



Jane, 56



New Video Highlights the Importance of Medication Access

Rx Partnership (RxP) serves vulnerable individuals that are living on a tight budget and struggle to pay for medication, housing, utilities, and food. In 2022, Rx Partnership developed a short video to highlight the importance of medication access by describing a patient who represents the population RxP serves.

“Jane” is a real patient at a participating clinic who is featured in a new video produced by Rx Partnership. She is uninsured, age 56, works full-time as a retail clerk and suffers from numerous health conditions including diabetes, hypertension, high-cholesterol, depression and anxiety, which put her at increased risk for stroke and heart attack. Her income is too high to qualify for Medicaid, but not enough to cover basic living expenses like rent, utilities and food in her area.

She needs eight medications a day to stay healthy and out of the hospital, but without insurance these medications would cost \$332 a month. Because she is able to receive healthcare and Rx Partnership-provided medications at a local clinic, she doesn't have to worry about the high cost of medication. Jane is healthier and has even been able to adopt some lifestyle changes that may reduce her need for medication in the future.

View the video on Rx Partnership's website (www.RxPartnership.org) or our YouTube Channel ([@RxPartnership](https://www.youtube.com/@RxPartnership))

New DEI Statement & Workplan

Rx Partnership is committed to breaking down barriers to equitable access to healthcare—it is essential to our ultimate goal of medication access for EVERYONE in Virginia.

At Rx Partnership, we embrace diversity and equality by including many perspectives in decision-making. We are committed to building a team with a variety of backgrounds, skills and views. To achieve our mission, it is critical to be inclusive and diverse. Improving the health of our Commonwealth means providing medication to patients of all races, colors, religions, sexes, gender identities, abilities/disabilities and regardless of sexual orientation, housing status, national origin or citizenship.

RxP's DEI Statement came out of an eight-month long Board planning process that included discussion, training and work planning sessions. In addition to the DEI statement, the workgroup developed a detailed plan that focuses on Pipeline, Programs and Policy action items to ensure that DEI is an ongoing and critical element of RxP's work.



A day doesn't go by that our patients don't express how grateful they are to be able to receive their chronic medications at no cost from Rx Partnership.

—Mother of Mercy Free Medical Clinic

SUPPORT IS ESSENTIAL

EVERY \$1 YOU GIVE PROVIDES \$21 IN MEDICATIONS TO PATIENTS

We cannot do our work without the support of generous individuals, corporations and foundations that support increasing medication access. Your donation has a huge impact on the people we serve and there are many ways to give—online, via check, transfer of stock or securities and even our new Venmo QR code.



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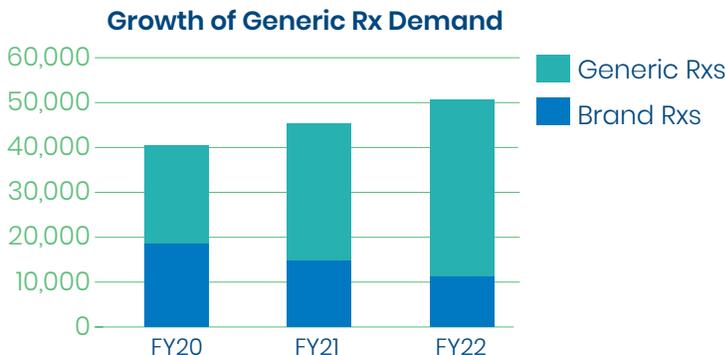
More Funding Means More Medication

In 2022, Rx Partnership received an additional \$50,000 in funding from the Virginia General Assembly to support medication access. As a result, we were able to put into place a much anticipated **formulary expansion** that added a total of **9 new generic medications** in **19 dosage strengths**. Rx Partnership also added three new strengths of existing medications to help clinics provide the chronic care medications their low-income, uninsured patients need to support and improve their health. The new medications added to the formulary were specifically requested by clinics to fill critical gaps in care—most notably several are mental health related (anti-depressants).

Generic Medication—Essential for Treatment

Rx Partnership began providing brand medications to clinics in 2004. Beginning in 2010, the “patent cliff” resulted in less availability of brand medications through Patient Assistance Programs (PAPs) and a growing demand for generic medications. By 2015, the impact for low-income, uninsured patients at free and charitable clinics was becoming evident and prompted Rx Partnership to design, pilot and launch the Access to Medication Program (AMP) in 2017. AMP allowed RxP to provide generic medications to clinics without a licensed pharmacy, significantly expanding services across the state. In 2019, RxP expanded generic medication availability with the Group Purchasing Organization (GPO) Program for clinics with pharmacies.

Generic medications often represent “old” drugs that have successfully treated a variety of chronic conditions like diabetes, hypertension and asthma, but the cash price for an uninsured patient is often not affordable. Rx Partnership now provides more generic medication than brand to clinics and has increased spending on medication from ZERO dollars at our founding to nearly \$100,000 in FY22. In FY22, 78% of the medications dispensed through Rx Partnership were generic compared to 67% in FY21.



AMP 5 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Since starting AMP, Rx Partnership has provided over **70,000 filled prescriptions** for generic and brand medication to patients at partner clinics without a pharmacy—saving significant travel time and money!

“Patients pick up their medication from an office they are familiar with and are still able to receive them even if they can’t pay for them. **The service is priceless for our patients** and provides access to medications that they may not otherwise be able to afford.”—Olde Towne Medical & Dental Center (AMP Clinic since 2017)

Rx PARTNERSHIP

2022 IMPACT DATA

DONORS

RxP received more than **DOUBLE** the number of contributions in FY22 compared to FY21

2X↑

2,058

Prescription Mail Delivery Program Packages Mailed



\$4.10

Average Price per Package



\$13.5 million

Value of Medications Provided



\$408,260

Grants Received by RxP (25 Foundations)



8,049

Patients Served



49,957

Prescriptions Provided



FACTS

38% of Americans (~ 98 million people) cut back on food, gas, utilities, and other costs to pay for health care expenses in the past 6 months

Spending on prescription drugs in the US rose **76% between 2000 and 2017**

In 2021, more than **900 brand name drugs** saw a price increase (**4.2% average**)

Sources: Fortune Article (August 2022), RAND Corporation Study, News Story on CBS 6 (July 28, 2022) & 46 Brooklyn Research