Just trying to pick a Medicare drug discount card is enough to make you need a prescription.

AARP can help.

As a result of a new law, Medicare beneficiaries are now eligible to receive a Medicare drug discount card. The cards can save money and are an important step toward a lasting Medicare drug benefit. But choosing a card can be confusing.

Whatever your situation, the best choice is to be informed. To help with that, AARP offers the following guidelines:

- ◆ You can purchase a Medicare drug discount card without giving up existing drug coverage that you may receive from insurance or other non-Medicare discount cards.
- After you choose a Medicare drug discount card, you can change to a different card at the end of the year, but not before.
- The Medicare drug discount card program is completely voluntary. You do not have to buy a card if you don't want one.
- You can only have one Medicare drug discount card at a time.
- ❖ If you already receive drugs through a state Medicaid program, you are not eligible for a Medicare drug discount card.

For a free brochure on choosing a Medicare drug discount card, call I-888-OUR-AARP or visit www.aarp.org.

