

Canadian Pharmacy Experience

I have for some time been suffering from a chronic ailment, and the commonly prescribed medicines are no longer effective. As a result, my medical provider prescribed a newer drug that is substantially more expensive. This drug was not on the state formularies and for that reason Novartis would not participate in the cost. The best local price offered in Helena was \$10.00 per pill, or about \$300 per month. At the suggestion of my provider I contacted Big Mountain Drug Company in British Columbia, ph: 1-877-223-9977, www.bigmountaindrugs.com. They quoted a price of \$3.00 per pill. My provider sent the prescription to them, and I am now receiving the same drug at the substantially lower price.

It is my understanding that most, if not all, U.S. insurance companies will not cover prescriptions from Canada, and further, Canadian companies will not send narcotics or biologic across the border.

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