

Compassionate Care Programs for Low-Income Patients – Pharmaceutical Companies

Many drug manufacturers have short-term emergency assistance programs available to help low-income patients cover the cost of their prescription drug products. Contact your doctor for more information to see if the company that manufactures your oral diabetes medication or insulin provides any type of financial assistance for patients in need. Specific eligibility rules apply and vary from program to program.

Example: Lilly Canada Cares Insulin & Glucagon Assistance Program

Provides Eli Lilly insulin products (up to a 6-month supply with each claim) to individuals who cannot afford their insulin and do not have government or private insurance; can also help provide Glucagon and an insulin pen.

To be considered for assistance, you must be using insulin *and* you must not have private or government health insurance *and* your household income must fall under the Statistics Canada “Low-Income Cut-off” line. Ask your doctor or diabetes educator for more information. Your doctor will have to apply to the Lilly Canada Cares program on your behalf.

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Contact specific programs directly to verify program information.*