

# Fibrate facts



## Members pay the lowest copay when a generic fenofibrate is prescribed.

- The safety and efficacy of fenofibrate formulations are comparable.<sup>1</sup>
- Newer brand-name fenofibrates (such as TriCor<sup>®</sup>, Trilipix<sup>™</sup>) are FDA-approved based on studies of bioequivalence to the original fenofibrate product.<sup>1</sup>
- Fenofibric acid (Trilipix) is the active metabolite of fenofibrate and offers no advantage in safety, efficacy or prevention of coronary disease or events over fenofibrate.<sup>2,3</sup>
- The smaller particle size of brand-name formulations means lower strengths produce the same serum level of fenofibrate when compared to higher strength generic formulations.<sup>1</sup>



	<b>Fenofibrate</b> (Lofibra <sup>®</sup> ), micronized	<b>Fenofibrate</b> (Lofibra <sup>®</sup> )	TriCor <sup>®</sup> (fenofibrate)	Antara <sup>®</sup> (fenofibrate)	Fenoglide <sup>®</sup> (fenofibrate)	Lipofen <sup>®</sup> (fenofibrate)	Triglide <sup>®</sup> (fenofibrate)	Trilipix <sup>™</sup> (fenofibric acid) PA Required
Equivalent Strengths	<b>67 mg</b>	<b>54 mg</b>	48 mg	43 mg	40 mg	50 mg	50 mg	45 mg
	<b>200 mg</b>	<b>160 mg</b>	145 mg	130 mg	120 mg	150 mg	160 mg	135 mg
Generic	✓	✓						
BCBSM/ BCN Custom Formulary <sup>4</sup>	✓	✓	✓					
Typical Copay <sup>5</sup>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>\$10</b>	\$40	up to \$60	up to \$60	up to \$60	up to \$60	up to \$60
Cost per Month <sup>6</sup>	<b>\$20-70</b>	<b>\$20-65</b>	\$45-130	\$45-135	\$40-125	\$30-90	\$50-145	\$40-100

Note: Lofibra is a branded generic equivalent to the original formulation of TriCor.<sup>1</sup> Fenofibrate should be taken with meals.

<sup>1</sup> Comparison of fenofibric acid and fenofibrate products. *Pharmacist's Letter*. 2009;25(2):250211.

<sup>2</sup> Trilipix Prescribing Information. Abbott Laboratories, North Chicago, IL 60064. December 2008.

<sup>3</sup> Dyslipidemia. *Pharmacist's Letter*. 2009;25.

<sup>4</sup> Coverage may not apply to Medicare Part D plans. Nonformulary drugs may not be covered, depending on the member's drug rider.

<sup>5</sup> Based on the most common three-tier plan design.

<sup>6</sup> Based on discounted AWP and MAC for a 34-day supply.



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