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UlsterRx Plan To Be Administered By Caremark Offer Average Savings Of 20 Percent

Ulster County Legislature's Health Services Committee Chairman Robert Parete (D-Olive) and UlsterRx Subcommittee Chairwoman, Mary Sheeley (D-Wawarsing) jointly announce a new administrator for UlsterRx – Caremark. "While numerous residents recently experienced difficulty filling their prescription orders, I am confident in Caremark's new approach and commitment to improving services for residents of Ulster County. The UlsterRx program will continue to help residents realize significant savings off the retail price of prescription drugs at participating pharmacies," stated Legislator Parete.

"UlsterRx offers enrollees an average savings of 20 percent off the retail price of commonly prescribed drugs. Presenting the discount card at a participating pharmacy is easy. Cardholders will not have to worry about an enrollment form, membership fee or frequency-of-use restrictions. It may be used by all County residents, regardless of their age, income or existing health coverage," added Legislator Mary Sheeley (D-Wawarsing).

Caremark has years of experience in pharmacy discount cards and is a leading provider of prescriptions in the nation. "UlsterRx continues to be a generous, productive, and effective service provider and we remain focused on serving our members and providing quality healthcare to residents," concluded Legislator Parete. --more--

Free enrollment for retail and Canadian Pharmacies for UlsterRx members will continue, making this the most efficient and economical way to receive prescription drugs. Cards will be available at various County locations. County residents can call toll-free [1-877-321-2652 or visit www.UlsterRx.com for assistance with the program.

About UlsterRx, is a comprehensive drug card program that offers negotiated discounts on the purchase of brand name and generic drugs to enrolled members. The program was created in response to the dire need for financial assistance among residents of Ulster County —particularly the elderly, disabled, uninsured and underinsured—requiring drug therapy.