

FREDERICK COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY MEDBANK PROGRAM

Help for People Who
Can't Afford Their
Prescription
Medications



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What is the Medbank Program?

- The **Medbank Program** helps low- to moderate-income, uninsured, or underinsured people obtain the prescription medications they need, but can't afford.
- The **Medbank Program** helps people to obtain free or low-cost prescription medications offered through patient assistance programs operated by pharmaceutical manufacturing companies. The prescription must be for a medical or psychiatric condition that requires at least several months worth of medication. The Frederick County **Medbank Program** is operated by the Frederick Community Action Agency.

Who is Eligible?

Frederick County residents who:

- Meet the financial guidelines set by the pharmaceutical companies
- Have no other prescription drug coverage/insurance
- Are not already enrolled in or eligible for other programs such as Medical Assistance or Medicare Part D
- Need medications to treat longer-term conditions (3 months or longer)



Medication is not delivered to or stored at the Medbank office

How the Medbank Program Works:

- The Medbank Case Manager identifies available Patient Assistance Programs, completes applications and obtains written prescriptions and other information from physicians.
- Most drug companies will then ship a 90-day supply of medications to the physician's office.
- The patient notifies the Medbank Case Manager when medications are received and the Case Manager repeats the process if medication refills are needed.

Information Needed to Complete Medbank Applications:



Chris Bard, Medbank Case Manager

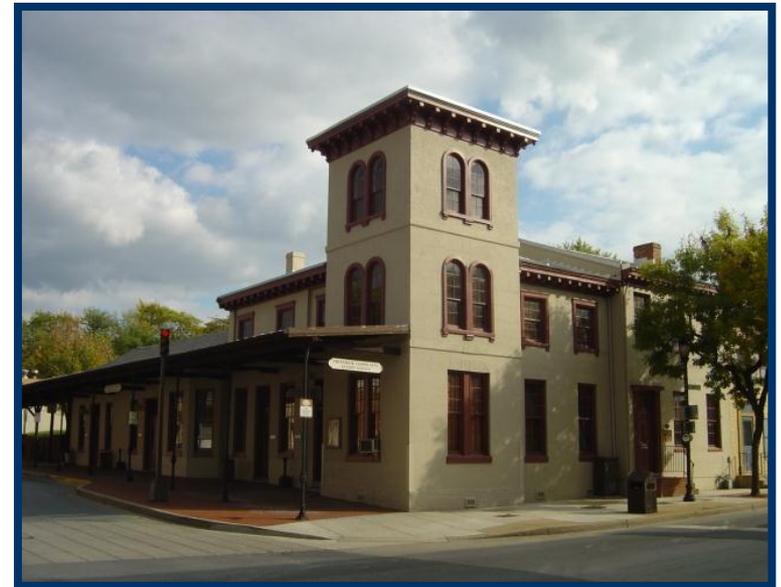
- Proof of income for all members of the household
- List of medications including dosage, frequency and name of prescribing physician or provider
- Medbank Patient Questionnaire and release of information forms

Physician Referral Information

- The **Medbank Program** welcomes referrals from physicians, nurse practitioners, and physician's assistants. The **Medbank Program** can help your patients and save time for your practice! When referring patients to the **Medbank Program**, please be aware of the following requirements:
 - Physicians must sign all patient assistance program applications prepared by the **Medbank Program**.
 - Most pharmaceutical companies require written prescriptions.
 - Medications are usually shipped directly to the physician's office and your staff must notify the patient when the medications have arrived.
 - It can take up to 45 days for the first shipment of medications to arrive at your office.
 - A list of available medications offered through patient assistance programs is available online at www.rxassist.org or at www.medbankmd.org
 - The **Medbank Program** is a free service offered by the Frederick Community Action Agency
 - Please contact the **Medbank Program** if you have questions or would like to make a referral - Telephone: 301-600-3972 and Fax: 301-600-6098

Contact Information

- For more information about the Medbank Program please contact:
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