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IACT Applauds General Assembly for Recognizing the Indiana Drug Card and gives Special Thanks to Senator Jim Merritt and Representative Mike Karickhoff

INDIANAPOLIS, IND. The Indiana Association of Cities and Towns (IACT) announced today their appreciation of the Indiana General Assembly for recognizing an important healthcare cost-savings program, the Indiana Drug Card.

Late last month, Representative Mike Karickhoff (R-Kokomo) and Senator Jim Merritt (R-Indianapolis) were successful in passing resolutions in their respective houses. House Resolution 94 and Senate Resolution 95, each recognize IACT's efforts to extend Indiana Drug Card benefits to all Hoosiers.

"IACT and the Indiana Drug Card have partnered to bring Hoosiers another alternative in the ongoing efforts to reduce skyrocketing healthcare costs," said IACT Executive Director and CEO Matt Greller. "The card is available free of charge to all Indiana citizens and can be used to obtain discounts on prescription drugs and other medical services."

Indiana Drug Card Fast Facts

- The Indiana Drug Card requires no enrollment forms, has no age or income limits and does not have a lifetime benefit limitation.
- Pre-existing conditions are covered by the Indiana Drug Card.
- The Indiana Drug Card is a confidential program.
- Those without insurance can use the card, as well as those with insurance who have medications not covered under their plan or that have a high deductible plan.



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- Users of the Indiana Drug Card see an average of 30% savings on their prescription medications.
- Since program inception in 2009 it has helped Indiana residents save over \$31,000,000 on prescription medications.

Greller noted, "The challenge we have is making folks aware of the discount, which is why the legislature's recognition is so valuable. Once consumers are informed, obtaining the savings is as easy as going online or saying "Indiana Drug Card" to their local pharmacist. The special efforts of Senator Merritt and Representative Karickhoff will help IACT get the money-saving cards into more hands."

To obtain more information on the Indiana Drug Card, visit: <u>www.indianadrugcard.com</u> or call 1-888-4INDY-RX (888-446-3979).

The Indiana Association of Cities and Towns (IACT) is a coalition of municipal officials who seek to improve the quality of life in Indiana through effective government, and is a member of the National League of Cities. Founded in 1891, IACT is one of the oldest state municipal organizations in the country, with 470 cities and towns as members. IACT advocates for municipalities as the official voice of municipal government in Indiana, and promotes good government through education, training and leadership.