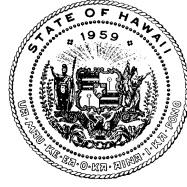


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Hawai'i List of Equivalent Generic Drug Products and Interchangeable Biological Products

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Dear Pharmacy Stakeholders:

The Hawai'i State Department of Health Food and Drug Branch (FDB) has adopted the therapeutically equivalent generic drugs approved by the [U.S. Food and Drug Administration \(FDA\)](#) and are listed in the FDA's [Approved Drug Products with Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations \(Orange Book\), 44th Edition](#), which includes [Cumulative Supplement 1 \(January 2024\)](#).

FDB has also adopted FDA's [List of Licensed Biological Products with Reference Product Exclusivity and Biosimilarity or Interchangeability Evaluations \(Purple Book\)](#), which includes the [February 2024 update](#) to the [Purple Book Database of Licensed Biological Products](#). The Purple Book database contains information on all FDA-licensed (approved) biological products regulated by the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER), including licensed biosimilar and interchangeable products, and their reference products. The Purple Book also contains information about all FDA-licensed allergenic, cellular, gene therapy, hematologic, and vaccine products regulated by the Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (CBER).

By adopting the above, this letter serves as notification that Hawai'i pharmacists may substitute in accordance with Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) [§328-92](#) and [§328-96](#).

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