

## **PRESCRIPTION AND CO-PAY ASSISTANCE**

Prescription Assistance programs mainly provide prescription assistance services to people without insurance. When a person loses their job they will most likely lose prescription drug coverage, unless coverage is continued under COBRA or their employer has agreed to extend them for a certain amount of time.

### **Generic Drugs - The Unadvertised Brand**

Web site: [www.theunadvertisedbrand.com](http://www.theunadvertisedbrand.com)

Generic drugs are held to the same federal Food and Drug Administration standards for safety and performance as the brand names, yet can sell for 30-80 percent less.

Many stores now have low cost generic drugs. Target, Wal-Mart, Meijer, Kmart, Kroger, and possibly more to follow. Find your local store and call to see what medicines you might be able to get for \$4-\$6 a month. Meijer also offers FREE antibiotics and pre-natal vitamins.

### **Wayne County**

#### **Wayne County HealthChoice**

Discount Prescription Card  
640 Temple, 3rd Floor  
Detroit, MI 48201  
Toll-free (800) WELL-NOW  
Phone: (313) 833-3450  
Fax: (313) 833-3429 or  
(313) 833-7175  
Web site:

[www.waynecounty.com/hhs\\_hchoice\\_prescdrugcard.htm](http://www.waynecounty.com/hhs_hchoice_prescdrugcard.htm)

A discount drug card program called the Wayne County Discount Prescription Card is now available to all Wayne County residents. The program, which provides a free discount prescription card, will provide savings of up to 75% on prescription drugs with average savings of around 30%. There are no restrictions to membership, no income

restrictions, no age limit and no applications to fill out.

### **World Medical Relief Affordable Prescriptions Program**

11745 Rosa Parks Blvd.  
Detroit, Michigan 48206-1270  
Phone: (313) 866-5333  
Fax: (313) 866-5588  
Email: [info@worldmedicalrelief.org](mailto:info@worldmedicalrelief.org)  
Web site: [www.worldmedicalrelief.com](http://www.worldmedicalrelief.com)

Safe: State-licensed pharmacy  
Affordable: \$8.30 per RX  
Convenient: Mailed directly to your home

You may qualify if you:

- Are 18 years of age or older
- Earn \$19,000 or less per year if you are an individual; \$31,000 for a couple. (Add \$300 for each additional dependent).
- Do not have prescription drug coverage, even though you may have health insurance.
- Are not currently enrolled in Medicaid

### **State of Michigan**

#### **Michigan Drug Prices**

Web site: [www.michigandrugprices.com](http://www.michigandrugprices.com)

The drugs selected for this website are 150 of the most commonly prescribed drugs in Michigan; prices are obtained from Medicaid prescriptions and represent many of the State's retail pharmacies.

#### **MiRx (My Prescription)**

MiRx Enrollment  
P.O. Box 30412  
Lansing, MI 48909  
Phone: (800) 259-8016  
Web site: [www.mihealth.org/mirx/index.html](http://www.mihealth.org/mirx/index.html)

The MiRx Card program is free. There is no cost for the card. There is no cost to enroll in the program. And, the MiRx card is easy to use. MiRx card holders will take their prescription and their MiRx card to their local participating pharmacy. The pharmacist will fill

the prescription and charge the MiRx discounted price.

## **National**

### **1020 RX Prescription Plan**

330 East 63rd Street, Suite 1H  
New York, NY 10065  
Phone (800) 710-2079  
Web site: [www.1020rx.com](http://www.1020rx.com)

The 1020 RX Tiered Pricing Pharmacy Plan saves you money and takes the guess work out of paying for prescription medications.

### **AARP Prescription Discount Program**

Phone: (800) 289-8849  
Web site: [www.aarp-pharmacy.com](http://www.aarp-pharmacy.com)

The AARP Prescription Discount Program was created to provide AARP members exclusive discounts on FDA-approved prescription medications and specialty drugs at participating retail network pharmacies.

