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Delaware County Council Offers Discount Prescription Cards For County Residents

A new discount prescription card being offered by Delaware County Council could be just what the doctor ordered to help residents cope with the cost of prescription medication.

County Council, at its Dec. 1 meeting, approved a marketing and distribution agreement between the County and Trust Scripts LLC to promote the availability of prescription discount cards for use by individuals and families.

Trust Scripts is a free discount prescription card that is accepted at over 56,000 pharmacies nationwide, including independent pharmacies and major chains, such as CVS and Wal-Mart. The cards are completely free and require no sign-up. Residents simply present the card with their prescription script to the pharmacy before payment and available discounts are applied to the cost.

All Delaware County residents may use the discount card, regardless of whether or not they are insured. Discounts are available to the uninsured, the underinsured and the insured. Individuals with insurance plans and Medicare may enjoy discounts for drugs not covered by their current health plans.

“County Council understands that the cost of health care and prescription drugs is a challenge for many individuals and families,” said County Council Vice-Chairman Jack Whelan. “We hope this program helps ensure that people can get the medications they need to stay healthy.

Now that Council has approved the agreement with Trust Scripts, the cards will be made available at county libraries, senior centers, and county Human Services agencies.

The card fully explains how the program works. There is no enrollment, no paperwork, no fee.

The card is most helpful for people without prescription coverage, for senior citizens in the Medicare Part D coverage gap, and for people taking medication not covered by their insurance program.

In addition, the Trust Scripts Web site provides a helpful online drug-pricing tool to help residents find the best possible deal by shopping around. By typing in their medication name, dosage, and zip code, users receive an automated search of local pharmacy prices, for both brand name and generic drugs of their choice. A list of the most popular discounted medications is available on the Trust Scripts Web site.

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Christian Stearns, a Radnor native, co-founded the Trust Scripts organization with the mission of facilitating the way individuals receive their prescriptions.

“This is about helping people at a time when help is needed most,” said Stearns. “We created Trust Scripts to change the way people get prescription drugs they need, regardless of coverage, employment, or finances. Our card helps people.”

Residents may also print cards by visiting the Trust Scripts Web site. For more information on Trust Scripts, call (800) 340-0047 or visit their Web site at www.trustscripts.com.

How to use the Trust Scripts Discount Card

- Pick up a Trust Scripts card at a Delaware County library, senior center, or through Human Service agencies.
- Cards can also be downloaded and printed from the Trust Scripts Web site by visiting County Web site at www.co.delaware.pa.us. Print as many cards as needed for friends and family.
- Present card to pharmacy cashier every time you pay.
- The discounts are automatically applied to your bill before you pay. That's it!
- For more information on Trust Scripts, call (800) 340-0047 or visit their Web site at www.trustscripts.com