

Delaware Saves with Generic Drugs

Total: \$860 Million



SAVINGS

MEDICAID

\$182 Million

MEDICARE

\$261 Million

CASH (NON-INSURED)

\$23 Million

COMMERCIAL INSURED

\$394 Million

TOTAL **\$860 Million**

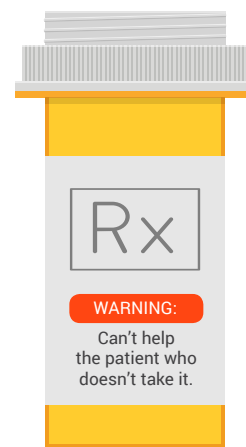
In 2019 alone, generic prescription medicines saved Delaware \$860 million, and \$293 billion for the U.S. health care system overall. The availability of safe, effective and affordable generics produces tremendous savings for the state's residents and taxpayers.

In 2019, 9 out of every 10 prescriptions in the U.S. were dispensed using generic medicines. However, generics account for only 22% of prescription drug spending.

Abandonment in Delaware

"Abandonment" occurs when a prescription is called in or brought to the pharmacy but the patient does not collect the medicine. In Delaware, patients abandoned their brand-name prescriptions **19.2%** of the time, compared to **only 7.2%** for generics.

Source: IQVIA 2018



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Generic drug savings in the U.S.

Generics are **90%** of prescriptions filled but account for only **22%** of total drug costs.

\$293
Billion
2018
U.S. Savings

\$2
Trillion
10-Year
U.S. Savings