

# Prescription Assistance Resources

(community resources for low income and uninsured)

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*Please note: For proper disposal of prescription medication, please see the separate resource list for "Prescription and OTC Medication Drop-Off Sites" at [www.mercy.net/mnm](http://www.mercy.net/mnm).*

## Tips

1. Ask your doctor's office or clinic about ways to reduce prescription costs.
  - Is there a pharmacy at your health center/physicians office?
  - Are free samples available?
  - Is this prescription for the generic medication?
  - Are there pharmacies, grocery or department stores in the area that offer discounts?
  - Can a social worker assist me?
2. Sign up and print out the Missouri Drug Card that is free and provides savings of up to 75% on prescriptions drugs with an average savings of around 30%. Program is open to every resident of the state. There are no income limitations, no age restrictions, and no applications to fill out. [www.missouridrugcard.com](http://www.missouridrugcard.com)
3. Go online and take the name of the drug you're interested in and add '.com'. For example, if you're interested in Lipitor, you would type lipitor.com. This should take you directly to the manufacturer's website, which will give you credible information on coupons and/or assistance that is available.

## Local Pharmacies

### **Dierbergs Pharmacy**

[www.dierbergs.com](http://www.dierbergs.com)

30-day prescriptions for \$4.00 or \$9.00, 90-days for \$10.00 or \$24.00 on generic meds. Contact your local Dierbergs Pharmacy or go online for a list of prescriptions available.

### **Kmart Pharmacy**

[www.kmart.com](http://www.kmart.com)

30-day prescriptions for \$5.00, 90-days for \$10.00, 5%-35% off other generic meds or 5%-20% savings on all name brand meds. Enrollment is \$10 annually for an individual or family. Contact your local Kmart Pharmacy for a list of prescriptions available.

### **Schnucks**

[www.schnucks.com](http://www.schnucks.com)

30-day prescriptions for \$4.00, 90-days for \$10.00 on generic meds. Contact your local Schnucks Pharmacy or go online for a list of prescriptions or antibiotics available.

### **Shop 'n Save**

[www.shopnsave.com/pharmacy](http://www.shopnsave.com/pharmacy)

Price match on medications with other competitors. Inquire at individual store about price match program.

### **Target**

[www.target.com](http://www.target.com)

30-day prescriptions for \$4.00, 90-days for \$10.00 on generic meds.

Contact your local Target Pharmacy or go online for a list of prescriptions available.

### **Walgreens**

[www.walgreens.com](http://www.walgreens.com)

30-day prescriptions are \$5-\$15, 90-day prescriptions are \$10-\$30 on generic meds through the Walgreens Prescription Savings Club. Enrollment for an individual is \$20 a year or \$35 a year for families. Additional adult family members living in the same household, like a parent or grandparent, need to enroll separately at the individual rate

### **WalMart/Sam's Club**

[www.walmart.com/pharmacy](http://www.walmart.com/pharmacy) or [www.pharmacy.samsclub.com](http://www.pharmacy.samsclub.com)

30-day prescriptions for \$4.00, 90-day prescriptions for \$10 on generic meds and some over-the-counter products. Free home delivery available. Contact your local Wal-Mart or Sam's Club Pharmacy or go online for a list of prescriptions available.

## Voucher Programs

### **St. Vincent DePaul Society Rx Outreach – Free Meds Voucher Program to Clients**

Must be referred to SVDP by local parish to be considered a client. Can get up to a 90-day prescriptions filled with a voucher. Call 211 to find the SSVDP parish-based conference in your area.

## Patient Assistance Programs

Patient assistance programs (PAPs) are programs set up by drug companies that offer free or low cost drugs to individuals who are unable to pay for their medication. All of the major drug companies have patient assistance programs, although every company has different eligibility and application requirements.

Companies offer these programs voluntarily; the government does not require them to provide free medicine.

### **AZ&ME - AstraZeneca**

[www.astrazeneca-us.com/medicines/help-affording-your-medicines](http://www.astrazeneca-us.com/medicines/help-affording-your-medicines)

1-800-AZandMe (292-6363)

Offers Rx Savings Programs for patients taking an AstraZeneca medicine.

### **Bridges to Access – GlaxoSmithKline**

[www.bridgestoaccess.com/](http://www.bridgestoaccess.com/)

1-866-728-4368

Offers GSK medicines to eligible patients at no cost

### **Dispensary of Hope**

[www.dispensaryofhope.org](http://www.dispensaryofhope.org)

1-888-428-HOPE (4673)

### **FamilyWize**

<http://familywize.org/>

1-800-222-2818

Prescription discount card

### **GoodRx**

[www.goodrx.com](http://www.goodrx.com)

1-866-788-8452

Free Prescription Drug Savings Card /Pharmacy Discount Card available by phone, online or “Good Rx” app. Offers up to 80% reduced prescriptions at most pharmacies. Available to those uninsured or if prescriptions not covered by insurance.

