

As you view this list, the Full Cost is an average cost you might expect to see on the “Plan Finder” for Medicare when searching for the best prescription drug plan. The cost will vary from plan to plan and even within the plan throughout the course of a year. For the most up to date and accurate information, you can obtain the cost through your pharmacy or by calling your plan.

Additionally, this is not an all-inclusive list. The list contains just a few of the more common medications we see as an agency when helping our clients research the best drug plan.

My goal with this information is to illustrate the high cost of brand medications so that the reader might visualize the cost when their doctor is prescribing a new medication. It's at that time when you might discuss alternatives, which could save you time and frustration later on.

Any one of these medications in and of itself if filled starting in January and every month thereafter, will cause a person to enter the coverage gap. Remember, the full cost of the medication is the number that counts toward the gap and the in 2020 you enter the gap at \$4020. That means the lowest price medication on this list will have a person in the coverage gap by September.

Drug Name	Full Cost	Condition
Janumet 50-1000mg tablet	\$447	diabetes
Januvia 100mg tablet	\$447	diabetes
Tresiba 100unit/ml solution pen injector	\$503	diabetes
Novolog 100Unit/ml solution pen injector	\$553	diabetes
Humalog 100unit/ml solution pen injector	\$525	diabetes

<b>Levemir 100unit/ml solution pen injector</b>	<b>\$472</b>	<b>diabetes</b>
<b>Restasis .05% emulsion</b>	<b>\$552</b>	<b>eye drop</b>
<b>Eliquis 5mg tablet 5mg tablet</b>	<b>\$440</b>	<b>atrial fib</b>
<b>Xarelto</b>	<b>\$443</b>	<b>blood clot</b>
<b>Latuda 40mg tablet</b>	<b>\$1248</b>	<b>mood/mental disorders</b>
<b>Entresto 24-26mg tablet</b>	<b>\$499</b>	<b>chronic heart failure</b>
<b>Taltz 80mg/ml solution auto injector</b>	<b>\$15,788</b>	<b>severe plaque psoriasis</b>
<b>Xeljanz 5mg tablet</b>	<b>\$2285.62</b>	<b>psoriatic/rheumatoid arthritis</b>
<b>Otezla 30mg tablet</b>	<b>\$1729</b>	<b>psoriatic arthritis</b>
<b>Cosentyx 150mg/ml solution injector</b>	<b>\$5078</b>	<b>plaque psoriasis/psoriatic arthritis</b>
<b>Humira 40mg/0.8ml pen injector kit</b>	<b>\$5229</b>	<b>psoriatic/rheumatoid arthritis</b>