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Automated prescription dispenser now at Skaggs

It can be a hassle to get a prescription filled late at night, on a holiday or during bad weather. Skaggs Community Health Center has now launched an automated prescription drug dispenser to make the process easier.

The dispenser, called InstyMeds, is now available for patients in the waiting area of the emergency department at Skaggs Community Health Center, 251 Skaggs Road in Branson.

It is available for patients who have visited the emergency department between 9 p.m.-7 a.m. It will also be operating at times when other pharmacies may be closed, such as on holidays or during times of inclement weather.

After a physician inputs the patient's prescription into a computer, InstyMeds users are given a security code. They enter that code, along with their date of birth, when they visit the machine to retrieve their medication. Written instructions for taking the prescriptions are dispensed along with the medications.

InstyMeds takes payment by credit card, debit card or cash.

There is a phone nearby so patients can call the InstyMeds call center if they have trouble.

For more information about the InstyMeds system, see www.instymeds.com.
