

PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISCOUNT PROGRAMS & CARDS

TIPS TO CONSIDER BEFORE USING A DRUG DISCOUNT PROGRAM

1. There are a variety of Prescription Drug Discount Programs provided by: Local, County, State and the Federal Government; Non-profits; Pharmaceutical Companies; Pharmacies. Always consult with your physicians, as they may have access to samples or be able to provide other options. And always ask at your local pharmacy, as they often have information on the most current drug discount programs.
2. Most Prescription Drug Discount Programs are reputable, but beware of scams. Some programs may also have hidden fees, **so always ask about the cost.** No program in particular is recommended, but those in this booklet have been researched as carefully as possible.
3. Like most Prescription Drug Discount Programs, the amount of savings depends on the pharmacy and the drug. Generally, there are greater savings with generic drugs and 3 month supplies done by mail order.
4. Before contacting a program, prepare a list of:
 - " All your medications;
 - " Their milligrams & dosage;
 - " Current price.
5. Some programs that are income eligible may ask for income information from last year's tax return. If you or a member of your household has had a reduction in income this year, request that your eligibility be based on your current income.
6. The majority of prescription drug discount programs cannot be combined with others, so be certain to review your options & choose the best one for you.
7. Beware online pharmacies — many are fake. Always check for the Vipps Seal. VIPPS stands for the Verified Internet Pharmacy Practice Sites and the Seal indicates accreditation & adherence to local & national standards.
8. Never provide any personal information or provide payment until you know that the program is legitimate.

COUNTY -BASED FREE DRUG DISCOUNT PROGRAMS WITH WELLNESS (*No wellness)

Atlantic

877 321-2652

<http://www.rxprintacard.biz/naco/> (Enter zipcode)

Bergen

201 336-7400

<http://www.co.bergen.nj.us/>

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Burlington
877 321-6755
<http://freedrugcard.us/county/burlington-county-nj-discount-drug-card.html>

Cape May
877 321-6755
<http://capemaycountynj.gov/833/Prescription-Drug-Card>

Cumberland
877 776-2285
<http://www.co.cumberland.nj.us/>

Essex
877 321-6755
<http://www.essex-countynj.org/wellness2012.pdf>

Newark*
800 931-8872
<http://www.coast2coastrx.com/cities/nj/newark/>

Gloucester
800 808-1213
<http://www.co.gloucester.nj.us/depts/h/hedss/healiv/wellnessdis.asp>

Hudson
877 776-2285
<https://secure.proactrx.com/>

Mercer
877 776-2285
www.nj.gov/counties/mercerc/wellnessdiscount

Monmouth
732 431-7450
<http://www.visitmonmouth.com/page.aspx?ID=3553>

Ocean*
877 321-6755
<http://freedrugcard.us/county/ocean-county-nj-discount-drug-card.html>

Passaic
877 321-6755
<https://secure.proactrx.com/>

Salem
877 321-6755
<https://secure.proactrx.com/>

Sussex
877 321-6755
<https://secure.proactrx.com/>

Union
877 321-6755
<https://secure.proactrx.com/>

Warren*
800 808-1213
www.rxcut.com/wcs (Lab Tests/Imaging Services, no wellness)

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PROGRAM ELEMENTS

1. Free card
2. Prescription Drug Discounts
3. Can be used by those with insurance and as a supplement for Medicare Part D participants *in the donut hole*
4. No eligibility requirements
5. Wellness Component
6. Discounted Hearing Aids and Exams
7. Dental Care
8. Diabetic Supplies
9. Vision Exams, Eyeglasses, Contact Lenses, Lasik Eye Surgery
10. Pet Medications

NATIONWIDE PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISCOUNT PROGRAMS & CARDS

Important note

- *Know the manufacturer of each drug. Generic drugs may be manufactured by companies that are different from the manufacturers of the brand names.*
- *Also, there are many more prescription discount programs than those listed here. Talk to your doctor or go on line for more information.*

DISCOUNTS PROVIDED BY PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES

Partnership for Prescription Assistance

888 477-2669 www.pparx.org

- " Provides 245 different assistance programs
- " Helps with over 2,500 medicines

Pfizer

866 706-2400 www.PfizerHelpfulAnswers.com

GlaxoSmithKline

866 475-3678 <http://www.gskforyou.com/>

Note: The three programs above & others provided by pharmaceutical manufacturers vary in the way they operate, so it is important to identify the program that works best for you. Some programs:

- " Have INCOME ELIGIBILITY requirements and others have NONE
- " Assist individuals with NO CURRENT PRESCRIPTION DRUG INSURANCE and others CAN BE USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH INSURANCE and/or by Medicare Part D subscribers *in the donut hole*
- " Provide the drugs FREE and others have SLIDING FEES
- " Provide Prescription Drug Discounts Only and others may provide WELLNESS PROGRAMS - dental, eyeglasses, etc.

NON-PROFIT & GOVERNMENT SPONSORED

Familywise Prescription Drug Discount Card 800 222-2818 www.familywise.org

- " United Way distributed Prescription Drug Discount Program
- " Free Card
- " NO ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

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" Can be used by Medicare Part D subscribers *in the donut hole*

Department of Veterans Affairs 877 222-8387 (VETS) <http://www.va.gov/>

(Under "Are you Interested in" Click on "Exploring your Health Benefits")

Offers medical and prescription benefits to retired service men and women.

Co-pays for a 30-day supply of medications are determined through VA guidelines.

WHAT ARE FEDERALLY-QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS?

New Jersey's Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) offer a wide range of health care services for the entire family.

You don't need health insurance to get care at a center. Centers serve the uninsured and underinsured, as well as patients with Medicaid, Medicare and private insurance.

If you're uninsured, your bill will be based on your ability to pay. No one is ever turned away for lack of funds.

Services provided by the centers include:

- Pediatric Services/Well Baby Care
- Women's Health/Prenatal Care
- Adolescent Health
- Internal and Family Medicine
- Geriatrics
- Foot Care
- Mental Health
- Dental Care
- Social Services
- Case Management Nutritional Counseling (WIC)
- Health Education
- Evaluation for Sexually Transmitted Diseases
- HIV/AIDS Counseling and Testing
- HIV/Hepatitis C Medical Care
- Eligibility for Medicare/Medicaid
- Laboratory Services
- Referrals for Specialty Care
- Pharmacy Services
- Outreach and Marketing
- Patient Transportation

Each year, more than 400,000 patients make more than a million visits to the centers. New Jersey is expanding this network of care to medically underserved areas of the state so that residents will have greater access to primary and preventive health care.

US Dept of Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration

Federally Funded Qualified Health Centers - New Jersey

<http://www.nj.gov/health/fhs/fqhc/>

Federally Funded Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) care for you, even if you have no health insurance.

Payment is based on income. Click on the FQHC Directory on the left of the homepage, then click on your county for the center nearest you.