

Medicaid prescription reimbursement rates by state

| State | Ingredient cost | Dispensing fee | Co-pay |
|----------------|---|---|---|
| Alabama | WAC +9.2% then AWP-10% | \$5.40 | \$.50-\$3.00* |
| Alaska | AWP-5% | \$3.45-\$11.46 (based on pharmacy/Medicaid volume) | \$2.00 |
| Arizona | AWP-15% | \$2.00 (FFS only) | none |
| Arkansas | AWP-20% (generic); AWP-14% (brand) | \$5.51 | \$.50-\$3.00* |
| California | AWP-17% | \$7.25; \$8.00 (legend - skilled-nursing & intermediate care facilities) | \$1.00 |
| Colorado | AWP-35% (generic); AWP-13.5% (brand) | \$4.00 (retail pharmacy); \$1.89 (institutional pharmacy) | \$.75 (generic); \$3.00 (brand) |
| Connecticut | AWP-40% (generic); AWP-12% (brand) | \$3.15 | \$1.00 |
| Delaware | AWP-14% (traditional - retail independent & retail chain pharmacies); AWP-16% (nontraditional - long-term care & specialty pharmacies) | \$3.65 | none |
| DC | AWP-10% | \$4.50 | \$1.00 |
| Florida | Lower of AWP-15.45%; WAC+5.75%; FUL or SMAC | \$4.23 | 2.5% of payment up to \$300 |
| Georgia | AWP-11% | \$4.63 (brand for profit pharm); \$4.33 (brand not for profit); \$5.13 (generic for profit pharm); \$4.63 (generic not for profit) | \$.50 (generic); \$.50-\$3.00* (brand); \$.50 (preferred brand) |
| Hawaii | AWP-10.5% | \$4.67 | none |
| Idaho | AWP-12% | \$4.94 (\$5.54 for unit dose) | none |
| Illinois | AWP-25% (generic); AWP-12% (brand) | \$4.60 (generic); \$3.40 (brand) | \$.00 (generic); \$3.00 (brand) |
| Indiana | AWP-20% (generic); AWP-13.5% (brand) | \$4.90 | \$3.00 |
| Iowa | AWP-12% | \$4.26 | \$1.00 |
| Kansas | AWP-27% (generic); AWP-13% (single source) | \$3.40 | \$3.00 |
| Kentucky | AWP-12% | \$4.51 | \$1.00 |
| Louisiana | AWP-13.5% (AWP-15% for chains) | \$5.77 | \$.50-\$3.00* |
| Maine | AWP-15%; direct supply drug list-usual & customary charge or AWP-17% plus \$3.35 professional fee or FUL or MAC plus \$3.35 professional fee (Mail order lowest of usual & customary charge, AWP-20% plus \$1.00 professional fee-for exceptions see State plan, FUL or MAC plus \$1.00 professional fee) | \$3.35; \$4.35 & \$5.35 (compounding); \$12.50 (insulin syringe) | \$2.50 (generic & brand) (not to exceed \$25 per mo.) (Mail order not subject to co-pay) \$3 per day RHC (max of \$30 per mo., per individual) |
| Maryland | Lower of AWP-12% or WAC+8%, direct price+8% or distributor price+8% when available | \$3.69 (generic); \$2.69 (brand); \$4.69 (generic-NH); \$3.69 (brand-NH); \$7.25 (home IV therapy) | \$1.00-\$2.00 |
| Massachusetts | WAC+5% | \$3.50 (single source), \$5 (multiple source) | \$1.00 (multi-source & non-legend OTC); \$3.00 (non-exempt) |
| Michigan | AWP-13.5% (independ pharm, 1-4 stores); AWP-15.1% (chain, 5+ stores) | \$3.77 | \$1.00 |
| Minnesota | AWP-11% | \$3.65 | none |
| Mississippi | AWP-12% | \$3.91; allows for a reasonable dispensing fee for OTC | \$1.00 (generic); \$2.00 (preferred brand); \$3.00 (brand) |
| Missouri | Lower of AWP-10.43% or WAC+10% | \$4.09 | \$.50-\$2.00* |
| Montana | AWP-15% | \$4.70 | \$1.00 |
| Nebraska | AWP-11% | \$3.27-\$5.00 (based on service delivery, unit dosage, or third-party payers) | \$2.00 |
| Nevada | AWP-15% | \$4.76 | \$1.00 (generic); \$2.00 (brand) |
| New Hampshire | AWP-16% | \$1.75 | \$1.00 (generic); \$2.00 (brand & compound) |
| New Jersey | AWP-12.5% | \$3.73; \$4.07 (add'l services) | none |
| New Mexico | AWP-14% | \$3.65 | none |
| New York | AWP-12% | \$4.50 (generic); \$3.50 (brand) | \$.50 (generic); \$2.00 (brand) |
| North Carolina | AWP-10% | \$5.60 (generic); \$4.00 (brand) | \$1.00 (generic); \$3.00 (brand) |
| North Dakota | AWP-10% | \$5.60 (generic); \$4.60 (brand) | \$3.00 (brand) |
| Ohio | Lower of WAC+9% or AWP-12.8% | \$3.70 | \$3.00 (if not on PDL) |
| Oklahoma | AWP-12% | \$4.15 | \$1.00-\$2.00* |
| Oregon | AWP-11% (institutional), AWP-15% (noninstitutional) | \$3.50 (retail); \$3.91 (institutional) | \$2.00 (generic); \$3.00 (brand) |
| Pennsylvania | AWP-10% | \$4.00 | \$1.00 |
| Rhode Island | WAC+5% | \$3.40 (outpatient), \$2.85 (long-term care) | none |
| South Carolina | AWP-10% | \$4.05 (independ pharm); \$3.15 (institutional) | \$3.00 |
| South Dakota | AWP-10.5% | \$4.75 (\$5.55 for unit dose) | \$2.00 |
| Tennessee | AWP-13% | \$2.50 (long-term care & ambulatory); \$5.00 (NH only-if 28 days+) | N/A |
| Texas | Lower of AWP-15% or WAC+12% | \$5.14 | none |
| Utah | AWP-15% | \$3.90 (urban); \$4.40 (rural) | \$3.00 |
| Vermont | AWP-11.9% | \$4.25 | \$1.00-\$3.00* |
| Virginia | AWP-10.25% | \$3.75; \$5.00 (unit-dose drugs) | \$1.00 |
| Washington | AWP-14% (single & multiple source-w/2-4 manufact), AWP-50% (multiple source from 5+ manufact), AWP-19% (brand-mail order), AWP-15% (generic-mail order) | \$4.20-\$5.20 (based on 3-tiered pharmacy volume); \$3.25 (mail order) | none |
| West Virginia | AWP-12% | \$3.90 (+\$1.00 for compounding) | \$.50-\$3.00* |
| Wisconsin | AWP-11.25% | \$4.88 | \$.50 (over-the-counter); \$3.00 (brand); \$1.00 (generic) |
| Wyoming | AWP-11% | \$5.00 | \$2.00 |

*Co-pay varies by cost of prescription. AWP = average wholesale price, WAC = wholesaler acquisition cost, NH = nursing home

Source: The data listed above were updated as of December 2004 by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.