

# AUTOMOBILE MECHANICS' LOCAL 701 UNION AND INDUSTRY WELFARE FUND

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# **Summary of Material Modification**

# 2 @ Retail, Then Mail

# **Effective July 1, 2009**

For any maintenance medication purchased starting on July 1, 2009, you can fill the original prescription for maintenance drugs and then one refill at your local retail pharmacy. After the one refill at your local pharmacy you will then be required to use the informedMail mail order service for any future refills.

This program is being implemented to help you and the Fund save money on the rising cost of prescription drugs. You will save money on your maintenance medications by having them delivered to your home through informedRx's mail order pharmacy, informedMail. Medications for acute or short-term use will still be available at your local retail pharmacy.

informedMail offers an easy, cost-effective and convenient way to receive your maintenance medications. With informedMail, you can receive up to a 90-day supply of prescription medication delivered to your home, office or any location of your choosing.

#### What are maintenance medications?

Maintenance medications are prescription drugs that are prescribed for the treatment of ongoing or chronic conditions such as high blood pressure, diabetes, heart disease, high cholesterol or a thyroid condition.

### Which specific maintenance medications apply to the "2 @ Retail, Then Mail" program?

The Automobile Mechanic's Local 701 Maintenance Drug Listing has been defined by Medi-Span®, the leading provider of drug information. The Maintenance Drug Listing can be found online at <a href="https://www.myinformedRx.com">www.myinformedRx.com</a> or at (800) 881-1966. But chances are if you are taking a medication for a long-term use, then it would appear on the maintenance drug listing.

### Am I required to get my maintenance prescriptions through informedMail after July 1?

**No, for any "current"** prescriptions: You may continue to get those filled at your local pharmacy. A current prescription is defined as having been filled at the local retail pharmacy at least two (2) times between January 1, 2009 - June 30, 2009. As an added bonus for those existing users to get started with informedMail, the Fund will waive the mail order copay on the 1<sup>st</sup> prescription for each retail maintenance medication that you move to informedMail.

Yes, for any new prescriptions that your doctor may prescribe after July 1.

# How will I know if I qualify for the free mail order copay?

If you have obtained maintenance medication from a retail pharmacy at least two times during the period from 1/1/2009 to 6/30/2009, you will receive a letter from informedRx that will identify which drugs qualify for the free mail order copayment.

# <u>Is there a limit to how many copays you will waive for the existing patients that have taken at least 2 retail maintenance medications since 1/1/2009?</u>

No- you will have one mail order copay waiver in the system for <u>each</u> qualifying maintenance drug that is switched from retail to mail order by 6/30/2010. There will be <u>one</u> copay waived per drug (if you were taking multiple strengths of a specific drug between 1/1/2009 and 6/30/2009- there will be one copay waived for the entire drug). After 6/30/2010, the full copayment will go back into effect for these medications at mail order.

# How should my doctor write my prescription to ensure that I receive a 90-day supply?

Ask your doctor for <u>two prescriptions</u>: one for a 30-day supply and one for a 90-day supply. Have the 30-day supply filled immediately at a local pharmacy and send the 90-day supply prescription to informedMail with your Enrollment/Order Form and the appropriate co-payment.

You can obtain Enrollment/Order Forms by calling informedMail Customer Care at (800) 881-1966 or the Fund Office at (708) 482-0110. Enrollment/Order Forms are also available online at <a href="https://www.myinformedrx.com">www.myinformedrx.com</a> or www.mech701-benefits.org.

### What are my copayments for mail order prescriptions?

The copayments for mail order prescription medications through informedMail are: Active Plan Participants:

- \$15.00 for Generic
- \$65.00 for Single-source brands (brands that do not have a Generic alternative)
- \$100.00 for Multi-source brands (brands that do have a Generic alternative)

#### Retiree Plan Participants:

• 25% coinsurance up to \$300 maximum for each prescription

Remember that if you request a brand name drug when a generic is available, you will pay the difference in cost between the brand and generic plus the brand copayment, unless your doctor has indicated no substitutes allowed or "Dispense as Written". If your doctor has not indicated "Dispense as Written" then InformedMail will automatically dispense FDA approved generics unless you have indicated on the Order Form that you do <u>not</u> want a generic to be substituted.

### How will I know what copayment I should send in (I don't know if the drug is a brand or generic)?

You can lookup the specific mail order copay for your drug by accessing <a href="www.myinformedrx.com">www.myinformedrx.com</a> or by calling an informedMail Customer Care representative at (800) 881-1966. informedMail accepts all major credit cards, personal checks and money orders. Credit cards are preferred to allow for variations in the prices of drugs.

# <u>I'm interested in transitioning to informedMail. How do I get my existing prescriptions transferred to informedMail?</u>

You have made a great decision to transfer your existing maintenance prescription to informedMail. It's easy to transfer your prescription! Simply call informedMail Customer Care Center toll-free at 1-800-881-1966 and provide the following information:

- Prescription Medication information (name, dosage, etc.)
- Prescriber (Physician) Name and fax number

informedMail will contact your doctor and obtain a new 90-day prescription for you. Simple as that!

# When will I get my order?

You should receive your order within 14 days. Once the prescription is received by informedMail it normally takes one to two days to be filled and mailed if no additional information or clarification is required. Please allow a few extra days for your first order. If you have questions or do not get your order in 14 days, please check the website at <a href="https://www.myinformedrx.com">www.myinformedrx.com</a> or contact informedMail at the toll free number, (800) 881-1966.

### Who do I contact if I have more questions?

Should you have questions regarding this notification, please contact the informedMail Customer Care Center toll-free at (800) 881-1966. The Customer Care Center is available 24 hours a day/7 days a week.