

Tennessee Drug Card program could help Tennesseans

(MEMPHIS, Tennessee) -- The Tennessee Drug Card program is proud to announce that it will be providing free discount prescription drug cards to the residents of Tennessee. The program has no restrictions or participation requirements and is open to every resident of Tennessee. Residents can download a free discount drug card by visiting www.tennesseedrugcard.com.

The card can be used at more than 900 pharmacies across the state to receive savings up to 75 percent (savings average around 30 percent). Participating pharmacies include Rite Aid, BI-LO, Walgreens, Kroger and Target, as well as many other chain and independent pharmacies.

The Tennessee Drug Card was launched to help uninsured and under insured Tennesseans afford their prescription medications. However, the program can also be used by people who have health insurance with no prescription benefits such as Health Savings Accounts popular with self-employed individuals and small business owners. Additionally, people who already have prescription coverage can use this program for non-covered drugs.

Approximately 800,000 Tennesseans are without health insurance, according to the latest U.S. Census Bureau statistics – illustrating the need Tennessee residents have for assistance with health care costs, including prescription drug costs.

United Networks of America, the administrator for the Tennessee program as well as several other state drug card programs, has partnered with Health Access America, a non-profit organization, to get the word out about the cards.

"We appreciate the Tennessee Drug Card's work to offer a free program for people who can't afford to pay full price for their drugs or whose drug costs are not covered by their insurance plan," says Susan Everett of Health Access America.

For more information and to print a free card to present to the pharmacy, Tennessee residents can visit <http://www.tennesseedrugcard.com>. A list of participating pharmacies and medication discounts are available at the site.