



Ventolin[®] HFA (albuterol) – First-time generic

- On January 15, 2019, [GlaxoSmithKline \(GSK\)](#) announced that Prasco launched an authorized generic version of GSK's [Ventolin HFA \(albuterol\)](#) inhalation aerosol.
- Ventolin HFA is approved for the treatment or prevention of bronchospasm in patients aged 4 years and older with reversible obstructive airway disease and for the prevention of exercise-induced bronchospasm in patients aged 4 years and older.
- Albuterol is also available generically as oral [tablets](#), oral [extended-release tablets](#), oral [syrup](#), inhalation nebulizer [solution](#), and combination [ipratropium/albuterol](#) inhalation solution, and as branded inhalation aerosol ([ProAir[®] HFA](#) and [Proventil[®] HFA](#)) and inhalation powder ([ProAir Respiclick[®]](#)).
 - Albuterol tablets and extended-release tablets are approved for the relief of bronchospasm in adults and children 6 years of age and older with reversible obstructive airway disease.
 - Albuterol syrup is approved for the relief of bronchospasm in adults and children 2 years of age and older with reversible obstructive airway disease.
 - Albuterol nebulizer solution is approved for the relief of bronchospasm in patients 2 years of age and older with reversible obstructive airway disease and acute attacks of bronchospasm.
 - Ipratropium/albuterol is approved for the treatment of bronchospasm associated with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease in patients requiring more than one bronchodilator.
 - ProAir HFA, Proventil HFA and ProAir Respiclick carry the same indications as Ventolin HFA.
- Prasco's authorized generic for Ventolin HFA will have a wholesale acquisition cost (WAC) < \$36.00. This cost represents a ~35% reduction in WAC cost vs. Ventolin HFA.



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