

Resources to Reduce the Cost of Your Medications



1. GENERIC MEDICATIONS (all income levels)

- Generic medications are as active as brand-name.
- Generic medications are less expensive than brand-name.
- Ask your pharmacist if generics are available for your medications.
- Ask your pharmacy about additional discount offers.

2. FIND THE LOWEST COST AT WWW.GOODRX.COM (all income levels)

- GoodRx.com searches for the lowest price, coupons and discounts at pharmacies near you all for free. Prices may be even cheaper than your insurance copays.

3. PHARMACY DRUG DISCOUNT PROGRAMS (all income levels)

- Many pharmacies offer generic-drug discount programs:
 - ▶ **Walmart:** \$4 generic drugs**
 - ▶ **Target:** \$4 generic drugs**
 - ▶ **Walgreens:** \$20 membership; generic drugs \$10 - \$30.
Also, some discounted brand-name medications.**
 - ▶ **Costco:** visit *costco.com* to learn more about Costco's discount program.
- Ask if your pharmacy offers a discount program.
- Obtain the list of medications available on your pharmacy's discount drug formulary.
- Take this list to your next doctor visit.

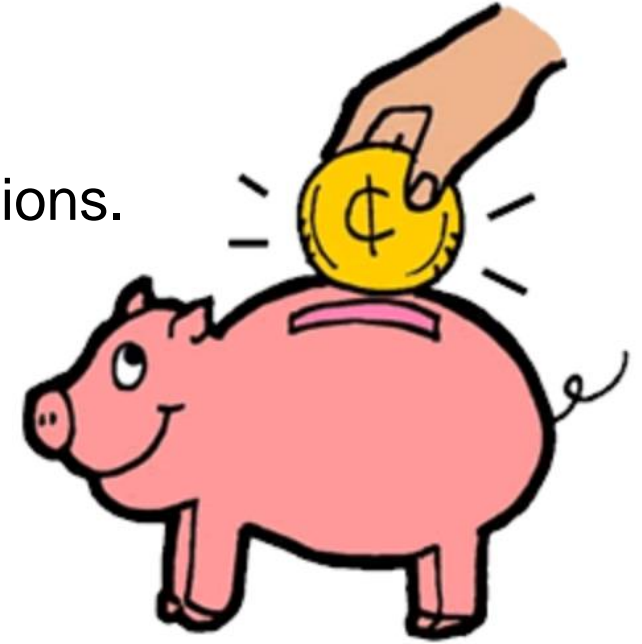
***Ask if your medications are covered by the discount program.*

Resources Used:
www.cahealthadvocates.org
www.medicare.gov
www.medi-cal.ca.gov

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4. PATIENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS (PAPs) (low income assistance)

- PAPs are supported & funded by drug manufacturers.
- PAPs provide discounted or free access to brand-name medications.
- Find PAPs available for your brand-name medications:
 - ▶ Medicare: medicare.gov
Search ☐ : *Patient Assistance Programs*
 - ▶ RxAssist: rxassist.org
 - ▶ RxOutreach: rxoutreach.org



5. GOVERNMENT SPONSORED PROGRAMS (Medicare & Medi-Cal Recipients)

- Medicare Members: www.medicare.gov; **Search** ☐ : *Extra Help Part D*
 - ▶ Decreases cost of prescription drug co-payments
 - ▶ Helps pay Medicare premium & deductible
- Medi-Cal Members: <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov>
Search ☐ : Prescription Drug Discount Program
 - ▶ Pharmacies registered with Medi-Cal provide discount prices for prescription drugs