

Signature 65 Prescription Drug Discount Feature

As an annuitant enrolled in Pennsylvania's State System of Higher Education (State System) Highmark Blue Shield Signature 65 Medicare Complement coverage, you are also enrolled in a prescription drug discount feature. Highmark has made arrangements with a network of pharmacies to offer you discounted prices for many prescription drugs. **Although you may choose any pharmacy, you will pay less when you use a pharmacy that participates in this network.** Your Signature 65 ID card has a symbol printed on it that tells the pharmacist to give you a discount on most prescription drugs. To receive your discount, you must show your ID card to the pharmacist when you have your prescriptions filled. The amount you pay for most prescription drugs will reflect this discount. To locate a network pharmacy, call the Highmark toll-free Member Services telephone number printed on the back of your ID card or visit the website at <u>www.highmarkblueshield.com</u>.

Prescription drug costs incurred at either a retail pharmacy or through mail order may be submitted to Major Medical for reimbursement.

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- 1. Present your prescription(s) to a retail pharmacist or through mail order.
- 2. The pharmacist will advise you of the discounted prescription price.
- 3. You pay the discounted price for the prescription at the time of purchase and receive a detailed receipt.

All prescription receipts must be submitted to Highmark on a Major Medical Claim form to ensure all eligible costs are accounted for towards your deductible.

4. Once the deductible is satisfied for the calendar year, Major Medical will reimburse you directly at 80% of the allowed cost.

Major Medical forms are available by contacting Highmark or on the State System's Annuitant website at <u>www.passhe.edu/ahcp</u>. For questions regarding your annual deductible amount you should also contact Highmark. (The annual deductible for retirements on or after July 1, 2004, is \$500.)

Note: Effective January 1, 2006, Medicare began offering enrollment in Part D (the Medicare prescription drug plan). You have prescription drug coverage under your annuitant health plan provided by the State System and the State System has determined that your prescription drug coverage offered under Highmark's Blue Shield Major Medical is equal to or better than the standard Medicare prescription drug coverage; therefore, **you should not enroll in the Medicare Part D prescription drug plan**. Enrollment in the Medicare prescription drug plan will cost you an additional monthly premium per person and, for the most part, will duplicate coverage you already have rather than improving coverage.