

Rx Help Handbook

Introduction & Listing Example

As a paramedic with over 27 years of experience, I have responded to countless number of 911 calls.

Throughout my career, I have seen the incredible impact that prescription medications have on the lives of patients.

People are living longer and better, thanks in part to the abundance of pharmaceuticals available to treat or control nearly every type of health problem.

However, medications are only effective if they are taken as your doctor prescribed, and you can only take them if you can afford to purchase them in the first place.

If you are uninsured or have insurance with sky high deductibles, finding the money each month to pay for your medications can be a challenge.

Too many people are skipping doses or leaving some of their expensive prescriptions unfilled. This type of "medication rationing" can lead to unnecessary/preventable emergency room visits, hospitalizations, and worsening of chronic medical conditions.

Seeing the ongoing struggle that patients endure, prompted me to do research regarding prescription drug savings programs... and I was totally blown away by what I discovered.

The more I looked, the more programs I found designed to help those who are uninsured, as well as those who have insurance with very large deductibles and co-payments.

Drug company savings offers, co-pay cards and patient assistance programs (covering people of nearly every income range) seemed to be everywhere.

I have to admit, like most people who watch and read the news these days, I was led to believe that the pharmaceutical companies were big, impersonal, profit driven entities that really didn't care about patients.

My research, as demonstrated by this Rx Help Handbook, tells a much different story.

Medication Program Listings are presented in an easy to read, quick reference format, allowing users to easily find assistance for the prescriptions they take every day. Example shown below:

HUMIRA® (adalimumab)

AbbVie, INC.

HUMIRA® Complete Savings Card

1-800-448-6472

www.humira.com

The graphic shows a flow from 'Income Limits NONE' to 'Rx cost' which leads to '\$5 Per Month' (with a dollar sign icon). To the right, there are three insurance status boxes: 'No Medical Insurance' with a large 'X', 'Commercial Insurance' with a checkmark, and 'Medicare Part D' with a large 'X'.

Eligible patients with commercial insurance pay as little as \$5/month for their HUMIRA® Rx.

AbbVie Patient Assistance Foundation

1-800-222-6885

www.abbviepaf.org

The graphic shows a flow from 'Income Limits \$60k Single / \$82k Couple' to 'Rx cost' which leads to 'FREE' (with a dollar sign icon). To the right, there are three insurance status boxes: 'No Medical Insurance' with a checkmark, 'Commercial Insurance' with a checkmark, and 'Medicare Part D' with a checkmark.

Rx assistance available to patients who are uninsured and meet program eligibility requirements. Patients with Commercial Insurance or Medicare Part D, who are struggling to pay for their medications, are encouraged to apply.