



Florida Discount Drug Card

An Informational Fact Sheet



LOCAL HELP FOR PEOPLE WITH MEDICARE

1-800-963-5337

Florida Department of Elder Affairs, SHINE Program

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The **Florida Discount Drug Card** is designed to help lower the cost of prescription drugs for all Floridians. Discounts are made possible through a public-private partnership with Envision Pharmaceutical Services (EPS). The following information is provided to help Florida's elders and their caregivers make informed choices regarding this program.

ELIGIBILITY

Residents may participate regardless of age, income or pre-existing conditions. There are no waiting periods or membership fees and the card can be activated instantly.

HOW MAY THIS CARD HELP YOU?

► **SAVINGS** – Discounts are available on virtually every brand and generic prescription drug. The size of the discount depends on factors such as quantity, type and brand of drug. Visit the “Check Drug Pricing” index on the website or call the help desk.

► **MEDICARE** – The discount drug card may benefit Medicare recipients who are not currently enrolled in a Medicare Prescription Drug Plan.

► **MEDICAID** - Only recipients who must “spend down” (the individual is required to spend their own money for medical costs each month before Medicaid coverage begins) may use the discount card for out-of-pocket expenses until they become eligible for the Medicaid benefit.

► **DIABETIC SUPPLIES** - Diabetic supplies (test strips, syringes, glucose monitors) are discounted with a prescription from your doctor.

► **OTHER DISCOUNT CARDS** - The card may be used with other discount cards. You must choose which discount card to use at the time of purchase.

► **PHARMACIES** – Accepted by over 60,000 pharmacies nationwide. To find a pharmacy in your area, search the “Find a Pharmacy” tool on the website or call the help desk at the number listed below.

► **MAIL ORDER** - A 90-day mail order option is available through www.OrchardRx.com.

ADDITIONAL SAVINGS

Additional savings in the form of a manufacturer rebate is available if you are:

- Age 60 to 64 without prescription drug coverage and do not belong to a Medicare Prescription Drug Plan; or
- Under age 60 without prescription drug coverage and have an annual family income of \$32,490 or less for an individual, or \$43,710 or less for a couple. Income standards for larger families are listed on the program website.

A *temporary* discount card may be printed from the website and activates within three hours. You will also receive a physical card by mail for a one-time \$1.50 activation fee (added to the very first purchase).

TO SIGN-UP

You may sign-up for a Florida Discount Drug Card by contacting the following number or online at:

1-866-341-8894

(TTY 1-866-763-9630)

www.FloridaDiscountDrugCard.com

Information on the website is available in English, Spanish and Creole.

Discount drug cards may be printed from the website for no cost, or a physical card can be mailed directly to you for a one-time \$1.50 activation fee (added to the very first purchase).

FOR MORE INFORMATION on this discount card or other prescription cost saving programs, contact the **SHINE** (Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders) program at **1-800-963-5337**.

SHINE provides free and unbiased health insurance counseling to elders, family members, caregivers and eligible persons with a disability. The **SHINE** program website can be found at: <http://www.floridaSHINE.org>.