

GlaxoSmithKline Announces New Patient Assistance Programs for Low-Income Medicare Part D Patients

Philadelphia, PA, December 7, 2006 –GlaxoSmithKline [NYSE:GSK] has expanded its patient assistance programs, offering its retail prescription medicines for free to eligible low-income Medicare Part D participants. Beginning January 1, 2007, the company's new patient assistance program GSK Access will provide free medicines to eligible Part-D-enrolled senior and disabled patients who have spent at least \$600 of their own money on outpatient medicines. GSK also plans to offer its existing patient assistance program for oncology medicines to Medicare Part D participants who reach the same \$600 spending threshold.

"Even though the Medicare Part D plans have been a great success for many, we know that there are still patients who don't qualify for the government subsidies and may need help in getting their medicines. We believe GSK Access can be a real benefit to these patients," said Chris Viehbacher President of GlaxoSmithKline's US Pharmaceuticals business.

Viehbacher added: "With our \$600 spending threshold, most eligible patients can get their GSK medicines for free before they reach the gap in Medicare coverage known as the 'donut hole'."

GSK is making applying for these new programs easier than ever for Part D patients. A simple form can be completed by the patient, a family member, doctor, pharmacist or friend to begin receiving free medicines.

GSK Access will assist Part D enrolled patients meeting the following criteria: Part D enrolled income that is below 250% Federal Poverty Level (FPL), residence in one of the 50 states or District of Columbia, and proof that the patient has already spent \$600 on outpatient medicines in the current calendar year.

Oncology patients who are enrolled in Part D plans will be able to receive their medicines through GSK's existing Commitment to Access patient assistance program by meeting the following criteria: income that is below 350% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL), residence in one of the 50 states or District of Columbia, and proof that the patient has already spent \$600 on outpatient medicines in the current calendar year.

Medicare patients who are not enrolled in Part D remain eligible for the company's existing patient assistance programs: Bridges to Access and Commitment to Access.

Patients with income below 135% of the Federal Poverty Level who qualify for full assistance under the government's subsidy program are not eligible for GSK's patient assistance programs.

GSK plans to finalize details of its programs for Medicare Part D participants throughout the remainder of 2006. The company expects to send letters to patient advocates and Medicare Part D patients who have used the company's patient assistance programs within the past year. Both program offerings have been reviewed by the Health and Human Services Office of Inspector General (OIG) for compliance with Federal guidelines.

Patients who have questions regarding GlaxoSmithKline's programs for Medicare Part D participants should call the GSK Response Center at 1-888-825-5249.

For more than twenty years, GlaxoSmithKline and its predecessor companies have provided assistance to those who need help in getting their medicines. Last year, GSK provided nearly 565,000 patients with more than \$472 million in free medicines through its patient assistance programs that benefit low income patients of all ages.

GlaxoSmithKline is one of the world's leading research-based pharmaceutical and healthcare companies and is committed to improving the quality of human life by enabling people to do more, feel better and live longer. GSK also provides reimbursement support services to help the patient find alternate funding sources for other healthcare services.

About GlaxoSmithKline's Patient Assistance Programs in the US

Bridges to Access

Bridges to Access provides out-patient medications to eligible low-income patients residing in the United States who do not have prescription drug benefits. Bridges to Access (1-866-PATIENT) is the program for non-oncology products. GSK also provides reimbursement support services to help the patient find alternate funding sources for other healthcare services.

Commitment to Access

Through Commitment to Access, GlaxoSmithKline provides eligible low income patients with access to our oncology products that are used in an outpatient setting. GSK also provides reimbursement support services to help the patient find alternate funding sources for other healthcare services.

Together Rx Access

GlaxoSmithKline is a partner company in the Together Rx Access card program which provides uninsured Americans with meaningful savings on a wide range of brand-name and generic prescription products, right at the pharmacy counter. The Together Rx Access card program currently provides assistance to more than 700,000 cardholders.