

# Save money on specialty and other expensive drugs with our high-cost drug discount and patient assistance programs

Specialty and other high-cost prescription drugs have made headlines in recent years for their rising costs nationwide. If you're taking any of these medications regularly, you may be paying hundreds of dollars each time you get a refill. That can make it hard to afford your medicine, even though you know how important it is to take it as your doctor ordered.

## We can help

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan can help you meet that challenge. Our high-cost drug discount and patient assistance programs help you find and take advantage of manufacturer copayment and patient assistance programs that significantly lower your out-of-pocket costs for these expensive medications. You may even pay nothing for your medicine. You'll never pay more than the amount you paid before joining the program.

And the program is free.

#### How it works

- Blue Cross and BCN will identify all members who are taking a qualifying medication.
- Our vendor, PillarRx, will send you introductory information and then call to enroll you.
- A representative will explain how the program works, what to expect at the pharmacy and answer your questions.
- PillarRx sends all the information needed for your discount to your pharmacy.
- Only the amounts you pay for your prescriptions will apply to your plan's annual out-of-pocket maximum.
- If you take a drug that qualifies for the Payer Matrix patient assistance program, the representative will help you fill out the application and get information needed from your health care provider. This application may require some income and personal information that will be kept confidential.

If you have questions about your copay assistance, call PillarRx at 1-517-583-3944.

- This patient assistance program will enable you to receive the medication for free directly from the manufacturer, if you qualify.
- The PillarRx team will ensure you have your medication during the transition and may even have the manufacturer send you free drug samples.
- If you don't qualify for the Payer Matrix patient assistance program, you may be able to continue using the copay assistance available through PillarRx at your pharmacy.

We'll take care of the rest, and you save money. You don't need to do anything. You simply reap the savings.

### What members are saying

"My doctor told me how much this medicine is, and I had no idea how I was going to pay for it. I am so thankful that you are involved. This is easy."

"Thank you so much for your help. You have a great way of explaining everything in a way I understand."

"You have made my day. I didn't know I could get this prescription for free.
Thank you so much."

"This is a great program."

These high-cost drug discount and patient assistance programs are among the solutions Blue Cross offers to improve member health and lower costs. If you have questions about your copay assistance at any time, call PillarRx at **1-517-583-3944**.



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