

## Shasta-Trinity Schools Prescription Plan Summary

Below is a summary of Shasta-Trinity Schools' prescription benefits. Should you have detailed questions, please visit the EnvisionRxOptions website at [www.envisionrx.com](http://www.envisionrx.com) or call the Envision Customer Service Help Desk at 800-361-4542.

Your Prescription drug benefit features a formulary drug list. A formulary is a list of preferred medications organized into groups or "Tiers". Generic equivalents are in Tier One and are the first choice whenever possible. Tier Two drugs are a set of preferred brand-name drugs. Tier Three drugs are non-preferred brand-name drugs. The higher you go on the Tier, the higher the member contribution (co-payment). For a full listing of medications on the formulary, visit the Envision website at [www.envisionrx.com](http://www.envisionrx.com) and then click on Resource Tools to view the Preferred Drug List.

### Receiving Your Prescription Medication

There are two options on how you may receive your prescription medication with EnvisionRx Options. You can take your EnvisionRx Options card to a participating pharmacy with a valid prescription from your doctor to obtain your medication. You will only be charged your co-payment amount when you pick-up your prescription medication.

To locate a participating pharmacy visit the Envision website at [www.envisionrx.com](http://www.envisionrx.com) or call Envision customer service at 800-361-4542.

You may also use Mail Order to receive your prescription. There are benefits if you choose to use Mail Order to obtain your medications instead of retail. Your co-payments will be less expensive than going to a retail pharmacy and you will receive a 90 day supply of your medication delivered to your house at no extra expense to you. In order to receive your medication through Mail order you must use Costco Mail Order Pharmacy. Should you have questions you can contact Costco Mail Order at 800-607-6861.

Base Plan	<u>RETAIL: 30 DAYS</u>	<u>RETAIL: 90 DAYS</u> <small>(maintenance medications only)*</small>	<u>MAIL ORDER : 90 DAYS</u>
Generic	\$10	\$30	\$20
Preferred Brand	\$30	\$90	\$60
Non Preferred Brand	\$40	\$120	\$80

ConditionCare*	<u>RETAIL: 30 DAYS</u>	<u>RETAIL: 90 DAYS</u> <small>(maintenance medications only)*</small>	<u>MAIL ORDER : 90 DAYS</u>
Generic	\$10	\$30	\$20
Preferred Brand	\$20	\$60	\$40
Non Preferred Brand	\$30	\$90	\$60

\*ConditionCare – lower copays apply to brand drugs for the treatment of the following chronic conditions; Asthma, Diabetes, Heart Failure, COPD, Coronary Artery Diseases.

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## ✓ Some of the Non-Covered Medications\*

Blood and Blood Plasma	Durable Medical Equipment (DME)	Weight Loss Drugs
Allergens/Allergy injections	Nutrients and Dietary Supplements	Medications which have <u>not</u> been approved by the Federal Drug Administration (FDA)
Cosmetic Drugs	Over-the-Counter (OTC) Drugs	

## ✓ Brand Medications

Please note that if you select a brand name medication that has a generic equivalent available, you will pay the difference in price between the brand name medication and its available generic

## ✓ The Importance of Generic Medications

**Q. Don't more expensive medications work better?**

A. Not necessarily. A higher cost does not automatically mean a medication is better. For example, a brand medication may have a less expensive generic or brand alternative that might be an option for you. Generic and brand medications must meet the same standards set by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for safety and effectiveness. We encourage you to work with your doctor to determine which medication options are best for you.

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## ✓ **Step Therapy Program**

Shasta-Trinity Schools is always looking to find ways to provide better prescription coverage while managing the rising costs of prescription medications. Tools, such as copays and step therapies are used to achieve these goals. These programs are all about value – the aim is to help you choose a medication that’s proven safe and effective for your condition, while getting it at the lowest possible cost. By using the most cost-effective first line medications you will not only save money with lower copayments, but your prescription plan saves as well; helping to ensure that Shasta-Trinity Schools can continue to provide excellent prescription coverage for you and your family.

### **Q. What is step therapy?**

A. A step therapy program is designed specifically for patients with certain conditions that require them to take medications regularly. It is the practice of beginning medication therapy for a medical condition with the most cost-effective medication and progressing to other more costly therapy(s) should the initial medication not provide adequate therapeutic benefit.

