

## Many Consumers Can Save More on Prescription Drugs with These Programs than With Insurance

Rising prescription drug costs can be a significant burden on families, but several programs offer substantial savings that many consumers might not be aware of. By leveraging these tools, you can reduce your expenses, often by much more than with using your medical insurance, and make your healthcare more affordable.

SingleCare is a free-to-use prescription discount service that negotiates low prices with pharmacies across the nation. Consumers can expect discounts on over 10,000 brand-name and generic drugs, potentially saving up to 80 percent on the retail price.

SingleCare operates with major pharmacy chains like CVS, Walgreens, Walmart, Kroger, and Rite Aid, ensuring broad access and convenience. Members should provide their prescription details accurately to receive the most precise price quotes. The program operates similarly to insurance and issues an ID card to its users. The SingleCare card is simply present to your pharmacist when filling a prescription to benefit from the negotiated savings.

Another powerful tool for reducing prescription costs is GoodRx. Available as both a website and an app, GoodRx allows consumers to compare prices of prescription medications across various pharmacies without needing insurance. By entering the medication, dosage, and quantity, consumers can find the best deals in their area. This platform highlights the substantial price differences among pharmacies, enabling consumers to choose the most cost-effective option.

Even if you have medical insurance, price comparison is important when using programs like this. Many consumers will find that these free programs offer better pricing on drugs than their insurers do. And in many cases, the savings will be even greater if you shop pharmacies.

Consumers looking to cut down on their prescription drug costs should consider enrolling in programs like SingleCare and utilizing tools like GoodRx. By taking the time to compare prices and leveraging available discounts, significant savings can be achieved, alleviating the financial burden of necessary medications.

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