PHARMACY BENEFIT PROGRAM Managed Health Care Services Inc. (MHCSI)

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At a recent meeting of the RTO, information was requested for the newsletter on the new supplementary Pharmacy Benefit Program. All active and retired members received a package this summer that offers a discount program for Lawtons Drugs/Sobeys Pharmacy. You are not required to get your prescriptions filled at Lawtons Drugs/Sobeys Pharmacy; however, if you use the card at these drug stores, you will receive \$3.00 off your expenses for the drug. If you are under age 65, you will pay \$2.00 for the drug. If you are with the Senior Pharmacare Program, you will receive \$3.00 off whatever you are required to pay for the drug. If you are on a spouse's private plan, you can also receive \$3.00 off any drug purchase. If you are no longer required to pay because you have paid the maximum required by Senior Pharmacare, there is no \$3.00 off as you incur no expense for that drug.

You also received a store-front discount card for Lawtons Drugs in Atlantic Canada which provides a discount on purchases you make on regular-priced items. You do not have to fill a prescription in order to use the card. To receive the discount, you will be required to show a photo ID.

If you have any questions about the new program, or if you have problems with the card, please contact MHCSI at 1-888-686-6427. If you have not received your cards, please contact Johnson Inc. to confirm your coverage at 1-902-453-9543 or 1-800-453-9543 (toll free).