



How do I know which drugs are checked for safety? Here are step by step instructions to view medications on the Aetna [“Premier Plus Formulary”](#)?

STEP 1: Start search at www.aetna.com/formulary

STEP 2: Scroll half-way down the page to the **“Search for a medication”** section and click on **“Premier Plus plans >”** under the Choose your pharmacy plan type section.

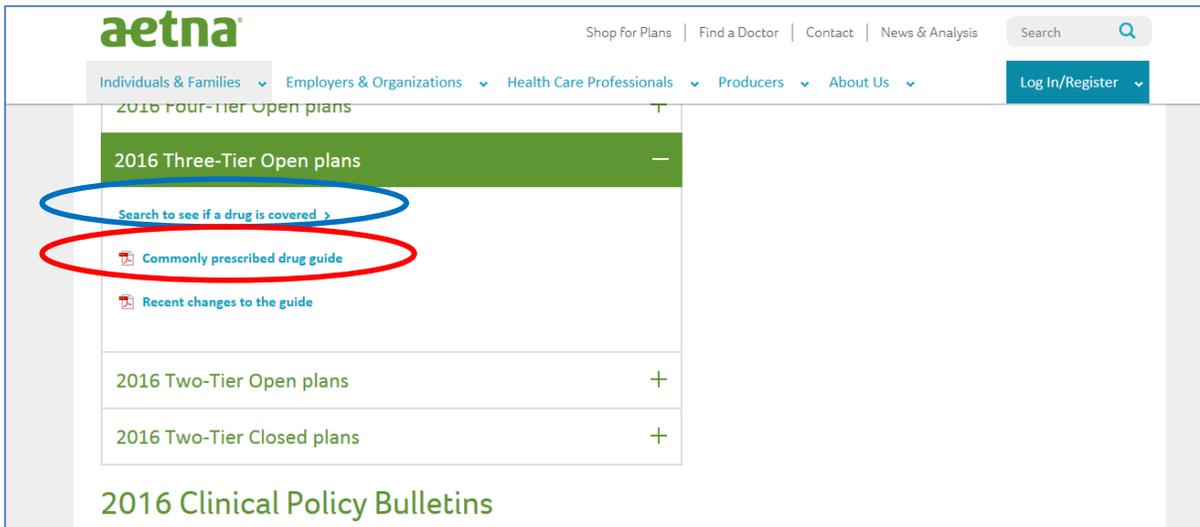
The screenshot shows the Aetna website's search interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Aetna logo and links for 'Shop for Plans', 'Find a Doctor', 'Contact', and 'News & Analysis'. Below this is a secondary navigation bar with categories like 'Individuals & Families', 'Employers & Organizations', 'Health Care Professionals', 'Producers', and 'About Us'. The main heading is 'Search for a medication'. Below the heading, there is a section titled 'Choose your pharmacy plan type:' with a list of options: 'Value plans >', 'Value Plus plans >', 'Premier plans >', 'Premier Plus plans >', and 'Commercial fully insured plans >'. The 'Premier Plus plans >' link is circled in red.

STEP 3: Scroll down the page until you see the Tier Open Plan options. Click on **“2016 Four-Tier Open plans”**.

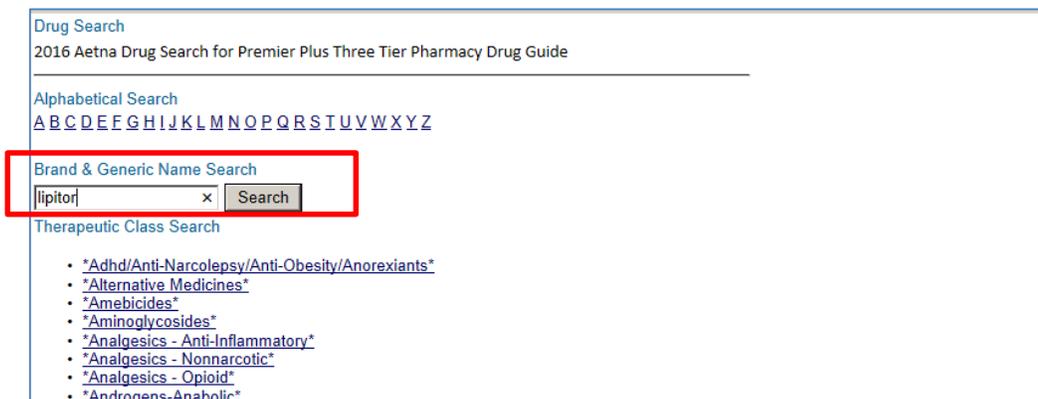
The screenshot shows a section of the Aetna website titled 'I don't know how many tiers my plan has'. It includes a sub-heading '2016 Four-Tier Open plans' which is circled in red. Below this, there is a table with three rows of tier options, each with a plus sign to its right.

