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Prescription Importation Update

Safe and Affordable. Now.

CPPI: A Word of Thanks; Survey; & Who Wins with Build Back Better?

Thank You!

[The Campaign for Personal Prescription Importation](#) has been advocating for Americans' access to safe and affordable medications since 2015. We are incredibly thankful for the participation and support from tens of thousands of patients across the country. We hope you continue to engage and advocate alongside us.



[We Need You To Take The Survey](#)

Please take the NEW [Campaign for Personal Prescription Importation Annual Survey!](#)

Congress and government leaders need to know the truth about safe and affordable personal prescription importation so that they can take action to expand access. This [survey](#) takes only a moment of your time and your input is critical to advancing the truth regarding patients' need for access to affordable medications.



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[Will The Build Back Better Legislation Solve High Rx Prices?](#)

The Build Back Better legislative package includes important but limited steps to lower prescription drug costs. The legislative package passed the U.S. House of Representatives and is being debated and potentially amended in the Senate, with a vote expected before Christmas.

“The Build Back Better legislation is a step in the right direction for prescription drug cost relief, but this limited legislative package will not solve all of America’s drug pricing problems and will take years to implement. Americans need the access to safe and affordable medicine that only expanded personal prescription importation from Canada offers, and they need it now.”

[Read the CPPI breakdown](#) on the legislative language for prescription drug cost relief.

In Case You Missed It:

[What Do 2021 Off-Year Election Results Mean for Drug Prices?](#)






Were the 2021 state elections in Virginia and New Jersey a referendum on Democrats' delays in passing key promises, like lowering prescription drug costs? Political impasse on solutions to lower drug prices has many Americans angry enough to vote. [Read More](#)

[U.S. Respiratory Health Costs Rising](#)



Nearly 37 million Americans suffer from respiratory illnesses says the [American Lung Association](#). Cases of the most common respiratory diseases in America could be higher according to [U.S. Health and Human Services](#) data and are on the rise. [Read More](#)

[U.S. Rx Prices Going Up, Canadian Savings Remain Consistent](#)

As if U.S. drug prices were not high enough already, a new CPPI price comparison of leading brand name prescription drugs shows average U.S. retail prices have climbed over \$165 in 2021. Online Canadian pharmacies have not seen a jump in prices and offer the same prescription drugs at savings up to 90% lower than the best U.S. coupon prices.

Drug Prices: U.S. VS Canada	 			
Entocort: IBD, Crohn's Disease, Ulcerative Colitis	\$2,046.62	\$2,014.70	\$249.94	88%
Flovent Diskus: Asthma *	\$198.65	\$245.30	\$55.31	72%
Spiriva: COPD	\$1,403.36	\$1,394.60	\$95.30	80%
Premarin: Estrogen Replacement Therapy	\$521.75	\$442.40	\$106.22	76%
Januvia: Type 2 Diabetes	\$1,724.55	\$1,449.50	\$125.57	74%
Crestor: Cholesterol	\$774.92	\$656.50	\$217.29	67%
Synthroid: Hormone Deficiency	\$128.97	\$120.20	\$36.06	72%
Xarelto: Blood Clots	\$1,445.43	\$1,436.90	\$455.27	68%
EpiPen: Allergies *Price for two .3mg injectors	\$607.27	\$582.40	\$279.22	52%
Dexilant: Stomach & Esophageal Issues	\$579.41	\$519.80	\$276.99	47%

Prices obtained September 2021. U.S. Cash price for a 90-day supply (* 1 Inhaler 60 Blister) calculated using the lowest after-coupon discount price of pharmacies listed on GoodRx.com for the United States. Canadian mail order prescription pricing calculated using the average price of pharmacies certified by Canadian International Pharmacy Association (CIPA.com). Canadian product pricing is for Health Canada approved brand name products, dispensed by a pharmacy licensed in Canada.

[Read more](#)

[NEW HHS Drug Pricing Importation Plan Misses the Mark](#)



CPPI released the following statement on the [Health and Human Services \(HHS\) report “A Comprehensive Plan for Addressing High Drug Price”](#) submitted to the White House Competition Council on Thursday, September 9, 2021:

“While we applaud the Biden Administration’s efforts to lower prescription drug prices, this plan gets prescription importation wrong and misses the only immediate source of safe and affordable medicines: allowing Americans to import for personal use,” said Jack Pfeiffer, CPPI Executive Director.

“Americans can’t afford to wait years for relief as a limited number of states design, seek federal approval, and implement programs that allow for bulk importation of prescription drugs. Congress should act now to ensure personal prescription importation is included in the reconciliation package and protected under the law. Just like with the recently approved rule on wholesale importation, HHS should certify that medications imported from licensed Canadian pharmacies clearly meet the standards for significant consumer cost savings and pose no risk to public health.”

[Read More](#)

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Take Action - Write to Congress or Submit Op-Eds to Your Local Paper

We need your help. All eyes are on Congress to legislate the solution to rising prescription drug costs. A multitude of proposals have been floated, but only two bills directly support personal prescription drug importation from Canada. The [Safe and Affordable Drugs from Canada Act of 2021 \(S.259, H.R.832\)](#) and [The Affordable and Safe Prescription Drug Importation Act of 2021 \(S.920, H.R. 2181\)](#) would expand support for prescription importation and fully codify individuals rights to safely import prescription drugs from Canada.



Join the cause, [share your testimony](#), contact congress, or submit an op-ed to your local newspaper. Now is the time to take action to ensure American patients have access to affordable prescription drugs.

Take Action To Support Passage of RxImportation Legislation

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18 Million in US Can’t Afford Household Medications

This month [Gallup and West Health](#) released survey data in which seven percent of U.S. adults — representing an estimated 18 million persons — reported in June that they were unable to pay for at least one doctor-prescribed medication for their household during the prior three months. The truth may be even more dire, amid the pandemic, somewhere between [44% and 29% of Americans failed to take their prescribed medications](#) due to cost.



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What is Your Experience? We Need Your Voice

We need your help. Providing a testimonial of your experience and the savings you have found by personally importing your prescription drugs from a Canadian pharmacy, takes only moments and can help tremendously. It only takes a moment. [Submit your testimonial and/or read others.](#)

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5 Quick Ways You Can Take Action:

1. Sign up to receive CPPI communications [HERE](#)
2. Share your story to help inform decision makers on the real impact of high drug prices [HERE](#)
3. Join our Action Committee and get more involved by emailing us at info@personalimportation.org
4. Let Congress know how this issue impacts you [HERE](#)
5. Follow us on [Twitter](#) & [Facebook](#) so you can see the latest news on this important issue

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About the Campaign for Personal Prescription Importation

The Campaign for Personal Prescription Importation (CPPI) is a national nonprofit patient advocacy organization that fights for Americans' access to safe, affordable prescription medications from Canada for personal use. Tens of millions of Americans – especially the elderly and others on fixed incomes – struggle to pay the extremely high price of prescription medications in the U.S. We are here to be their voice.

Millions of Americans use licensed Canadian pharmacies annually, to purchase their daily prescription medications at an affordable price. We believe that all Americans have a right to affordable medications. It is time to change the current U.S. policy on this issue to provide immediate access to life-saving medications, taken daily for chronic health conditions, at affordable prices.

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