## **Healthcare Alliance**

1-888-854-1317

Call for free Pharmacy Discount Card.

Available to those uninsured or if prescriptions not covered by insurance.

## **Johnson & Johnson Patient Assistance Foundation, Inc.**

[www.jjpaf.org](http://www.jjpaf.org)

1-800-652-6227

Most patients without insurance and with limited incomes qualify for the patient assistance program. See website for information on the application process.

## **Partnership for Prescription Assistance**

[www.pparx.org](http://www.pparx.org)

1-888-4PPA-NOW (1-888-477-2669)

Helps qualifying patients without prescription drug coverage get the medicines they need for free or nearly free

## **Prescription Hope**

<https://prescriptionhope.com/>

1-877-296-HOPE (4673)

Offers prescription medications to patients, \$25 per medication per month.

## **Pfizer Helpful Answers® – Prescription Assistance Programs**

[www.phahelps.com](http://www.phahelps.com)

1-866-706-2400

## **Rx Assist**

<http://rxassist.org/>

401-729-3284

Offers information on pharmaceutical programs, prescription discount card, and drug coupons

## **Rx Hope**

[www.rxhope.com/](http://www.rxhope.com/)

Offers information and assistance with navigating patient assistance programs

## **Rx Outreach**

<http://rxoutreach.org/>

1-800-769-3880

A non-profit pharmacy offering low-cost medication.

## **UnitedHealthcare Rx Assistance Program**

[www.uhccf.org/apply/](http://www.uhccf.org/apply/)

For Children under 16 years old

## Specialized Programs

### **AARP**

[www.aarp.org](http://www.aarp.org)

1-888-OUR-AARP (1-888-687-2277)

Prescription discounts to those 50 years of age and older on medications not covered by your insurance.

### **Benefits Check Up RX**

[www.benefitscheckup.org](http://www.benefitscheckup.org)

Discounts to those 55 years of age and older on prescription medications

### **Blink Health**

1-844-366-2211

[www.blinkhealth.com](http://www.blinkhealth.com)

Pay for your prescriptions online and pick them up at any major retail pharmacy. Substantially lower costs available to those who fill their prescriptions through Blink. Refunds are available before pick up if a better price is available through insurance.

### **BREATH (Bridging Resources to Encourage Asthma Treatment and Health)**

314-645-2422

<http://aafastl.org/BREATH>

\*For residents of St. Louis or Jefferson County.

A program for children or young adults who have been diagnosed with asthma or serious allergies. Qualified applicants receive prescription assistance, medical equipment, education, and support.

### **Common Patient Assistance Program Application Tool**

<http://hab.hrsa.gov/patientassistance/index.html>

Allows uninsured individuals living with HIV to use one application to apply for multiple assistance programs.

### **Drug Manufacturer Coupons**

[www.internetdrugcoupons.com](http://www.internetdrugcoupons.com)

Sign up for a free Rx savings card and gain access to a database of coupons for prescription and non-prescription drugs.

### **Good Days (formerly Chronic Disease Fund)**

<http://www.gooddaysfromcdf.org/>

Provides financial assistance for prescription drug co-payments as well as longterm emotional support for chronic disease or cancer patients.

### **HealthWell Foundation**

<http://healthwellfoundation.org/>

1-800-675-8416

Assists patients living with chronic and life-altering illnesses by paying for prescription drug copayments, deductibles, and health insurance premiums

### **Patient Access Network (PAN) Foundation**

[www.panfoundation.org/](http://www.panfoundation.org/)

Provides underinsured patients with co-payment assistance through disease-specific programs that give them access to the treatments they need.

### **Patient Advocate Foundation**

<https://www.copays.org/>

Provides financial assistance to qualified patients, including those insured through federally administered health plans such as Medicare, for co-payments, co-insurance and deductibles required by a patient's insurer for pharmaceutical treatments and/or prescription medications.

### **UnitedHealthcare Children's Foundation**

[www.uhccf.org](http://www.uhccf.org)

Provides grants to children for medical services not covered or not completely covered by commercial health benefit plans.

**United Way Information & Referral:** Dial 2-1-1 or visit [www.211helps.org](http://www.211helps.org) to quickly and easily find non-emergency services in your area, including basic needs, physical and mental health resources, job programs, support for seniors and more. Now accessible via phone, online chat, self-service web directly, and mobile app.