

REAL RESULTS FROM USING MUSKEGON  
COMMUNITY HEALTH PROJECTS PHARMACY  
ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

SUSAN\* HAD NO HEALTH INSURANCE AND WAS STRUGGLING TO PAY THE COST OF HER PRESCRIPTIONS. MCHP TOOK HER INFORMATION AND FOUND THAT SHE WAS ELIGIBLE FOR 2 DIFFERENT PROGRAMS THAT WOULD PROVIDE HER MEDICATION, FREE OF CHARGE. MCHP ALSO HELPED HER AND HER HUSBAND FIND THEIR REMAINING MEDICATIONS AT LESS EXPENSIVE COSTS AT LOCAL PHARMACIES.

MIKE\* NEEDED TO SEE A DOCTOR AS WELL AS GET HELP FOR HIS CURRENT MEDICATION COSTS. AFTER ENROLLING, MCHP FOUND THAT HE WAS ELIGIBLE FOR 3 DIFFERENT PROGRAMS AT NO COST. AFTER ONE YEAR THE PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES WILL REEVALUATE HIS CRITERIA AND HE MAY AGAIN BE ELIGIBLE FOR FREE OR REDUCED COST MEDICATION.

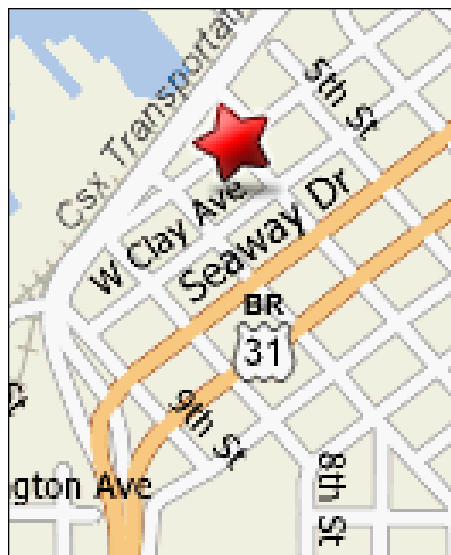
DOUG\* IS A PARTICIPANT OF THE MICHIGAN PRISONER RE-ENTRY INITIATIVE, AND PRESCRIBED A MEDICATION THAT COST APPROXIMATELY \$50 PER MONTH. HE PHONED HIS MPRI NAVIGATOR AND EXPLAINED HIS INABILITY TO AFFORD HIS MEDICATION. THROUGH MCHP'S PHARMACY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM HE WAS ENROLLED IN A PROGRAM WHERE HE MET THE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR FREE MEDICATION. HE WILL RECEIVE A YEAR SUPPLY OF HIS MEDICATION AT NO COST.

\*NAMES HAVE BEEN CHANGED

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MUSKEGON COMMUNITY  
HEALTH PROJECT

PHARMACY  
ASSISTANCE  
PROGRAM



MUSKEGON COMMUNITY HEALTH PROJECT (MCHP) OPENED ITS DOORS IN 1994 WITH A GOAL OF MOVING OUR COMMUNITY TOWARD A STATE OF WELLNESS. TODAY, WE ARE RECOGNIZED AS ONE OF THE MOST INNOVATIVE AND SUCCESSFUL INCUBATORS FOR HEALTH INITIATIVES IN THE NATION, HOSTING A VARIETY OF COLLABORATIVES, SERVICE PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES.

## PHARMACY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

### WHAT IS THE PHARMACY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM?

THE PHARMACY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IS A PROGRAM OFFERED BY THE MUSKEGON COMMUNITY HEALTH PROJECT DESIGNED TO HELP YOU ACCESS THE MEDICATIONS YOU NEED.

### IS IT INSURANCE?

**No**-WE WORK WITH YOU TO MAKE YOUR MEDICATIONS AVAILABLE. WE USE RESOURCES, PRIVATE AND PUBLIC PROGRAMS THAT OFFER FREE OR REDUCED COST PRESCRIPTIONS.

### HOW MUCH DOES IT COST TO ENROLL?

NOTHING. THIS IS A FREE SERVICE OFFERED BY THE MUSKEGON COMMUNITY HEALTH PROJECT

### HOW DOES IT WORK?

ONCE WE GATHER SOME PRELIMINARY INFORMATION ABOUT YOU, AND THE PRESCRIPTIONS YOU ARE CURRENTLY TAKING WE WILL GET TO WORK FINDING THE PROGRAM THAT BEST SUITS YOUR NEEDS.

### HOW DO I APPLY?

COME IN OR CALL THE MUSKEGON COMMUNITY HEALTH PROJECT AND WE WILL WORK TO FIND YOU THE PROGRAM THAT BEST FITS YOUR PRESCRIPTION NEEDS.

### THEN WHAT HAPPENS?

WE USE A DATABASE THAT WILL MATCH YOUR ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA AGAINST DIFFERENT PROGRAMS THAT OFFER FREE OR REDUCED COST MEDICATION. ONCE WE FIND A PROGRAM THAT SUITS YOUR NEEDS WE BEGIN THE APPLICATION PROCESS. YOU ARE THEN RESPONSIBLE FOR OBTAINING PHYSICIAN CERTIFICATION AND A NEW PRESCRIPTION FOR THE MEDICATION. THEN BRING THE PAPERWORK BACK TO THE MUSKEGON COMMUNITY HEALTH PROJECT WHERE WE WILL DO THE REST.

### WHAT IF I'M NOT ELIGIBLE?

EACH PHARMACEUTICAL PROGRAM HAS SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY. IF YOU ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR ONE IN PARTICULAR WE CAN TRY OTHER PROGRAMS.



## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

IN ORDER TO BE ENROLLED IN THE MUSKEGON COMMUNITY HEALTH PROJECT PHARMACY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM YOU MUST:

- HAVE AN ANNUAL INCOME AT OR BELOW THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL  
  
(PLEASE SEE 2007 FEDERAL POVERTY TABLE BELOW)
- HAVE NO ADDITIONAL MEDICAL OR PRESCRIPTION INSURANCE
- BE OVER 18 AND UNDER 65 YEARS OF AGE
- BE A RESIDENT OF MUSKEGON COUNTY
- NOT BE CURRENTLY INVOLVED IN ANY WORKERS COMPENSATION OR LEGAL CLAIMS INVOLVING SAID MEDICATION OR CONDITION



### 2007 FEDERAL POVERTY GUIDELINES

SIZE OF FAMILY UNIT	MONTHLY GROSS INCOME
1	\$ 2127.08
2	\$ 2852.08
3	\$ 3577.08
4	\$ 4302.08
EACH ADDITIONAL PERSON ADD	\$ 725