



# Call, Enroll, and Save

Medicare-approved drug discount cards

**Get a card and get saving.**



# It's as Easy as 1, 2, 3

## If you haven't already signed up, join millions who are already saving...

If you're paying for the cost of your prescription drugs out of your own pocket, Medicare can help. With one of the Medicare-approved drug discount cards offered by a private company, you can save on covered brand-name drugs. You can save even more with generic drugs. Get a card today and get saving.

### 1 Call 1-800-MEDICARE...

There is more than one Medicare-approved drug discount card. Medicare can help you choose the one that's right for you. It's easy. Call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). **Ask about "drug cards."** TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048. You can also get this information at [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov) on the web. Select "Prescription Drug and Other Assistance Programs."

Just have these things ready:

- Your ZIP code
- Your medicines and doses (listed on your pill bottles)
- Your total monthly income

Medicare will use this information to tell you about your card choices.



Tony paid \$363.60 a month for Celebrex, Zocor, Paxil, and Norvasc. He called 1-800-MEDICARE to compare cards. With a Medicare-approved drug discount card, he now pays \$300.64. Tony saves \$62.96 a month or \$755.52 a year.

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## 2 Enroll in a card...

Once you choose a Medicare-approved drug discount card, call the company sponsoring it, and ask for an enrollment form. Fill out the enrollment form, and send it to the card sponsor. When your enrollment form is approved, you will get your drug discount card in the mail.

## 3 Save money...

You can start saving with your Medicare-approved drug discount card the month after the card sponsor receives your completed enrollment form. If you have a lower income, you could save even more money by getting a \$600 credit on your drug discount card in 2004 and another \$600 credit in 2005. You may qualify for the \$600 credit if you pay for your prescription drugs yourself and your monthly income in 2004 is **no more than**

- \$1,048 for a single person or
- \$1,406 for a married couple.

If you live in Alaska or Hawaii, income limits are higher. If your state helps pay your Medicare premiums, you may still qualify even if your income is above these limits.



Ruth just enrolled in a Medicare-approved drug discount card and got the \$600 credit. With the discount card and the \$600 credit, she reduced her bill for her prescriptions from \$150 to \$12.50 this month. Ruth saved 92% on her prescriptions the first month she had the card.

**Call Today!** Apply by December 31, 2004 and remember, if you qualify, you can get \$600 in both 2004 and 2005. That's \$1,200 towards your prescription drug costs.

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