Search and Monograph Navigation

Search Using the Drug Name/NDC

From the opening screen, enter any drug name in the search box and click the “Search” button. To assist with searching, a drop-down list will appear after you enter at least two (2) characters. The initial search is a quick-search for Drug Facts & Comparisons (DFC) monographs. To link directly to the desired drug monograph, click on the search term that includes the route (e.g., gabapentin oral) and you will be linked directly to the monograph. If the routed monograph is not chosen, all DFC monographs matching that search term will be displayed. Click on the hyperlink to access the monograph you wish to view. You can also locate specific products by searching with the NDC. To reach the drug monograph linked by the NDC, enter the NDC into the search box and press “Search.” The search results will map to the monograph corresponding to the NDC and open to the Product List tab.

Navigating Content within a Drug Monograph

Within a specific drug monograph window, you can navigate the content quickly by using the Navigation Tree on the left side 1 or the “Jump to Section” drop-down menu on the right 2. For a more detailed search, use the “Find in document” search bar to locate specific terms within the monograph 3. You can also scroll through the entire document.

Accessing Product Lists and Patient Education Leaflets

In addition to the monograph information, more content is available via the tabs across the top of the monograph window. Clicking on these tabs will give users access to information on the dosage forms for the drug, adult and pediatric patient education material. The Product List tab can be sorted to help find the desired product. Click the “See More” button to see the NDC, image, and other details.
The Clinical Decision Tool Bar

The blue Clinical Decision Tool Bar provides access to all clinical tools that are included in the user’s account. This bar is always available from any screen in the application. The tools available will depend on the account configuration.

- **Product Availability**

The Product Availability tool can locate products with the same drug, dose form, and strength, helping the user to determine which product would be best for his or her particular situation. Enter the NDC or drug name into the search box. If a drug name is used, select the correct routed drug from the drop-down menu. Once “Search” is pressed, a list of strengths is displayed.

Click on the “Package Details” link to see the products that have the same drug, dose form, and strength. You can click on the NDC to be taken to the drug monograph for that product.

- **Interactions**

The Interactions tab provides an extensive drug/drug, drug/herbal and drug/disease interaction analysis program that allows users to enter medications (both prescription and over-the-counter), natural products, drug allergies, and conditions for analysis. In addition, users can add screening for pregnancy/lactation and duplicate therapy warnings. Once the list is complete, click the “Analyze” button to perform an analysis.

The Interaction Analysis screen provides a summary of interactions and an assigned risk rating (Severe, Moderate, or Minor). Each interaction provides a link to more detailed information.

- **Drug ID**

Drug ID is an application that allows identification of tablets, capsules, and various other dosage forms by entering known product characteristics, such as: Imprint, Dosage Form, Shape, and Color. Results and additional product information are displayed with a link to more information.

- **Calculations**

This is an extensive medical calculations tool including dosage conversions, adult and pediatric organ function assessment, and other conversion calculations.

- **Patient Education**

Create patient packets that include drug, disease and procedure leaflets (available in up to 19 languages, depending on your subscription). Customize with your institution’s name and include treatment notes.

- **References**

Links to immunization information, manufacturers, don’t crush/don’t chew, and other references are located in the References section on the home page.