

Scott County Continues Prescription Drug Discount Program

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County Residents Take Advantage Of Free Discount Cards To Save Money On Prescription Drugs

April 12, 2012 — The NACO program has changed with an option for a \$1 per transaction revenue sharing fee for participating counties. Scott County has decided not to participate in the transaction revenue sharing fee and pass the savings onto our citizens. Last year, the Scott County free prescription drug discount program, saved Scott County residents \$349,481. Chairman Tom Sunderbruch announced that 34,183 prescriptions were filled with the card last year at discounts averaging 28.3% or \$10.05 per prescription.

Scott County launched the program in September of 2007 to help 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 24 percent off the retail price of commonly prescribed drugs.

Best of all, there is no cost to county taxpayers for NACo and Scott County to make these money saving cards available to our residents.

The cards may be used by all county residents, regardless of age, income, or existing health coverage, and are accepted at all the major pharmacies in Scott County. A national network of more than 59,000 participating retail pharmacies also honors the Scott County Prescription Discount Card.

Cards are available at County offices and participating pharmacies. County residents can call the County Administration Office at 563-326-8604 or visit www.scottcountyiowa.com for information on where to pick up the card. For assistance with the program, please contact your pharmacy or www.caremark.com/naco.

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