

Resources for low-cost or no-cost prescription drugs or medical supplies and equipment

Prescription Connection

Prescription Connection is a program of the North Dakota Insurance Department that connects kids, families and people of all ages with free and discounted prescription drugs. If you are currently taking prescription drugs and you do not qualify for other prescription medication benefits, you may be eligible for this program. **For more information or to sign up for the program, please call 1-888-575-6611 or visit www.nd.gov/ndins**

North Dakota Drug Repository Program

The North Dakota Prescription Drug Repository Program collects and distributes unused medications so that pharmacies and physicians can dispense them to those who need them. A drug donated or dispensed under the program must be in the original, unopened package, except drugs packaged in single-unit doses, or punch cards, may be accepted and dispensed if the outside packaging has been opened and the single-unit dose package is unopened.

Those who choose to volunteer to participate in the dispensing of the donated drugs are defined as either a practitioner or pharmacy that has elected to participate in the program and accept prescription drugs, devices, and supplies from donors for the program. Those who receive the donations will be able to post the availability of the medications on a website, where both patients and practitioners can access the information. Pharmacies and practitioners must register with the Board of Pharmacy, as participants.



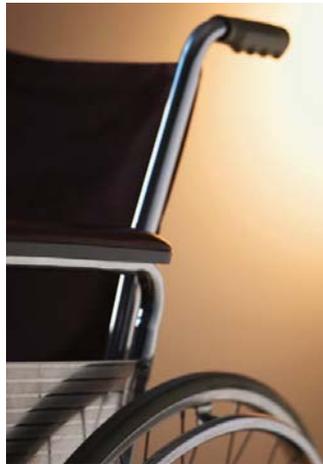
Before being dispensed to an eligible individual, the prescription drugs, devices, and supplies donated under the program must be inspected by a pharmacist to determine that they are not adulterated or misbranded. The participating pharmacist or practitioner must keep a record of the source of the donation for 2 years.



Because this is a volunteer program, the dispenser of donated prescription drugs, devices, or supplies may not submit a claim or otherwise seek reimbursement from any public or private third-party payer for the cost of donated prescription drugs, devices, or supplies dispensed to any eligible individual under the program. The distributor may charge a small fee of up to 2.5 times the Medicaid fee of \$4.60 to cover the costs of coordinating the repository. **For more information or to donate, search for donated drugs and supplies, or find out who the participating physicians and pharmacists are, go to <http://www.nodakpharmacy.com/PDRP-description.asp>**

Project HERO (Healthcare Equipment Recycling Organization)

Project HERO serves as a clearinghouse for unused healthcare supplies and durable medical equipment (DME) by providing access to much-needed healthcare materials to those in need. HERO works with over 100 different human and social service providers, non-profit organizations and public healthcare clinics to assist individuals with access to affordable healthcare supplies and equipment. **For more information or to find out what equipment and supplies they might have available or if you have something you would like to donate go to www.fmhero.org/index.html or call 218.284.6111.**



Additional Resources

You may want to check with your area Center for Independent Living (CIL), church, Veteran Service Organizations, ND Association for the Disabled (NDAD), or Easter Seals to find out if they have any equipment that can be used on loan for free or a minimal fee.

The ND Disability Health Project can provide technical assistance to assist with health promotion, staff training and education, and disability awareness. Contact us at 800.233.1737 or visit our website at www.ndcpd.org/health.



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Vision:

All people in ND have access to information and services they need to maintain good health and wellness. There are no health disparities between people with and without disabilities that are based solely on the presence of a disability.

Pay It Forward.....

Pass it on to others who may find this information helpful.