

## Program Benefits

Many seniors exist on or below poverty level incomes. With rising prescription costs, some seniors face the challenge of deciding whether to pay household bills, buy food or purchase medicine. If seniors reduce or stop taking their prescribed medications, a serious health episode or even death could occur.

Our needy seniors deserve help in improving the quality of their lives. Even with Medicare Part D benefits, some seniors are unable to afford the co-pay costs associated with the program.

### Volunteers

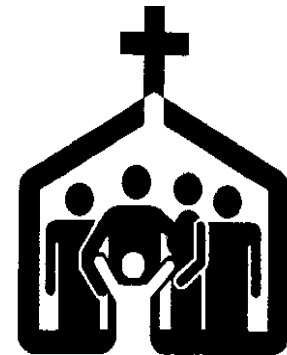
The Senior Pharmacy Program relies upon, and seeks caring and compassionate volunteers to assist with many tasks. If you are interested in helping, please call 252.638.3657 for additional information.



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## How the Program Works

The Senior Pharmacy Program began providing services in March of 1993. The Program is a collaborative effort of dedicated and trained volunteers, local pharmacies, participating physicians, pharmaceutical companies and diligent staff.

Referrals can be made by physicians, pharmacists or community agencies. Seniors are also welcome to call for an intake appointment on their own. The Program is open to people of all faiths or no faith tradition.

Local senior centers provide space for persons to be interviewed as new applicants. These centers also allow active clients to receive monthly vouchers toward prescription costs and/or limited medical supplies. The Program provides information and referral services for other resources when needed.

The mission of the Senior Pharmacy Program is to provide assistance to eligible senior adults, ages 60 and over, for prescription costs as well as medical supplies arising from chronic illnesses. Also, through the use of educational materials, the Program strives to increase awareness of health issues and concerns.

### Eligibility

To receive assistance with prescription costs and medical supplies, persons must:

- Be 60 or older
- Be low income, but not eligible for Medicaid
- Be in need of help for Medicare Part D co-pay costs
- Be without private medical insurance which has prescription coverage
- Meet a medical needs assessment
- Be a resident of Carteret, Craven, Pamlico or Jones Counties

For more information, or to make an appointment, please call

252.638.3657.

### Which Illnesses are Covered?

- Diabetes
- Heart Disease
- Cancer
- High Blood Pressure
- Acid Reflux Disease
- Arthritis
- Glaucoma
- Clinical Depression
- Chronic Pulmonary Diseases

Note: Post hospitalization medications may be covered on a limited basis.

## Our Supporters

- United Way of Coastal Carolina
- The Harold H. Bate Foundation
- Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina Foundation
- Other Local Grants
- Special Event Fundraisers
- Area Churches and Temples
- Donations from Individuals, Businesses & Civic Organizations

### What Can Your Gift Do?

- \$20 can purchase a box of insulin syringes
- \$30 - \$90 can purchase a bottle of insulin
- \$60 can purchase a month's supply of some generic blood pressure medicine
- \$90 can purchase a month's supply of eye drops for glaucoma

Monetary contributions are tax deductible. Please make checks payable to:

Senior Pharmacy Program