by the Department of Health for scheduled medication and is the professional fee that pharmacists or doctors may charge for dispensing medication. The maximum dispensing fee allowed is also government regulated. However, dispensers of medication may sell at more than the regulated maximum dispensing fee.

Formulary reference pricing

Formulary Reference Price (FRP) is a therapeutic reference pricing model which sets a maximum reimbursable price for a list of therapeutically similar products. FRP applies to a list of approved and preferred medication (formulary), both generic and original brand-name medication, which the Scheme will cover. The Scheme may, at its discretion, only pay for medication on the formulary. Therefore, if you use medication that is not on the formulary, you may have a co-payment, subject to the Scheme's rules. It is therefore in your best interest to ask your prescribing doctor to prescribe an appropriate formulary medication.

Medicine reference price (MRP)

This is the maximum price that the Scheme will pay for a certain medication. It is usually calculated from the average price of a number of generic medications which cost less than the original brand-name medication. If a member chooses to buy a medication that costs more than the MRP, they may have to pay in the difference (co-payment) between the MRP and the cost of the selected medication. The MRP may apply on both preferred and non-preferred medication. The co-payment on the MRP may be avoided by choosing generic medication from the formulary and that costs less than the MRP.

Step-by-step guide to using the formulary lookup

This simplified guide will assist you, our valued members, to easily use the formulary.

1. Visit the Scheme website at www.pggmeds.co.za and navigate to the **Benefits > Medication** or **Healthcare Programmes > Medicine Risk Management** tabs to access the formulary. Alternatively, you may access the formulary directly via the following link: https://secure.mediscor.co.za/adocs/schemeformularies/PG_Formulary_Lookup.html.
2. On the main page, PG GROUP MEDICAL SCHEME is automatically displayed as the default in the **Scheme** field, but if it's not showing, you may choose it from the **Scheme** field and choose PGG from the **Option** drop-down list.

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Scheme: PG GROUP MEDICAL SCHEME

Option: Please select an option...

Product Condition

Search:

Product: A VOGEL MULTIFORCE ALKALI

Search:

Condition: All Conditions

Submit Reset

3. Select your search type, by choosing either **Product** if you know the name of the medication or choose **Condition** if you want to search for medication by your diagnosis or condition.

Searching by Product

Type in the name of the medication using the **Product** drop-down list. Click on **Submit**.

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Scheme: PG GROUP MEDICAL SCHEME

Option: Please select an option...

Product Condition

Search: amloc

Product: AMLOC 10MG TABS

Search: hypertension

Condition: All Conditions

Submit Reset

A list of medication will display in a table as shown below. The list will include your medication and all the generic alternatives available on the formulary. The table includes the medication's price, the NAPPI code, whether it is formulary preferred or non-preferred, and any other conditions this medication may be used for.

Scheme	PG GROUP MEDICAL SCHEME											
Option	PGG											
Product	AMLOC 10MG TABS											
Reference Price	FRPPLUS											
Date and Time	2024-10-19 15:05:48											
Prescribed Quantity	<input type="text"/>											

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Product	NAPPI	Package Size	Active Ingredient	SEP	Reference Price	Reference Price Copay	Levy	Formulary	Pre Auth	Generic	Condition
AMLOC 10MG TABS	703917001	30	AMLODIPINE MALEATE TAB 10 MG	78.30	85.21	0.00	N/A	Y	N	Y	PULMONARY HYPERTENSION
AMLOC 10MG TABS	703917001	30	AMLODIPINE MALEATE TAB 10 MG	78.30	85.21	0.00	N/A	Y	N	Y	CARDIAC FAILURE
AMLOC 10MG TABS	703917001	30	AMLODIPINE MALEATE TAB 10 MG	78.30	85.21	0.00	N/A	Y	N	Y	CHRONIC RENAL FAILURE
AMLOC 10MG TABS	703917001	30	AMLODIPINE MALEATE TAB 10 MG	78.30	85.21	0.00	N/A	Y	N	Y	HYPERTENSION
AMLOC 10MG TABS	703917001	30	AMLODIPINE MALEATE TAB 10 MG	78.30	85.21	0.00	N/A	Y	N	Y	CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE

Searching by Condition

Select the **Condition** button, type your condition in the **Search** section or select the applicable one from the **Condition** drop-down list. Click on **Submit**.

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Scheme: PG GROUP MEDICAL SCHEME

Option: Please select an option...

Product Condition

Search:

Condition:

Search:

Product:

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Scheme: PG GROUP MEDICAL SCHEME

Option: PGG

Product Condition

Search:

Condition: ACNE

ACNE

ADDISON DISEASE

ALLERGIC RHINITIS

Search:



The table will display all the available medication on the formulary for the selected condition, as shown below.

