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## Program offers affordable prescriptions

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There is a new state program to provide affordable prescription drug assistance for the 1.1 million people who lack prescription drug coverage and for the additional 300,000 who have no health insurance. The BadgerRx Gold Program is available to Wisconsin citizens who either have no prescription drug coverage or insufficient coverage. An individual enrollment fee of just \$25, or \$75 per family, qualifies for prescription drug savings between 25-40 percent.

Affordable prescription drug prices are the one of the biggest health care concerns across this nation. Luckily, in Wisconsin, programs like BadgerCare and

SeniorCare exist to help those seniors and families most in need of help. One out of every six Wisconsin citizens is forced to pay for medicine out of their own pocket because they are not old enough for SeniorCare (or make too much money to qualify for BadgerCare).

BadgerRx is administered through the Madison-based Navitus Health Solutions and acts as a statewide purchasing co-op. It is similar to a successful program begun for state employees in the last state budget. The program is beneficial to the state because it will cover thousands of people and doesn't cost the state any money. Under this new program, even those who have health coverage but whose prescription coverage includes high deductibles are eligible.

Local pharmacies will also ben-

efit from BadgerRx by reducing the need to buy medication online. Because more than 700 of the 880 pharmacies in the state have signed up for the program, enrollees will be able to use their new BadgerRx card at the local drug store.

Since this program was just recently offered, many individuals still haven't heard about the benefits they can receive through the new BadgerRx Program. Any Wisconsin citizen looking for reliable, available and affordable prescription drug coverage should enroll in the BadgerRx Program. Save an additional \$5 off of your enrollment fee by applying online at: [www.badgerRxgold.com](http://www.badgerRxgold.com). Or, contact my office at (608) 266-5340 or email me at: [Rep.Travis@legis.state.wi.us](mailto:Rep.Travis@legis.state.wi.us) and I will mail the necessary information to you as quickly as possible.