



# Maximum Allowable Cost

Make wise choices with lower-cost alternatives

Your plan features Maximum Allowable Cost (MAC) for drugs to help treat:

- Gastrointestinal conditions\*
- High cholesterol
- High blood pressure

Your plan will reimburse for a number of drugs in the therapeutic categories to treat these conditions, up to the price of the most cost-effective option.

## Medications covered under this program\*\*

Maximum Allowable Cost applies if you have been diagnosed for treatment of one of these conditions:

### Gastrointestinal Conditions

If you have been prescribed a **Proton Pump Inhibitor (PPI)** to treat gastrointestinal conditions:

- Dexilant (dexlansoprazole)
- Losec (omeprazole)
- Nexium (esomeprazole)
- Pantoloc (pantoprazole sodium)
- Pariet (rabeprazole)
- Prevacid (lansoprazole)
- Tecta (pantoprazole magnesium)

You may be reimbursed to the price of the most cost-effective option: **Generic Pariet (rabeprazole)**

### High Cholesterol

If you have been prescribed a **Statin** to treat high cholesterol:

- Crestor (rosuvastatin)
- Lescol (fluvastatin)
- Lipitor (atorvastatin)
- Mevacor (lovastatin)
- Pravachol (pravastatin)
- Zocor (simvastatin)

You may be reimbursed to the price of the most cost-effective option: **Generic Crestor (rosuvastatin)**

## High Blood Pressure

If you have been prescribed an **Angiotensin Converting Enzyme Inhibitor (ACE)** to treat high blood pressure:

- Accupril (quinapril)
- Altace (ramipril)
- Capoten (Captopril)
- Coversyl (perindopril)
- Inhibace (cilazapril)
- Lotensin (benazepril)
- Mavik (trandolapril)
- Monopril (fosinopril)
- Vasotec (enalapril)
- Zestril/Prinivil (lisinopril)

You may be reimbursed to the price of the most cost-effective option: **Generic Altace (ramipril)**



If you have been prescribed one of the above medications, you can find out if a lower cost option is appropriate for you by:

- Discussing your treatment with your physician or health professional
- Discussing with your pharmacist when filling your prescription

If you choose the more expensive option, you will need to pay the difference between the most cost-effective option and the one you have been prescribed. Your benefit plan can play a big part in the health of you and your family. By working together, we can ensure you have affordable access to the medications you need, today and in the future.

**\*In Quebec, only gastrointestinal treatments have MAC applied**

**\*\*Drugs listed are as of September 2019. For the most recent list of drugs under this program please visit [medaviebc.ca/lowercost](http://medaviebc.ca/lowercost).**