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WILL COUNTY PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISCOUNT PROGRAM WIDELY USED IN FIRST FOUR MONTHS

JOLIET – The free Will County prescription drug discount program is helping area residents save money, according to Will County Health Department Executive Director John Cicero.

Will County launched its prescription drug discount program in January to help local consumers cope with the high price of prescription drugs. The county is making the free prescription drug discount cards available under a program sponsored by the National Association of Counties (NACo) that offers average savings of 22 percent off the retail price of commonly prescribed drugs.

“County residents filled 2,061 prescriptions during the first four months the program was offered locally,” Cicero said. “People using the cards enjoyed discounts averaging 22 percent – that’s a savings of \$9.55 per prescription.”

There is no cost to local taxpayers, Will County government, or NACo to make these money-saving cards available to area residents. The cards may be used by all county residents regardless of age, income, or existing health coverage.

More than 98,000 prescription drug discount cards have been distributed in Will County. The cards are widely accepted at pharmacies across the county. A national network of more than 59,000 participating retail pharmacies also honor the Will County prescription card.

The NACo discount cards are available at any Will County Health Department location. For more information about the card, visit www.willcountyhealth.org. County residents can also call toll free at 1-877-321-2652 toll free, or visit www2.caremark.com/naco for assistance with the program.

“Using the NACo prescription discount card is easy,” Cicero said. “Simply present the card at a participating pharmacy. There is no enrollment form, no membership fee and no restrictions or limits on frequency of use. Card holders and their family members may use the card any time their prescriptions are not covered by insurance.”

The NACo prescription discount drug program is administered by Caremark Rx, Inc.



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