

FOUR CATEGORIES OF DRUGS

TRICARE groups prescription drugs into four categories. This grouping is based on the medical and cost effectiveness of a drug compared to other drugs of the same type. This graphic shows how your costs may vary depending on your drug's category.

Generic formulary drugs*



- Covered by TRICARE
- Widely available
- Lowest cost to you



Brand-name formulary drugs*



- Covered by TRICARE
- Generally available
- Moderate cost



Non-formulary drugs*



- Covered by TRICARE
- May not be available
- Higher cost



Non-covered drugs



- Not covered by TRICARE
- Highest cost (You pay 100% of the drug's cost)



* May require pre-authorization or medical necessity