

Don't Cut Pills *Cut Profits!*

As an advocate for seniors, I have watched prescription drug prices in Medicare rise to levels many older Americans simply can't afford. These costs are inflicting real financial pain on seniors taking life-saving medications for serious and chronic conditions – including cancer, heart disease, diabetes, and musculoskeletal disorders. Medicare Part D covers seniors' medications, but millions of older people are burdened with out-of-pocket costs that can range from hundreds to thousands of dollars per month! How do seniors living on modest fixed incomes cope? Too often, they cut pills in half or skip doses altogether. Many are forced to choose between basic expenses like groceries and medicine. The consequences can be fatal. Surely this is an unacceptable situation in the wealthiest country on Earth. Congress and the President must act now to bring down prescription drug prices. Big Pharma can afford it; sick seniors cannot afford to wait any longer for relief from crushing costs at the drug counter. It's time we insist: Don't cut pills. Cut profits.

