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FREE DRUG CARD HAS SAVED PENNSYLVANIA RESIDENTS OVER \$16 MILLION Pennsylvania Drug Card Offers Residents a Prescription for High Healthcare Costs

PHILADELPHIA – Pennsylvania residents have saved over \$16 million on prescription drugs through Pennsylvania Drug Card since the launch of the free statewide prescription assistance program. The program, which offers free discount drug cards to all state residents, was launched in December 2008.

"We are very satisfied with the results of the program thus far," states Pennsylvania Drug Card Program Director, Kerry Shaw. "We attribute much of our success to the support of organizations such as Pennsylvania Society of Physician Assistants, Pennsylvania Coalition of Nurse Practitioners, Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, and many others. This program only works if people know about it and that is why we have been very proactive in securing support from organizations that can help us create awareness for this statewide prescription assistance program."

The Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce has partnered with Pennsylvania Drug Card in order to create awareness and help every Pennsylvania resident obtain a discount drug card. Together, Pennsylvania Drug Card and The Greater Philadelphia Chamber are currently educating all clinics, hospitals, county health departments and urgent care clinics throughout the State about the program.

Every Pennsylvanian is eligible to participate in the Pennsylvania Drug Card program; there are no restrictions to membership and no applications to fill out. The card is accepted at over 56,000 regional and national pharmacies. Residents can pick up a free card at the Chamber office or download a card, search drug pricing and locate participating pharmacies by visiting <u>www.PADrugCard.com</u>.

This free prescription card is available online for everyone in Pennsylvania by simply visiting <u>www.PADrugCard.com</u> and printing a card. Residents with no internet access can visit any Target, Giant Eagle, Pathmark, Kmart, Acme Sav-on, Weis or Superfresh pharmacy location and ask the pharmacist to process their prescription through the Pennsylvania Drug Card.

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