

Medication Assistance

Long-Term Prescription Programs:

Jackson County Prescription Discount Plan

788-4420

Jackson County Health Department
1715 Lansing Ave., Suite 221
Jackson, MI 49202

Service: provides *discount* (average 24%) on prescription drugs whenever the prescription is *not* covered (even partially) by insurance. Cannot use card to reduce insurance co-pays. May use out of county, too.

Eligibility: Jackson resident. No income or age restrictions.

Fee: none

Enroll: at website www.nacorx.org then click “print a card now.” Enter zip code and click submit. Enter name and email address, then print ID card. If no internet access, visit Health Dept. reception desk to pick up free card.

Expanded Medicaid or “Healthy Michigan Plan”

748-5500

Center for Family Health (ask for Financial Services office)
505 N. Jackson St.
Jackson, MI 49201

Service: Prescription coverage and health care for low-income adults *without* Medicare (see next entry on Medicare D.)

Eligibility: Income guidelines: income less than 138% FPL, or less than \$1396 income per month for singles; income less than \$1893 per month for couples. No asset test. (Income guidelines are for 2018.)

Medicare Prescription Coverage

1-800-633-4227

Service: Offers prescription drug insurance to anyone with Medicare. The standard benefit requires a monthly premium (about \$40/month), a yearly deductible of \$405, then Medicare pays about 75% of the first \$3,750 in prescription costs (2018 figures.) Folks with low incomes and low resources may qualify for government help paying the premium, deductible and co-pays. Annual enrollment period is October 15-December 7. For help comparing and/or enrolling in Medicare drug plans, or to see if you qualify for extra help, you may call the **local** Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAAP) at **1-800-803-7174**.

Health Pay

748-5500

Center for Family Health
505 N. Jackson St.
Jackson, MI 49201

Service: provides a discount on prescriptions and health care. Co-pays vary depending on income, family size and type of medication. Must fill prescription on site at Center for Family Health Pharmacy.

Eligibility: Must be patient of primary doctor at Center for Family Health and income less than 200% Federal Poverty Level (\$2023/month single, \$2743/month couple per 2018 guidelines.)

Veterans Prescription Coverage and Health Care

Veteran Affairs

788-4425

1715 Lansing Ave., Suite #265, Jackson, MI 49202

Community Based Outpatient Clinic

764-3609

4328 Page Ave, Michigan Center MI 49254
(third Friday of month to enroll in Health Care)

Service: Prescription coverage with \$5 or \$8 copays for generics or \$11 copays for brand name meds. Drugs are mailed to veteran. Must be enrolled in VA Health Care to receive meds.

Eligibility: military veteran of active duty, either disabled or with gross income basically less than \$32,000 if single, less than \$37,000 if married (from 2017 tax figures) after medical deductions taken, or Vietnam veteran who served on ground. No longer have asset limits. Must have initial VA doctor appointment at Ann Arbor or Jackson location to order meds.

To enroll: Apply for VA Health Care at local county VA office or 3rd Friday of month at CBOC office.

Pharmaceutical Company Programs

Pharmaceutical companies may offer “**patient assistance programs**” that provide 30-90 day supplies of medicines delivered to the doctor for qualifying low-income seniors who do not have drug insurance. Application process is lengthy and involves doctor’s staff as well as client to complete. Contact the national office of the drug company or www.needymeds.org for the eligibility criteria.

Emergency Prescription Assistance:

Mission of Hope Cancer Fund

782-4643

745 Lansing Ave.

Jackson, MI 49202

Service: help with prescriptions and other needs pertaining to cancer treatment, such as insurance premiums, lodging, and travel.

Eligibility: must have cancer diagnosis confirmed by doctor, and actively undergoing cancer treatment at time of request.

Medication Disposal programs:

Service: they accept unused or expired prescriptions at these locations for safe disposal. They take pills or powders, but cannot take liquids, injectable medications or inhalers. Call first to clarify procedure. Cross off personal information on prescription bottle.

Center for Family Health

Pharmacy

505 N. Jackson St.

Jackson, MI 49201

748-5400

Jackson County Sheriff

212 W. Wesley St.

Jackson, MI 49201

788-4200

Grass Lake Community Pharmacy

112 E Michigan Ave.

Grass Lake, MI 49240

522-4100

Michigan State Police

3401 Cooper St.

Jackson, MI 49201

780-4580

Jackson City Police

216 E Washington Ave.

Jackson, MI 49201

788-4100

Walgreens Pharmacy

1314 N. West Ave.

Jackson, MI 49202

783-1803

Medication Management Program

Region 2 Area Agency on Aging

592-1974

102 N Main

Brooklyn, MI 49230

Service: Assists person to correctly use their prescription or over-the-counter medications. If eligibility is met, a contracted nurse may assist by setting up meds, call on phone to remind client to take meds, or visit up to 2 times per day to assist with taking meds.

Eligibility: 60 years or older, medically frail, in need of medication management.

Fee: none

Medication Set-up for In-home Use by Senior:

Elder Care

764-1202

4727 Bennett Rd.

Jackson, MI 49201

Service: medical assistant visits every 1 or 2 weeks to set up meds in client's med box for the week.

Fee: \$18 per visit

Exact Care Pharmacy

1-877-355-7225

8333 Rockside Rd.

Valley View, OH 44125

Service: mail order pharmacy that delivers medications sorted and packaged into pouches according to day and time they need to be taken, eliminating need for client or family to set up pills for the day. Service intended for those with 5 or more medicines.

Eligibility: contact company to set up account. Employee makes homevisit for medicine list and medical history. Pharmacy contacts client's doctor to obtain prescriptions. Service starts in 3-4 weeks. Cannot serve Humana or veterans because those drug plans have their own mail order pharmacies.

Fee: no extra charge for packaging or delivery. Just pay usual drug copays according to drug insurance, like at a local pharmacy.