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Lowering The Cost Of Birth Control Pills

(NAPSA)—A new program will make it less expensive—and easier for thousands of women to receive their birth control pills.

Nearly one in three American women, aged 15 to 44, use oral contraceptives as a birth control measure.

When taken regularly, studies have shown, birth control pills can be a highly effective method to avoid unwanted pregnancies. Many women, however, have difficulty maintaining a regular contraceptive routine, due to price or accessibility, problems that the new program can help to solve.

The program, called Smart-Woman Rx, currently provides brand name birth control pills at a reduced rate—and free home delivery.

To enroll, women who are already taking one of the three brands of oral contraceptives (OCs) offered through the program, need only contact a Smart-Woman Rx representative by calling 1-866-376-6527. A pharmacist will contact the woman's health-care provider for the prescription information.

Women interested in changing their prescriptions to one of the

If your current monthly price is:	Over 12 months SmartWomen Rx™ could save you:
\$20	\$91
\$25	\$156
\$30	\$221
\$35	\$286 [Ⓣ]

A new prescription drug program offers women free home delivery and reduced rates.

contraceptives the program provides should speak with their doctors.

The program can save women as much as \$286 a year. In addition, it offers free shipping and reminders when it is time to refill prescriptions—by phone, e-mail or mail.

OCs do not protect against HIV infection and other sexually transmitted diseases. The use of OCs is associated with increased risks of several serious side effects. Cigarette smoking increases the risk of serious cardiovascular side effects; women who take OCs are strongly advised not to smoke.

For more information, visit www.smartwomanrx.com or call 1-866-376-6527.