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Are you Unable To Pay for Your Prescription Drug Medication?

The Partnership for Prescription Assistance brings together America's pharmaceutical companies, doctors, other health care providers, patient advocacy organizations and community groups to help qualifying patients who lack prescription coverage get the medicines they need through the public or private program that's right for them. Many will get them free or nearly free. Its mission is to increase awareness of patient assistance programs and boost enrollment of those who are eligible. Through this site, the Partnership for Prescription Assistance offers a single point of access to more than 475 public and private patient assistance programs, including more than 180 programs offered by pharmaceutical companies.

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Help For Those In Need

Many people have difficulty affording health care, including prescription medicines. A number of patient assistance programs provide help to patients who lack prescription drug coverage and earn less than 200% of the federal poverty level (approximately \$19,000 for an individual or \$32,000 for a family of three). More than 27 million people in the United States make less than 200% of the federal poverty level and are uninsured. Eligibility/qualifications vary by program.

Access to the Medicines They Need

PPA helps low-income, uninsured patients by directing them to the public or private programs most likely to meet their needs:

- Enroll in more than 475 company patient assistance programs
- Access more than 2,500 medicines for free or at a low cost
- Learn how to contact government programs for which you may qualify such as Medicaid, Medicare or the State Children's Health Insurance Program

QUOTE OF THE MONTH:

"If you really want something you can figure out how to make it happen." ~Cher