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The following is information that may be of interest to you or someone you may know.

**Regards,
Representative Donna Rowland**

Walgreens clinics to offer free medical care for laid-off workers

[Walgreens](#) and Take Care Health Systems on Tuesday launched an initiative to offer free health care services to all of its current and future patients who lose their jobs after March 31 and have no health insurance.

The Take Care Recovery Plan offer applies to most services currently provided at the [Take Care Clinics](#). The plan includes treatment of:

- Respiratory Illnesses, such as colds, sinus infections, bronchitis and strep throat.
- Common Conditions, such as seasonal allergies and pink eye.
- Skin Conditions, such as dry skin, poison ivy, minor skin infections and burns.

Patients can access these services between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday. However, health evaluations, vaccinations, physicals and injection and infusion administration are excluded from the offer.

[Quest Diagnostics Inc.](#) (NYSE: DGX), is participating by providing free laboratory testing services for certain conditions.

“Walgreens and Take Care Health Systems strongly believe that a family’s health care needs should not take a backseat to the economy,” said Hal F. Rosenbluth, president of Walgreens (NYSE: WAG) health and wellness division and chairman of Take Care Health Systems, in a written statement. “Take Care Clinics were founded on the principle of providing patient-focused care and doing all that they can to help every patient in the communities they serve.”

Qualifying patients can use the free care services for the rest of 2009, or until they find a job or obtain health care benefits.