Security Health Plan offers members a new service to lower prescription drug costs

Healthcare providers can't be expected to know the cost of every prescription and how their patients' health insurance will cover them at the pharmacy. That's why Security Health Plan is working with Rx Savings Solutions to give our members drug pricing transparency.

Coming in May, Security Health Plan will be working with Rx Savings Solutions to help eligible members find the lowest-price options for their prescription drugs. This new service is linked to a member's Security Health Plan coverage, so everything is personalized according to the medications they take and their specific plan's benefits.

Rx Savings Solutions reviews a patient's existing pharmacy benefit and uses specialized software to analyze claims, formularies, plan designs and networks to find lower-cost prescription drug options covered by the patient's plan. A patient is notified of savings opportunities that include therapeutic alternatives, dosage form changes or generic substitutions.

Here are the types of prescription savings opportunities Rx Savings Solutions looks for:

1. *Different drug, same treatment:* For many situations, other medications can be equally good at treating a condition – and may be less expensive.

2. *Same active ingredient, lower price:* A less costly generic medication might be appropriate for your situation.

3. *Same drug, split the pill:* Many medications are priced the same or similarly regardless of strength. You might be able to split a larger tablet in half to get two doses at half the price.

4. *Same drug, different form:* A tablet could be less costly than a capsule and vice versa depending on the drug.

5. *Same ingredients, different pills:* If a drug has two active ingredients, the price can increase. If you take the active ingredients separately at the same time for the same treatment that can lower your cost.

What it means for providers:

- Pharmacy technicians with Rx Savings Solutions may contact your office—via phone or fax—on behalf of patients to obtain an approval. All changes are made only upon a provider's approval.

- Patients will have access to a portal where they can view their current medications and possible savings opportunities. Patients may wish to discuss various medication options with you during a visit.

Resources for your office:

- **Download this one-page flyer** about Rx Savings Solutions and information and answers to frequently asked questions.

- Call 1-800-268-4476 or email support@rxsavingssolutions.com with any questions about Rx Savings Solutions.