Medicine Help Information For Parents

--Can't afford your medication right now? Too often we hear about students and/or parents who aren't able to keep up with medications they may need. If you find yourself in that position, there may be some options:

- Find out more information about the Community Assistance Program (CAP) discount prescription card that was established in response to the many requests for assistance for the uninsured and underinsured with their prescription needs. The CAP card saves the cardholder an average 15% on brand name medications, and 55% on generic medications. The discount prescription cards are accepted at over 80% of pharmacies in the US and its territories, including Puerto Rico. Anyone can use the CAP card, regardless of age or income. Our discount prescription card can allow someone to fill a prescription when they may normally go without. Visit their website at http://www.caprxprogram.org/Index.aspx.
- Check with your doctor. He/She may have samples and/or a coupon for your medicine or he/she may be able to prescribe a similar, but cheaper medicine, depending on your needs.
- Contact your insurance company. Sometimes they will work with you or offer suggestions.
- Contact the drug company. Many have programs to offer free or discounted medication to families who qualify. Some include:
 - Shire: (Vyvanse, Daytrana, Adderall)
 https://www.pparx.org/prescription assistance programs/shire cares patient assistance support program
 - o Phizer: http://www.pfizerrxpathways.com/?step=1&step=1
 - o Abbott: https://www.rxhope.com/pap/pdf/2007-05-14.Abbott.Abbott Patient Assistance Foundation.398.pdf
 - Eli Lilly: (Strattera) http://www.lillytruassist.com/
 - o Ortho-McNeil-Janssen Pharmaceuticals: (Concerta, Risperdal) http://www.janssenprescriptionassistance.com/
 - GlaxoSmithKline: (Dexedrine) http://www.gskforyou.com/
 - Novartis: (Ritalin, Focalin)
 http://www.patientassistancenow.com/info/programstoaccessmedicines/program_medicine.jsp
- Check <u>www.goodrx.com</u> to see how much the medicine would cost at different pharmacies; be prepared to enter the drug's name, strength, quantity, and insurance information.
- Check out another great websites that can offer savings: http://www.familywize.org/.