Product	NAPPI	Package Size	Active Ingredient	SEP	Reference Price	Reference Price Copay	Levy	Formulary	Pre Auth	Generic	Condi
A-LENNON DOXYCYCLINE HCL CAPS	893402006	1000	DOXYCYCLINE HYCLATE CAP 100 MG	743.27	678.50	64.77	N/A	Y	Y	Y	ACNE
ACNETANE 10 CAPS	701667001	60	ISOTRETINOIN CAP 10 MG	340.18	363.63	0.00	N/A	Y	Y	Y	ACNE
ACNETANE 20 CAPS	701656001	60	ISOTRETINOIN CAP 20 MG	697.91	725.88	0.00	N/A	Y	Y	Y	ACNE
ACNETRET 10MG CAPS	711877001	60	ISOTRETINOIN CAP 10 MG	292.50	363.63	0.00	N/A	Y	Y	Y	ACNE
ACNETRET 20MG CAPS	711876001	60	ISOTRETINOIN CAP 20 MG	573.14	725.88	0.00	N/A	Y	Y	Y	ACNE
ADCO-ERYTHROMYCIN 250 CAPS	780561015	250	ERYTHROMYCIN ESTOLATE CAP 250 MG	347.21	347.87	0.00	N/A	Y	Y	Y	ACNE
ADCO-ERYTHROMYCIN 250 CAPS	780561031	20	ERYTHROMYCIN ESTOLATE CAP 250 MG	27.77	27.83	0.00	N/A	Y	Y	Y	ACNE
ANDROCUR 10MG TABS	791970019	15	CYPROTERONE ACETATE TAB 10 MG	482.14	125.06	357.08	FRP+	N	N	N	ACNE
BACTRIM DS TABS	706442008	10	SULFAMETHOXAZOLE-TRIMETHOPRIM TAB 800-160 MG	113.25	16.44	96.80	N/A	Y	Y	O	ACNE
BACTRIM TABS	706434005	20	SULFAMETHOXAZOLE-TRIMETHOPRIM TAB 400-80 MG	102.31	10.12	92.19	N/A	Y	Y	O	ACNE
BENZAC AC 5 GEL	807842028	40	BENZOYL PEROXIDE GEL 5%	343.71	178.48	165.23	N/A	Y	N	Y	ACNE
BENZAC AC 5 GEL	807842029	15	BENZOYL PEROXIDE GEL 5%	134.90	66.93	67.97	N/A	Y	N	Y	ACNE
BETAPEN 250MG TABS	780081005	100	PENICILLIN V POTASSIUM TAB 250 MG	39.79	50.60	0.00	N/A	Y	Y	Y	ACNE
BETAPEN 250MG TABS	780081013	1000	PENICILLIN V POTASSIUM TAB 250 MG	397.96	506.00	0.00	N/A	Y	Y	Y	ACNE
BIOTECH CO-TRIMOXAZOLE 480MG T	773603027	14	SULFAMETHOXAZOLE-TRIMETHOPRIM TAB 400-80 MG	4.87	7.08	0.00	N/A	Y	Y	Y	ACNE
BIOTECH CO-TRIMOXAZOLE 480MG T	773603028	28	SULFAMETHOXAZOLE-TRIMETHOPRIM TAB 400-80 MG	9.75	14.16	0.00	N/A	Y	Y	Y	ACNE
BIOTECH CO-TRIMOXAZOLE 480MG T	773603029	56	SULFAMETHOXAZOLE-TRIMETHOPRIM TAB 400-80 MG	19.50	28.33	0.00	N/A	Y	Y	Y	ACNE
BIOTECH DOXYCYCLINE 100MG TABS	722844001	100	DOXYCYCLINE MONOHYDRATE TAB 100 MG	61.82	67.85	0.00	N/A	Y	Y	Y	ACNE
BIOTECH DOXYCYCLINE 100MG TABS	722844002	28	DOXYCYCLINE MONOHYDRATE TAB 100 MG	17.30	18.99	0.00	N/A	Y	Y	Y	ACNE
BIOTECH DOXYCYCLINE 100MG TABS	722844003	14	DOXYCYCLINE MONOHYDRATE TAB 100 MG	8.65	9.49	0.00	N/A	Y	Y	Y	ACNE
CLEOCIN LOTION	796131007	60	CLINDAMYCIN PHOSPHATE LOTION 1%	50.10	40.71	0.00	N/A	Y	N	Y	ACNE

In the example below, the condition **HYPERTENSION** has been selected.

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Scheme: PG GROUP MEDICAL SCHEME

Option: PGG

Product Condition

Search:

Condition: HYPERTENSION

Search:

Product: All Products



A list of medication for the treatment of hypertension will be displayed in the table as shown below. Medication on the formulary will be displayed in green as shown below. If you want to see generic alternatives for the medication, click on a product line (medication name) and it will display another table showing generic alternatives available on the formulary.

