

Letter from Rod R. Blagojevich, Governor of Illinois

As the cost of prescription drugs continues to rise, people continue to search for ways to buy the medications they need at prices they can afford. After a year of research, we know that the prescription drugs in Canada, Ireland, the United Kingdom and the United States are exactly the same in every way but one -- the price.

This program gives the people of Illinois the opportunity to get the best possible price for the prescription drugs they need, safely. Through our program, you can compare prices for prescription drugs from Canada, Ireland and the United Kingdom and purchase them at prices that are, on average, 25 to 50% less than what you pay in the United States. We are delighted to welcome Wisconsin, Missouri, Kansas and Vermont to this program, as well, and hope that other states will join in this safe approach to saving money on prescriptions.

No one should have to choose between putting food on the table, paying the rent or being able to afford the medicine they need. Programs like these will hopefully help make that kind of choice a thing of the past.



**Rod R. Blagojevich,
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