### **Benefits CheckUp**

Email: [comments@benefitscheckup.org](mailto:comments@benefitscheckup.org)  
Web site: [www.benefitscheckup.org](http://www.benefitscheckup.org)

Many older people need help paying for prescription drugs, health care, utilities and other basic needs.

Find out what services are available for senior citizens & disabled individuals.

### **Caring Voice Coalition**

8249 Meadowbridge Road  
Mechanicsville, VA 23116  
Phone: (804) 427-6468  
Toll Free: (888) 267-1440  
Email: [CVCInfo@caringvoice.org](mailto:CVCInfo@caringvoice.org)  
Web site: [www.caringvoice.org](http://www.caringvoice.org)

Caring Voice Coalition may pay a portion or a patient's entire share of cost under the patient's health insurance plan. We offer.

- Insurance premium assistance
- Insurance co-payment assistance
- Medicare prescription drug assistance

### **Chronic Disease Fund**

10880 John W. Elliott Drive  
Suite 400  
Frisco, TX 75034  
Phone: (972) 712-0201  
Toll Free: (877) 968-7233  
Email: [info@cdfund.org](mailto:info@cdfund.org)  
Web site: [www.cdfund.org](http://www.cdfund.org)

The Chronic Disease Fund is one of the few charitable organizations to provide direct and immediate financial assistance to underinsured patients with chronic disease, cancers or life-altering conditions who cannot afford the co-payments for the expensive medications they need.

### **Merck Patient Assistance Program**

Merck & Co., Inc.  
One Merck Drive  
P.O. Box 100  
Whitehouse Station, NJ 08889  
Phone: (800) 727-5400  
Web site: [www.merck.com/merckhelps/patientassistance/home.html](http://www.merck.com/merckhelps/patientassistance/home.html)

This private and confidential program provides medicine free of charge to eligible individuals, primarily the uninsured who, without our assistance, could not afford needed Merck medicines.

### **Needy Meds**

P.O. Box 63716  
Philadelphia, PA 19147  
Web site: [www.needymeds.com](http://www.needymeds.com)

NeedyMeds is a 501(c) (3) non-profit with the mission of helping people who cannot afford medicine or healthcare costs. The information at NeedyMeds is available anonymously and free of charge.

### **Partnership for Prescription Assistance**

Phone: (888) 477-2669  
Web site: [www.pparx.org](http://www.pparx.org)

The Partnership for Prescription Assistance brings together America's pharmaceutical companies, doctors, other health care providers, patient advocacy organizations and community groups to help qualifying patients

who lack prescription coverage get the medicines they need through the public or private program that's right for them.

**Patient Advocate Foundation**

421 Butler Farm Road  
Hampton, VA 23666  
Phone: (800) 532-5274  
Fax: (757) 873-8999  
Email: [help@patientadvocate.org](mailto:help@patientadvocate.org)  
Web site: <http://www.patientadvocate.org>

Patient Advocate Foundation offers assistance to patients with specific issues they are facing regarding insurance, job retention and/or debt crisis matters relative to their diagnosis of life threatening or debilitating diseases.

**Rx Hope**

P.O. Box 5836  
Somerset, NJ 08875  
Phone: (877) 267-0517  
Email: [CustomerService@RxHope.com](mailto:CustomerService@RxHope.com)  
Web site: [www.rxhope.com](http://www.rxhope.com)

RxHope is exactly what its name implies...a helping hand to people in need in obtaining critical medications that they would normally have trouble affording. RxHope acts as your advocate in making the patient assistance program journey easier and faster by supplying vital information and help.

**Together Rx Access, LLC**

PO Box 9426  
Wilmington, DE 19809-9944  
Phone: (800) 444-4106  
Web site: [www.togetherrxaccess.com](http://www.togetherrxaccess.com)

Most cardholders save 25%–40%\* on brand-name prescription products.

\*Each cardholder's savings depend on such factors as the particular drug purchased, amount purchased, and the pharmacy where purchased.