Prescription Drug Affordability Board

Data Collection Background



Senate Bill 5532 (2022)

History

- Passed during the 2022 Legislative session
- Based on the National Academy for State Health Policy (NASHP) model legislation, amended during the process

Board

- Five-member board appointed by governor
- Serve five-year terms
- Conflicts of interest prohibited

Eligible Drug List

RCW 70.405.030

Drugs subject to the purview of the Board:

- Brand names and biologics
 - Have a wholesale acquisition cost (WAC) of \$60,000 or more for a course of treatment less than one year
 - Price increase of 15 percent per year or 50 percent over three years
- Biosimilars with initial acquisition cost not at least 15 percent lower than the reference biological product
- Generics with a wholesale acquisition cost of \$100 or more for a 30day supply that increased 200 percent or more in the previous year

Affordability reviews

- RCW 70.405.040
- Board may conduct affordability reviews of up to 24 drugs per year from the eligible drug list
- Must determine whether the drug led or will lead to excess costs to patients
- The board may examine publicly available information as well as collect confidential and proprietary information from the prescription drug manufacturers and other relevant sources.
- Manufacturers must submit all requested information to the board within 30 days of the request

Affordability reviews

- Must consider:
 - Relevant price factors
 - Average patient costs
 - Effects on access
 - Orphan drug status
 - Patient assistance programs
 - Therapeutic alternatives
 - Input from patients and medical experts

• May consider:

- Life-cycle management
- The average cost of the drug in the state
- Market competition and context
- Projected revenue
- Off-label usage of the drug
- Any additional factors identified by the board.

Current Updates

- Identified a list of 294 drugs which meet the drug review criteria outlined in the legislation
- Created a dashboard to show relevant data required for selection of drugs for a drug review
- Worked with our board to rank and weight the data metrics to prioritize drugs for selection
- Finalizing some additional dashboard requests by the board before they select any drugs
- Currently developing data forms to help gather required data for drug reviews when drugs are selected.



Seeking feedback and collaboration with our industry partners

Please submit written comments by March 14th

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