

Employee Anniversaries 5 yrs. Amy Rebecca 5 yrs. Angela 3 yrs. Allison 3 yrs. Gina 1 yr. Christie 1 yr. Randi 1 yr. 7 yrs. Sarah W.

April
Children's
Birthdays

Levi Carter

Kadence

Kayden

Eric

Jahree

Seth

Madisyn

Employee Birthdays

Gina 4/5

Kimberly 4/8

Employee of the Month Above and Beyond SHANNON AWESOME

April 2017

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----|--|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| | | | | | | 1 Prank Day, |
| 2 Spring & Weather - | 3 Reds Opening Day - Wear Red | 4 | 5 | 6 Music Therapy - Wear Pink | 7 рј Дау | 8 PJ Day |
| 9 Spring - | 10 Field Trip for School Agers | 11 | 12 Wacky Hair Wed., Color Eggs | 13 | 14 Easter Egg Hunt, Easy Strider visits, Library Bus | 15 Easter Egg Hunt - Color Eggs |
| 16 Spring & Earth HAPPY EASTER | 17 | 18 | 19 Paint with Ice Cubes | 20 Music Therapy - Wear Yellow | 21 Celebrate Earth Day | 22 Celebrate Earth Day and making Earths |
| 23 Derby Week | 24 Make Noodle Horses | 25 | 26 Make Derby Hats - Pretzel Day | 27 Blue Jean Day - Wear Green | 28 Plant flowers & a vegetable garden, Library Bus | 29 |
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Center of the Month for February 2017

All About Kids
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2017

GENERIC DRUGS: WHAT PARENTS NEED TO KNOW

What are generic drugs?

Generic drugs are usually lower cost alternatives of brand-name drugs that have the same active ingredient and dosage form and work in the same way as their brand-name counterpart. They may however, have a different size, color or shape because some of the non-drug ingredients (e.g. flavoring, coloring agents) may be different.

A generic drug is identical to a brand name drug in the following ways:

| Dosage form | Route of administration |
|--------------|-----------------------------|
| Safety | Quality |
| Strength | Performance characteristics |
| Intended use | |



Why are generic drugs important?

The availability of generic drugs helps increase competition and lowers the cost of medications. Use of generic drugs may reduce your prescription insurance co-payment. Ask your pediatrician whether a generic alternative is available for your child's medication and if it is an appropriate alternative.

Why do brand-name drugs cost more?

Companies that produce brand-name medications invest money in the research, development, and marketing of new drugs. They price these drugs higher to recover some of these costs. New drugs are protected by patents from being produced in a generic form by other companies. When the patents or other periods of exclusivity on a brand-name drug expire, other companies may apply to the FDA to sell a generic version. Since generic drug makers do not develop a drug from scratch, the costs to bring the drug to market are less; therefore, generic drugs are usually less expensive than brand-name drugs.

What is the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approval process for generic drugs?

All drugs, both brand and generic, approved by the US Food and Drug Administration must meet the same high standards for quality, strength, purity, and stability.

Are generic drugs as effective as brand-name drugs?

Yes. A generic drug is the same as a brand-name drug in dosage, safety, strength, quality, the way it works, the way it taken, and the way it should be used.

Is there a "generic" for every brand-name drug?

No, not every brand-name drug has a generic drug. When new drugs are first made they have drug patents. The patent, which protects the company that made the drug first, doesn't allow anyone else to make and sell the drug. When the patent expires, other drug companies can start selling a generic version of the drug. But, first, they must test the drug and the FDA must approve it.