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| 2016 Five-Tier Open plans | + |
| 2016 Four-Tier Open plans | + |
| 2016 Three-Tier Open plans | + |

STEP 4: Click on [“Search to see if a drug is covered >”](#) link. This will take you to an online drug search listing which is explained in Step 5. You can also open up the [“Commonly prescribed drug guide”](#) to see an entire listing of the Premier Plus Drug Formulary. This is a pdf document which you can use to search medications as well.



STEP 5: Once you have clicked on [“Search to see if a drug is covered >”](#) you are now in the online Drug Search program. You can search drugs by using [Alphabetical Search](#), [Search Box Look up](#) or [Therapeutic Class Search](#). We recommend using the [Search Box Look Up](#) function. In the example below, we looked up [“Lipitor”](#) as the drug we are trying to find.



STEP 6- The results of the Drug Search is displayed. The results will show the drug you are looking for and any generic equivalent medications. The results will also display what Tier the medication is on (Tier 1- Generic, Tier 2- Formulary Brand or Tier 3- Non-Formulary Brand).

Drug Search
2016 Aetna Drug Search for Premier Plus Three Tier Pharmacy Drug Guide

[Start Over](#)

Please select a drug from the list below to continue.

-  [atorvastatin calcium tablet 10 mg oral](#)
-  [atorvastatin calcium tablet 20 mg oral](#)
-  [atorvastatin calcium tablet 40 mg oral](#)
-  [atorvastatin calcium tablet 80 mg oral](#)
-  [Lipitor TABLET 10 MG ORAL](#)
-  [Lipitor TABLET 20 MG ORAL](#)
-  [Lipitor TABLET 40 MG ORAL](#)
-  [Lipitor TABLET 80 MG ORAL](#)

Results are displayed

FINAL STEP- If you click on the **exact medication you are searching for**, as displayed in the results section of the drug search feature, you will be provided additional information about your medication. Below is a sample of the categories that could be displayed. You will be able to quickly determine what **Tier your medication** is on and if there are **any Restrictions that may apply**. If the drug you are taking has a **Prior Authorization or Step Therapy Restriction** you will be able to receive one fill- up to a 30 day supply. After this, checkpoints begin to apply and you will need to contact your doctor to have them ask for an authorization or choose a different drug.



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| atorvastatin calcium tablet 20 mg oral © | *Antihyperlipidemics* *Hmg Coa Reductase Inhibitors** - *Hmg Coa Reductase Inhibitors*** | TABLET 20 MG |  Tier 1 |
| Lipitor Tablet 20 Mg Oral atorvastatin calcium | *Antihyperlipidemics* *Hmg Coa Reductase Inhibitors** - *Hmg Coa Reductase Inhibitors*** | TABLET 20 MG |  Tier 3 |

Tier and any restrictions will be displayed here

Definition of Symbols

| Status | Definition |
|--|---------------------|
|  Tier 1 | Tier 1 |
|  Tier 2 | Tier 2 |
|  Tier 3 | Tier 3 |
|  Tier 4 | Tier 4 |
|  Tier 5 | Tier 5 |
|  Non-Formulary | Non-Formulary |
| Restriction | Definition |
|  Generic Indicator | Generic Indicator |
|  Member Note | Member Note |
|  Prior Authorization | Prior Authorization |
|  Step Therapy | Step Therapy |

This Definition of Symbols will always be displayed

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