

Prescription Savings for Those Without Insurance

Shop different pharmacies.

Call around to various pharmacies in your area and compare costs. Some buy directly from drugmakers while others use a go-between, which can increase prices.

Talk to your doctor.

They might have free samples to give you. Or they may prescribe a lower-cost generic option for your prescription meds.

Buy in bulk.

It's common for larger quantities of a medication to cost less per dose than smaller batches. With less frequent refills, you'll save on co-pays, too.

Try pharmacy savings cards or coupons.

Savings card programs are often free to sign up for and can cut your prescription costs a great deal. Some have eligibility requirements, such as an income threshold, but others are open to everyone.

See if you qualify for assistance.

Sites like RxAssist and RxHope, nonprofit organizations like NeedyMeds or Partnership for Prescription Assistance, or your state Medicaid office are good places to check for prescription assistance and drug discount programs.



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