

Reduce Costs by Prescribing Clinically Approved Alternatives

The next time your patients need a prescription filled for one of these medicines, we hope you will refer to the Dosage Form Cost Comparison below and consider cost-effective and clinically appropriate options.

What can you do for all of your patients?

- Consider starting new patients on the suggested alternative in order to minimize costs.
- Discuss switching current patients from the commonly prescribed medication to a suggested alternative as appropriate.

Dosage Form Cost Comparison			
Cost Per Claim*: \$ = \$1 – \$10; \$\$ = \$11 – \$50; \$\$\$ = \$201 – \$1,000			
Commonly Prescribed Medications	Cost Per Claim*	Suggested Alternative(s)	Cost Per Claim*
Venlafaxine ER tablets (37.5mg, 75mg, 150 mg)	\$\$\$	Venlafaxine ER capsules (37.5mg, 75mg, 150mg)	\$
Fluoxetine tablets (10mg, 20mg)	\$\$	Fluoxetine capsules (10mg, 20mg)	\$
Tizanidine capsules (2mg, 4mg)	\$\$	Tizanidine tablets (2mg, 4mg)	\$

* Average overall EmblemHealth/ConnectiCare pricing per prescription as of Q1 2024. Medication coverage may vary by patient and line of business.

Please call our clinical pharmacist **718-938-2174** if you need additional information.