



PRESCRIPTION ASSISTANCE DIRECTORY

A Comprehensive Resource of
FREE or Low Cost Medications

Prepared by Dementia Help Center





PRESCRIPTION ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Even with prescription drug plans, co-pays can be high and most of the drug treatments for dementias and Alzheimer's are very expensive. Pharmaceutical companies do offer free or low-cost prescription drug assistance programs and it pays to investigate them. If you qualify, you will save great sums of money. At the time, (2010-15), the most efficient resource I found was Partnership for Prescription Assistance and through them, I was able to connect with four separate pharmaceutical firms and secure my mother's medication for a fraction of pharmacy costs.

These programs are geared for reduced-income prospects. However, before you jump to the conclusion that you/your loved one won't qualify, check them out.

Partnership for Prescription Assistance (PPA)

PPA helps qualified patients get the medications they need through the program that is right for them. The service is free of charge and people get their medications free or at low cost. You will never be asked for money by a PPA Call Center representative or on [their website](#). [Here is more](#)

Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America (PhRMA)

PhRMA represents the country's leading innovative biopharmaceutical research companies. There are 27 major Patient Assistance programs on [their site](#). 202-835-3400 [Here is a website link](#) for the Directory of PhRMA Member Company Patient Assistance Programs

Johnson & Johnson Patient Assistance Foundation, Inc. (JJPAF)

800-652-6227

JJPAF is an independent, non-profit organization committed to helping eligible patients without insurance coverage receive prescription products donated by Johnson & Johnson operating companies. [Go here to find out more](#).

Pathway Reimbursement Support from Abbott Nutrition

866-801-5677 Abbott Nutrition's Patient Assistance Program is designed to provide supplemental product at no cost to eligible patients experiencing financial difficulties. [Go here](#) and [here](#) to find out more.

RxAssist

RxAssist is a national recognized, web-based medication assistance resource center. Established in 1999 with funding from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, the site offers providers, advocates, consumers and caregivers comprehensive, up-to-date information in an easy to use format. [Their site will connect you](#) with the PPA website for medication programs, however, RxAssist is a rich resource worthy of your time.

Blessings,

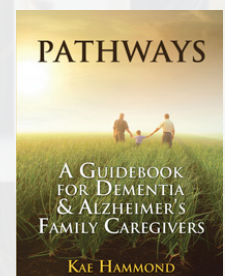
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Here's a listing of drugs often prescribed for Alzheimer's & Dementia patients and the manufacturers with Prescription Assistance Programs:

Abbott Laboratories Depakote 1-800-222-6885	Jenssen Pharmaceutical Risperdal 1-800-526-7736
AstraZeneca Squibb Company Trazodone, Prolixin, Proloxin Deconoate, Serzone 1-800-332-2056	Novartis Pharmaceuticals Clozaril, Mellaril, Tegretol 1-800-974-2273 1-862-778-2100
Bristol-Meyers Squibb Company Trazodone, Prolixin, Proloxin Deconoate, Serzone 1-800-332-2056	Ortho-McNeil Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Division of Johnson & Johnson Haldol, Haldol Decanoate 1-800-577-3788 1-509-730-2000
Bristol-Meyers Squibb & Otsuka America Aripiprazole 1-800-332-2056	Organon Remeron 1-800-241-8812
Eli Lilly and Company Prozac, Zyprexa, Cymbalta 1-800-545-6962	Pfizer, Inc. Navane, Sinequan, Zoloft, Geodon 1-800-879-3477
Actavis Pharmaceuticals Celexa 1-800-851-0758	Roche Laboratories, Inc. Klonopin, Diazepan 1-800-285-4484
GSK=Glaxo Smith Klein Welcome, Inc. Wellbutrin, Paxil 1-888-825-5249	Abbot Patient Assistants/Solvay Pharm. Lithobid, Fluvoxamine 1-800-256-8918
TEVA Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Clozaril 1-800-507-8334	Pfizer Pharmaceuticals Effexor, Surmontil 1-800-568-9938



Medications Commonly Prescribed for Dementia Patients and What They Are Targeted To Do

When a parent, partner, or someone else you love gets diagnosed with dementia, you want to do everything possible to help them, including their memory, thinking skills, mood, and behavior.

No medication can cure dementia. However, some may help with some of the symptoms for a time. And doctors may prescribe other meds to treat problems brought on by dementia, such as depression, trouble sleeping, or irritability.

Cholinesterase inhibitors such as donepezil (Aricept), galantamine (Razadyne), and rivastigmine (Exelon) slow the breakdown of a brain chemical involved in memory and judgment.

Memantine (Namenda) helps control a different brain chemical needed for learning and memory. Sometimes doctors prescribe memantine along with donepezil in a combination drug (Namzaric) for moderate to severe dementia.

Antidepressants, especially selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs), can improve low mood and irritability.

Anxiolytics such as lorazepam (Ativan) or oxazepam (Serax) can ease anxiety or restlessness.

Antipsychotic medicines such as aripiprazole (Abilify), haloperidol (Haldol), olanzapine (Zyprexa), and risperidone (Risperdal) can help control feelings and behaviors such as aggression, agitation, delusions, or hallucinations.

Credit:

<https://www.webmd.com/alzheimers/dementia-treatments-overview#1>



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