### **Q. What medications have step therapy?**

A. The following are some of the medications subject to step therapy:

<b>PPIs</b>	Must try and fail Pantoprazole or Omeprazole prior to utilizing a branded PPI
<b>Acne Medications</b>	Must try and fail Minocycline prior to using branded product
<b>Actonel, Boniva</b>	Must try and fail generic (Alendronate) prior to use
<b>Antidepressants</b>	Must try and fail generic Citalopram, Fluoxetine, Paroxetine prior to use
<b>Bladder Medication</b>	Must try and fail Oxybutynin before using branded product

<b>Byetta/Victoza</b>	Must try and fail Metformin, Sulfonylurea or Thiazolidinedione prior to using branded product
<b>Celebrex</b>	Must try and fail one (1) generic NSAID prior to using branded product
<b>Daytrana</b>	Must try and fail another ADD/ ADHD oral agent
<b>Diabetic Medications</b>	Must try and fail Metformin, Sulfonylurea, DPP-4 Inhibitor or Pioglitazone prior to using branded product
<b>Insomnia Drugs</b>	Must try and fail Zolpidem prior to use
<b>Migraine</b>	Must try and fail Sumatriptan or Naratriptan prior to using branded product
<b>Nasal Steroids</b>	Must try and fail Fluticasone, Nasonex, Veramyst or Veramyst prior to using branded product
<b>Statin Drugs</b>	Must try and fail a generic statin prior to utilizing a branded product
<b>Topical Acne Medications</b>	Must try and fail Topical Corticosterid prior to using branded product
<b>Tricor</b>	Must try and fail generic Fenofibrate, Antara, or Triglide prior to use
<b>Uloric</b>	Must try and fail Allopurinol prior to use

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### ✓ Drugs requiring Prior Authorization

Some medications will require a prior authorization, which is clarification by your prescribing physician for a certain medication. Please refer to the chart below for a list of most medication classifications that will require a prior authorization.

For a medication(s) that requires a prior authorization or if you have questions about the medications that require a prior authorization, call the EnvisionRxOptions Customer Service Help Desk at 1-800-361-4542. They will fax a medical necessity form to your physician to determine if the medication will be approved for your medical condition.

### ✓ Specialty Medications

There are certain medications that provide complex therapies and may have special storage and handling requirements. Some of these specialty medications include costly injectable therapies and select chemotherapeutic agents. If you are taking a specialty medication, you may fill your first two prescriptions at a retail pharmacy. After that, all refills must go through Costco Specialty.

<b>Red Blood Cell Formation</b> ( <i>chemo drugs</i> ): Aranesp, Procrit, Epogen
<b>Multiple Sclerosis:</b> Avonex, Betaseron, Copaxone, Rebif
<b>Osteoporosis:</b> Forteo
<b>Growth Hormone:</b> Genotropin, Humatrope, Norditropin, Nutropin, Saizen, Serostim, Tevotropin
<b>Neutrophil Formation</b> ( <i>chemo drugs</i> ): Leukine, Neulasta, Neupogen
<b>Hepatitis C:</b> Pegasys, Peg-Intron
<b>Rheumatoid Arthritis/Psoriatic Arthritis:</b> Remicade, Humira, Enbrel, Kineret, Amevive, Orencia, Raptiva
<b>Acromegaly, Profuse Diarrhea:</b> Sandostatin, Sandostatin LAR
<b>Asthma:</b> Xolair
<b>Actiq and Fentora</b>

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## ✓ **Additional Website information**

To view benefit information quickly and easily you may visit the Envision website at [www.envisionrx.com](http://www.envisionrx.com). Online registration only takes a few moments of your time and will allow you access to items such as a Participating Pharmacy Locator, an overview of your plan and benefits, drug coverage and pricing, Prescription History and Direct Member Reimbursement Forms.

Please use the following steps to register online:

1. Go to our [www.envisionrx.com](http://www.envisionrx.com) website and click on “Need to Register” link that is located on the right side of the page.
2. To create your account, enter all the required information and press the “Register” button. *(Please note, the e-mail address used to create your account will become your User Name when you log on.)*
3. Once your account has been created successfully, you will be offered a link to log on and view your information. An e-mail will also be sent to you in order to confirm your newly created account.
4. Once you have created an account and log on as a registered member, you will be provided with a “Prescription Plan Overview” describing your benefit. On this page, you are also able to enter in the medications that you use in order to find the applicable copay.
5. Other tools can be found by clicking on the “I am a Member” link. These options include:
  - **Plan Overview and Benefits:** This link will provide an overall look at your prescription benefit.
  - **Drug Coverage & Pricing:** This link will allow you to type in your

specific medication names and obtain **retail** copays.

- **Direct Member Reimbursement:** This link will allow you to print a Direct Member Reimbursement form and instructions on how a Direct Member Reimbursement can be submitted.
- **Prescription History:** This link will allow you to select specific dates and obtain a prescription history for that timeframe (Please note, the last six months of your prescription history is available for viewing, the claims history data is available for viewing five days after the prescription was filled at your retail pharmacy.
- **Manage Your Account:** This link will allow you to edit your personal information, user name or password.