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Express Medical Care Installs Area's First Automated Prescription Medication Dispenser: Offers Patients Unprecedented New Level of Care and Convenience

FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS, IL, March 16, 2011 – Express Medical Care, an urgent care clinic in Fairview Heights, Illinois, today announced it has begun offering InstyMeds, a fully automated ATM-style machine that dispenses prescribed medications to patients immediately before leaving the office. The system, the first of its kind in Illinois, outside of the Chicago area, offers a safe, convenient way for patients to receive their prescribed medications.

“This new system eliminates the need for patients to have to wait for their prescriptions at a pharmacy when they’re not feeling well. They can now get their medication in our clinic,” says Debbie Hazlett, RN, MSN/Director of Operations. “Patients can take the first dose of the medication before leaving the clinic.”

The InstyMeds system at Express Medical Care automates the entire process from the prescriber issuing the medication order, to the patient obtaining their medications, and payment collection. The patient can choose to obtain their medications from the clinic’s InstyMeds dispenser and be on their way in about the same time it takes them to use their bank ATM.

“The added convenience will help to ensure that patients fill and take their prescribed medications leading to faster recovery,” says Hazlett. “We continue to support our local pharmacies for the more complex medications; however for those patients who want the added convenience, especially when not feeling well, the immediate service provided by the InstyMeds system can’t be beat.”

How it works. The medical provider enters a medication order electronically, counsels the patient on the prescribed medication, and gives patients a voucher with a unique security code. Using the touch-screen of the InstyMeds dispenser, the patient enters the unique security code and their date of birth. If the patient has medication insurance coverage, the patient will only be charged their co-pay or deductible amount. The patient then swipes a debit or credit card to complete the transaction. After the dispenser performs a triple bar code safety check, the pre-packaged, labeled product is dispensed to the patient. The entire process typically takes a couple of minutes.

Patient Compliance: Studies show that between 20 and 30 percent of prescriptions that doctors write go unfilled. The added convenience of the InstyMeds system increases the likelihood that the patient will receive their prescribed medication and undergo the medication treatment plan.

About Express Medical Care

Express Medical Care is Fairview Height's premier urgent care center open 7 days a week from 8 am-8pm Monday through Friday and 8 am-6 pm Saturday and Sunday. Express Medical Care is conveniently located at 5031 N. Illinois Street approximately 2 miles South of Interstate 64. Express Medical Care offers urgent care for adults and children. Services include on-site x-ray and labs. In addition to treating individuals and families, Express Medical Care contracts with many area employers to provide Occupational Medicine and Workers Compensation services. Costs are significantly lower than a hospital ER visit with extremely reduced waiting times. Express Medical Care has structured our practice to meet your needs and convenience. Express Medical Care offers excellent customer service, walk-in service or appointments via the phone or on our website at [www. ExpressMedicalCare.com](http://www.ExpressMedicalCare.com). Express Medical provides quality patient care without the wait.

About InstyMeds

InstyMeds provides the only fully automated, ATM-style physician dispensing system for outpatient prescription medication services. With well over one million medications dispensed, InstyMeds' mission is to make patients better, quicker, by providing immediate access to acute medications. For more information, call 1-866-467-8963 or visit www.instymeds.com.

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