

The NPDP card is a way for people without prescription coverage to purchase prescription drugs at lower prices at the pharmacy. Any resident of Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, or Otsego counties who has limited or no drug coverage is eligible. People who present a NPDP card at a participating pharmacy can expect to save about 25% off the retail price. Savings will typically be between 5% and 25%. Discounts as high as 70% are possible, but not typical. Savings depend on the kind of medicines used, where you shop and if the pharmacy is already having a sale on medicine.

### **How does it work?**

Take your prescription and your NPDP card to your pharmacy. Almost all pharmacies participate, even out-of-state pharmacies that are part of the large chains like Rite-Aid and CVS. Give the pharmacist your NPDP card and prescription. The pharmacist will fill the prescription and charge you the discount price. You will be expected to pay for the medicine at the discounted price. Always show your card for refills. All drugs will be covered, with the exception of over-the-counter drugs and experimental drugs. There is no cost for the NPDP card or for enrolling in the program. This program is being sponsored by northern Michigan local health departments.

### **Apply for the program**

You can apply for the program on-line, or to apply by mail (if you do not have access to a computer and/or do not have an email address), fill out the application on the other side of this brochure and mail it.

Once the application is completed and processed, your card will be mailed to in 2 to 3 weeks.



### **Does it cost anything to get the card?**

There is no cost for the card or to enroll in the program. You just pay the discounted price to the pharmacy.

### **Why should people use a NPDP card?**

If you are without a prescription drug benefit you are a “cash customer” at the pharmacy. That means you pay the full cost of the drugs you need at retail prices set by the pharmacy. The prices you pay may vary from pharmacy to pharmacy but they are almost always higher than the prices negotiated by pharmacy benefit managers operating on behalf of insurers. The NPDP card levels the playing field for you. You will be able to get medicine at a lower price.

### **Who is sponsoring this program?**

The program is sponsored by a partnership of Northern Michigan local health departments.

### **How can the Northern prescription plan get me a discount?**

The NPDP works with a pharmacy benefit manager called 4D Pharmacy. 4D Pharmacy has negotiated prices with pharmacies that are lower than the retail prices that you pay as a cash customer. The lower prices are made available to you when you show your NPDP card at pharmacies.

### **How can I apply for the program?**

Go to:

[nwhealth.org](http://nwhealth.org)

2. Find “Northern Prescription Plans” in the left hand sidebar, and click on it.
3. Scroll down to “Northern Prescription Discount Plan.” Click on the link to go to the provider’s website.
4. Complete the form online and print the card.
5. If you do not have access to a computer and/or do not have an email address, fill out the application on the other side of this brochure and mail to:

Northern Prescription Discount Plan  
Health Department of Northwest Michigan  
220 W. Garfield  
Charlevoix, MI 49720



# Northern Prescription Discount Plan (NPDP)

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Apt # \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State: MI \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Enroll by mail, FAX, phone or internet:**  
Northern Prescription Discount Plan, 220 W. Garfield, Charlevoix, MI 49720  
Fax: (231) 547-6238 Phone: (231) 547-0295 or 1-800-432-4121  
[nwhealth.org](http://nwhealth.org)

**Northern Prescription Discount Plan**  
Health Department of Northwest Michigan  
220 W. Garfield  
Charlevoix, MI 49720

N-154; 3/12



## Northern Prescription Discount Plan (NPDP)

