

Pointing you towards savings

Did you know that Canadians spent \$26.1 billion on prescription drugs in 2010, including \$4.6 billion out-of-pocket?¹

We at Pacific Blue Cross believe that all British Columbians deserve to have access to affordable health care, especially when it comes to prescription drugs.

Smart shopping can save us and our health care system billions of dollars.

What is Pharmacy Compass?

Developed by Pacific Blue Cross, Pharmacy Compass is a free, interactive online tool that can help you find better value for your medications by comparing the prices at different pharmacy locations across British Columbia.

Accessible via a computer, a smartphone or a tablet, the Pharmacy Compass helps you find ways to lower your out-of-pocket costs.

To use the tool, visit www.pharmacycompass.ca. Read the Terms of Use and click / Agree to continue to the tool.



www.pharmacycompass.ca

Follow the simple steps below to begin your search by *Price Near Me*²

Step 1 Enter the drug name or Drug Identification Number (DIN)

Step 2 Select the strength

Step 3 Enter your desired pharmacy location (e.g., Burnaby)

Step 4 Click *Find Average Price*

With Pharmacy Compass, Tania can save \$62.81



Tania is a 54 year old mother and wife. She takes Lipitor for high cholesterol.



Before using Pharmacy Compass, her costs were:

Lipitor 20g (brand): 30 tablets @ \$2.50/tablet + \$10.60 dispensing fee = **\$85.60**



After using Pharmacy Compass, she discovered that:

By switching pharmacies and using the generic she will save \$62.81 per month!
Lipitor 20g (generic): 30 tablets @ \$0.61/tablet + \$4.49 dispensing fee = **\$22.79**

¹ Canadian Institute for Health Information

² Prices shown are per tablet or capsule. Multiply the price shown by the number of pills to determine the approximate cost of your prescription.