

Reduce Costs When Prescribing NSAIDs

Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs), at different strengths and drug forms, can cost significantly more than other clinically comparable alternatives.

What can you do for all of your patients?

When medically appropriate:

- Prescribe the lower cost option when introducing a new medicine.
- Speak to patients who are taking these medicines about switching to a lower cost option.

| Commonly Prescribed NSAIDs Cost per Claim*: \$ = \$1 - \$49; \$\$ = \$50 - \$249; \$\$\$ = \$250 - \$999; \$\$\$\$ = \$1000 - \$2499; \$\$\$\$ = \$2500 - \$5000 | | | |
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| Diclofenac topical | Diclofenac Sodium topical solution or gel | \$ | 1%, 1.5%, 3% |
| | Diclofenac Sodium Pump | \$\$\$\$ | - 2% |
| | PENNSAID® Pump | \$\$\$\$ | |
| Diclofenac oral | Diclofenac Potassium 50mg tablet | \$ | - 50mg |
| | Diclofenac Potassium 50mg powder packet | \$\$\$\$ | |
| | Diclofenac Potassium 25mg capsule | \$\$\$\$ | 25mg |
| | Diclofenac Potassium 25mg tablet/ LOFENA® | \$\$\$\$ | |
| Meloxicam | Meloxicam 15mg tablet | \$ | 15mg |
| | Meloxicam 5 mg capsule | \$\$\$\$ | 5mg |
| Naproxen | Naproxen 500mg tablet | \$ | 500mg |
| | Naproxen DR 500mg tablet | \$\$ | 500mg |
| | Naproxen 125mg/5ml suspension | \$\$\$\$ | 125mg/5mL |
| Naproxen + Esomeprazole | Naproxen 375, 500mg + Esomeprazole 20mg | \$ | 375 or 500 mg + 20mg |
| | VIMOVO [®] 375mg or 500mg-20mg Tablet | \$\$\$\$ | 375 or 500mg-20mg |
| lbuprofen + Famotidine | Ibuprofen 800mg + Famotidine 20mg tablet | \$ | 800mg + 20mg |
| | DUEXIS® | \$\$\$\$ | 800mg-26.6mg |

*Average overall EmblemHealth/ConnectiCare pricing per prescription, Q3 2023. Medication coverage may vary by patient and line of business.

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