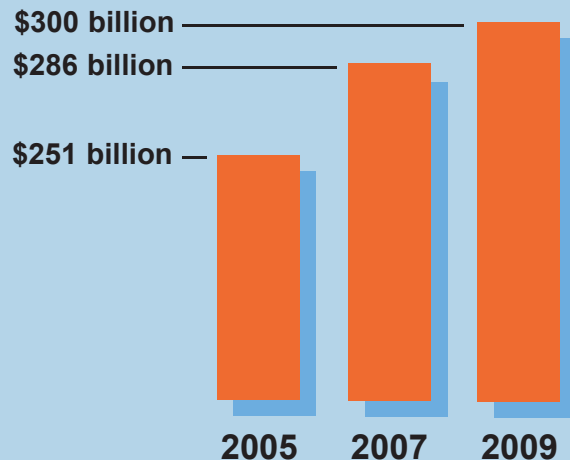


Prescription Drug Sales



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Safe, effective, and affordable generic medicines save Illinois residents millions of dollars each year. We created a report that helps you see how your doctor's clinic compares to other clinics when it comes to prescribing generic drugs. The report is available on the Quality Quest website at www.qualityquest.org. Click the *Quality Reports* button.



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What is a generic drug?

Generic drugs are safe and effective. They have the exact same ingredients and they work just like brand name drugs. The good news is – generics cost much less than brand name drugs and they save you money.

Are generics safe?

By law, generics must meet all the same tough Food and Drug Administration (FDA) standards as brand name drugs. Strict standards mean you can trust generic drugs to be safe and effective.

Will generics save me money?

Generics save American consumers billions of dollars each year. Brand name drugs often cost four times more than generic drugs. Generics will save you money, too. Ask for a generic first.

How do I switch to a generic?

When it comes to your medicines, talk to your doctor. Ask if a generic is available. But don't stop there. Even if a brand name drug has no direct generic, there may be a similar drug that can treat your problem.

Always ask your doctor to check the "May Substitute" box on your prescription. That way, if a generic becomes available later, you can get generic refills without asking for a new prescription.



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