



# LEXINGTON

<u>Employee Anniversaries</u>	
Sarah O.	7 yrs.
Christina	4 yrs.
Cheyenne	2 yrs.
Sandi	2 yrs.
Audra	1 yr.
Cecilia	1 yr.
Nadya	1 yr.
Lauren H.	1 yr.
Tara	1 yr.

<u>Employee Birthdays</u>	
Kendra	4/6
Savannah	4/6
Laurie	4/8
Sadie	4/10
Hugh	4/12
Erika	4/12

<u>April Children's Birthdays</u>
Trinity
Daniel
Kha'Maury
Gabriel
Kahill
Alyvia
Maya
Taji
Myles
Adam
Jaxson

**Employee of the Month**  
**Above and Beyond**  
**ASHLEY MCGARY**

# April 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 April Fool's Day
2 Weather →	3 Children's Book Day - Stretch & Grow	4 Music Therapy - Mini	5	6	7 Jeans Day	8 Bird Day
9 Picnic & Insects →	10	11 Egg Dying Contest	12 Picnic	13 Board Games Day - Story Bus	14 Easter Egg Hunt w/Easter Bunny	15 Easter Egg Hunt
16 Rainbows <b>HAPPY EASTER</b> →	17 Cheese Ball Day - Stretch & Grow	18 Music Therapy	19	20 Look Alike Day	21 Jeans Day	22 Jelly Bean Day
23 Derby →	24	25	26 Derby Pie eating contest	27 Story Bus	28 Derby Race	29 Derby Race
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**Congratulations**  
**BOWLING GREEN**  
Center of the Month for  
February 2017

**All About Kids**  
**APRIL**  
**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 is 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.