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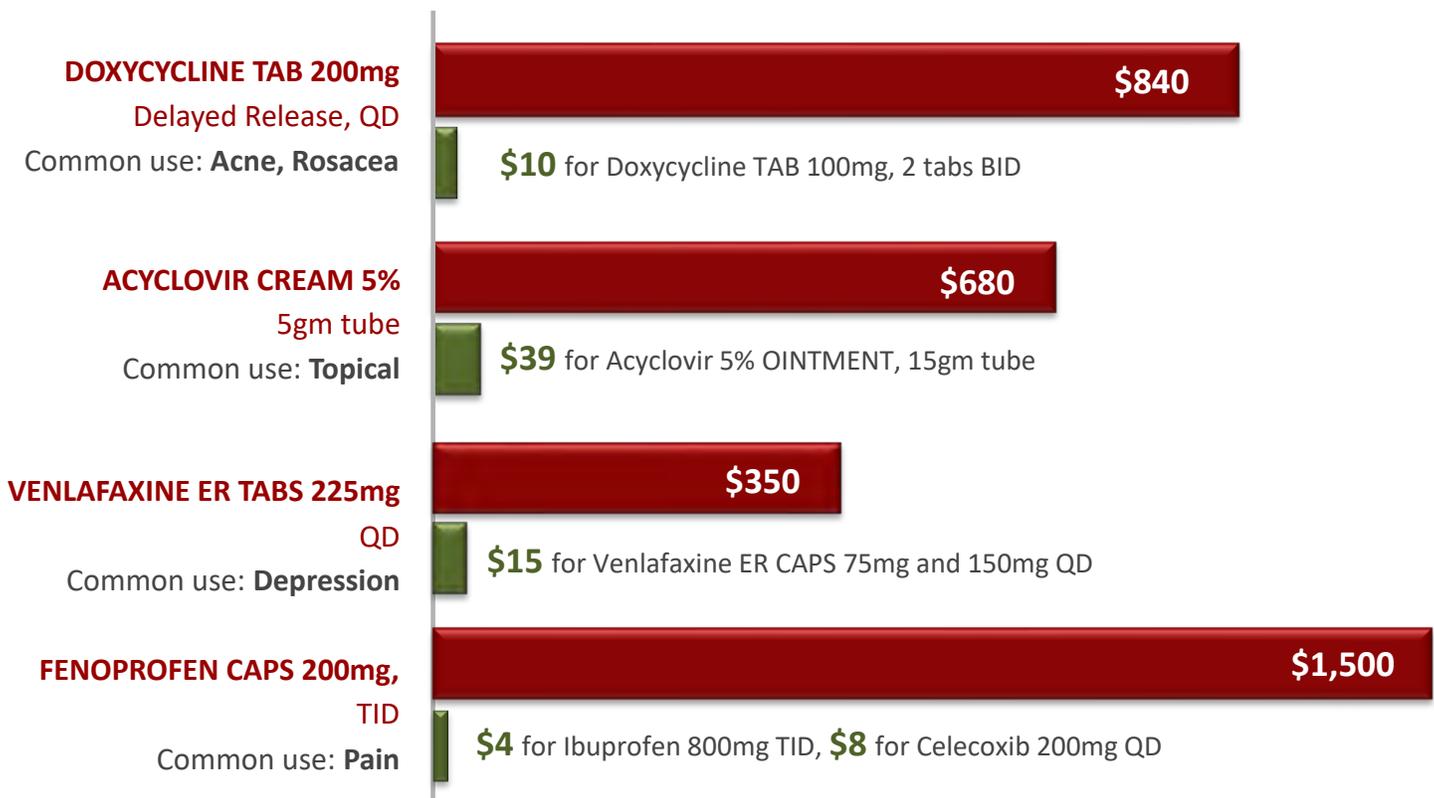
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Not All Generics Are Low Cost

High cost **GENERIC** drugs cost a large Memphis employer over \$200,000 in 2020 through their self-funded employee health drug plan.

The graph below illustrates the cost for one prescription of those high cost generics compared with their much lower cost alternatives.



To make it easier for our prescribers to know which generics are not cost effective, we've identified many of these high cost generic medications and the lower cost alternatives for you.

High Cost Generics	Cost / Claim	Lower Cost Generic(s)	Cost / Claim
doxycycline (many high cost generic IR, ER, DR tablet and capsule formulations)	\$400 - \$1,300	doxycycline monohydrate CAPS 50mg & 100mg doxycycline monohydrate TABS 50mg & 100mg doxycycline hyclate CAPS 50mg & 100mg doxycycline hyclate TABS 20mg & 100mg	\$4 - \$80
acyclovir 5% cream	\$600 - \$3,000	acyclovir oral tablets or 5% ointment	\$30 - \$60
hydrocortisone 1% lotion	\$500 - \$1500	hydrocortisone OTC or 2.5% lotion	\$2 - \$30
venlafaxine ER tablets	\$120 - \$360	venlafaxine ER capsules	\$7 - \$8
fenoprofen tabs & caps	\$250 - \$1500	etodolac, diclofenac, indomethacin, ketorolac, ibuprofen, meloxicam, etc.	\$2 - \$80
naproxen 500MG tab CR	\$350 - \$800	naproxen 500mg tabs, naproxen 500mg & 550mg DR tabs	\$2 - \$80
sumatriptan/naproxen tabs	\$300	sumatriptan tabs + naproxen tabs	\$10 - \$88
dapsone 5% gel	\$660	topical adapalene, clindamycin, erythromycin, tretinoin, etc.	\$20 - \$150
mupirocin cream	\$290	mupirocin ointment	\$4 - \$6
fenofibrate tab 40mg, 120mg fenofibrate caps 120mg, 130mg	\$100 - \$700	All other fenofibrate strengths, tabs & caps	\$7 - \$50

Cost information gathered February 2021

Whenever possible, try this game plan:

- 1. Prescribe classic strengths/formulations.**
- 2. Before you write, have patients who use a pharmacy app check for lower cost options.**
- 3. Be sure that your EHR is populated with patient specific drug fields that default to best options when prescribing.**