

METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES-OTHER TYPES OF CARE

SERVICES	LIMITATIONS
1. Individual Practitioners, i.e., Physicians, Dentists, Chiropractors, Optometrists, Podiatrists	State Agency Fee Schedule Based on Established Criteria*
2. Prescribed Drugs	<p data-bbox="615 604 1117 625">Usual and customary charge to the general public</p> <p data-bbox="615 657 1433 894">The pharmacy's lowest net charge a medical assistance recipient would pay for a prescription as a non-medicaid patient at the time of dispensing for the same quantity and strength of a particular drug or product, including all applicable discounts, such as special rates to nursing home residents, senior citizens, or other such discounts extended to a particular group of patients, including generic drug discounts and savings programs. This lowest net price shall not apply to special in-store rates or discounts extended to charitable organizations, religious groups, store employees and their families, nonprofit organizations, members of the medical profession, or other similar non-medicaid groups.</p> <p data-bbox="615 926 816 947">Method of Payment</p> <p data-bbox="615 978 1385 1052">(a) The Department will pay a pharmacy for a compensable legend and nonlegend drug by deducting the copayment amount, if applicable, from the lowest of the following amounts:</p> <ul data-bbox="699 1083 1433 1272" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="699 1083 1422 1136">(1) The estimated acquisition cost (EAC) for the drug, multiplied by the number of units dispensed, plus the current dispensing fee.<li data-bbox="699 1167 1406 1220">(2) The State MAC for the drug, multiplied by the number of units dispensed, plus the current dispensing fee.<li data-bbox="699 1251 1433 1272">(3) The provider's usual and customary charge to the general public. <p data-bbox="615 1304 1352 1356">(b) For purposes of medical assistance payment to pharmacies, the prescription dispensing fee is \$2.00</p> <p data-bbox="615 1388 1433 1566">(c) The Department will pay a pharmacy for a compensable compound prescription at the lower of the cost of all ingredients plus a \$3.00 dispensing fee or the provider's usual and customary charge to the general public. A compounded prescription, for the purposes of medical assistance payment, is one which is prepared in the pharmacy by combining two or more ingredients and involves the weighing of a least one solid ingredient which shall be a compensable item or a legend drug in a therapeutic amount.</p> <p data-bbox="615 1598 1409 1671">(d) For medical assistance recipients with a pharmacy benefit resource which is a primary third party payer to medical assistance, the Department will pay a \$0.50 prescription dispensing fee.</p>