Product	NAPPI	Package Size	Active Ingredient	SEP	Reference Price	Reference Price Copay	Levy	Formulary	Pre Auth	Generic	Condition
ABECARD 16MG TABS	721630001	30	CANDESARTAN CILEXETIL TAB 16 MG	168.24	69.69	98.55	FRP+	N	N	Y	HYPERTENSION
ABECARD 32MG TABS	721631001	30	CANDESARTAN CILEXETIL TAB 32 MG	168.24	69.69	98.55	FRP+	N	N	Y	HYPERTENSION
ABECARD 8MG TABS	721629001	30	CANDESARTAN CILEXETIL TAB 8 MG	168.24	69.69	98.55	FRP+	N	N	Y	HYPERTENSION
ABECARD CO 16MG/12.5MG TABS	3006250001	30	CANDESARTAN CILEXETIL-HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE TAB 16-12.5 M	181.74	87.63	94.11	FRP+	N	N	Y	HYPERTENSION
ACENTEN 20/12.5 TABS	3005236001	30	ENALAPRIL MALEATE & HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE TAB 20-12.5 MG	93.28	123.16	0.00	N/A	Y	N	Y	HYPERTENSION
ACESYL 4MG TABS	715649001	30	PERINDOPRIL ERBUMINE TAB 4 MG	123.71	65.55	58.16	N/A	Y	N	Y	HYPERTENSION
ACESYL CO 2MG/0.625MG TABS	715650001	30	PERINDOPRIL ERBUMINE-INDAPAMIDE TAB 2-0.625 MG	167.08	115.23	51.85	N/A	Y	N	Y	HYPERTENSION
ACESYL CO 4MG/1.25MG TABS	715651001	30	PERINDOPRIL ERBUMINE-INDAPAMIDE TAB 4-1.25 MG	171.66	97.98	73.68	N/A	Y	N	Y	HYPERTENSION
ACETEN 25MG TABS	852333005	60	CAPTOPRIL TAB 25 MG	28.09	28.29	0.00	N/A	Y	N	Y	HYPERTENSION
ACTI-PREX 4MG TABS GLENMARK P	714869001	30	PERINDOPRIL ERBUMINE TAB 4 MG	63.37	65.55	0.00	N/A	Y	N	Y	HYPERTENSION
ACTI-PREX PLUS 4MG/1.25MG TABS	3006095001	30	PERINDOPRIL ERBUMINE-INDAPAMIDE TAB 4-1.25 MG	97.70	97.98	0.00	N/A	Y	N	Y	HYPERTENSION
ADALAT XL 30MG TABS	793124018	30	NIFEDIPINE TAB ER 24HR 30 MG	108.00	107.98	0.02	N/A	Y	N	O	HYPERTENSION
ADALAT XL 30MG TABS	793124026	28	NIFEDIPINE TAB ER 24HR 30 MG	100.79	100.78	0.01	N/A	Y	N	O	HYPERTENSION
ADCO TELMISARTAN 40MG TABS	3000736001	30	TELMISARTAN TAB 40 MG	171.55	69.69	101.86	FRP+	N	N	Y	HYPERTENSION
ADCO TELMISARTAN 80MG TABS	3000737001	30	TELMISARTAN TAB 80 MG	171.55	69.69	101.86	FRP+	N	N	Y	HYPERTENSION
ADCO-ATENOLOL 100MG TABS	786586001	28	ATENOLOL TAB 100 MG	31.08	41.86	0.00	N/A	Y	N	Y	HYPERTENSION
ADCO-ATENOLOL 50MG TABS	786578017	30	ATENOLOL TAB 50 MG	20.70	26.22	0.00	N/A	Y	N	Y	HYPERTENSION
ADCO-BISOCOR 10MG TABS	703914001	30	BISOPROLOL FUMARATE TAB 10 MG	81.30	104.88	0.00	N/A	Y	N	Y	HYPERTENSION
ADCO-BISOCOR 5MG TABS	703913001	30	BISOPROLOL FUMARATE TAB 5 MG	47.09	60.72	0.00	N/A	Y	N	Y	HYPERTENSION
ADCO-DAPAMAX 2.5MG TABS	819417009	30	INDAPAMIDE TAB 2.5 MG	18.66	20.35	0.00	N/A	Y	N	Y	HYPERTENSION
ADCO-DAPAMAX 2.5MG TABS	819417017	600	INDAPAMIDE TAB 2.5 MG	373.32	407.10	0.00	N/A	Y	N	Y	HYPERTENSION
ADCO-ENALAPRIL 10MG TABS	886843001	28	ENALAPRIL MALEATE TAB 10 MG	41.05	58.28	0.00	N/A	Y	N	Y	HYPERTENSION

Top tips!

- You may also input your quantity in the **Prescribed Quantity field** which will adjust the pricing.
- If you want to see generic alternatives for the medication, click on a product line (medication name) and it will display another table showing generic alternatives available on the formulary.
- If the pop-up message **Product not in formulary** appears, then the product is not in the formulary or not covered for your condition.

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