



# PDAB – Pharmacy Perspective

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# Patients First

- Pharmacists support lowering drug costs for patients
- Identify lower cost, effective drug therapy
- Availability of prescription drugs
- Access to pharmacies and pharmacist-delivered care
- Partners to finding solutions



# THE IMPORTANCE OF THE RIGHT MEDICATION

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## THE PATIENT

Healthcare is patient centric. Decisions by PDABs will have an impact on prescribers, patients and pharmacists.

## THE PHARMACY

Pharmacists are trusted community healthcare providers. To help ensure access to medications and pharmacist-delivered health and wellness services, PDABs should consider the essential role of pharmacists and pharmacies in the healthcare continuum.



# Pharmacy Reimbursement Landscape

- To help ensure reasonable reimbursement and sustainable pharmacy services for beneficiaries, community pharmacy reimbursement is comprised of two parts:
  - 1) the product cost and
  - 2) a professional dispensing fee across payer markets
- Pharmacy reimbursement for prescription drugs subject to PDABs' UPLs should, at a minimum cover, pharmacy's cost to acquire and dispense or administer each drug

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- Without necessary guardrails to ensure reasonable and sufficient reimbursement for community pharmacies, UPLs may result in inadequate or below-cost reimbursement to pharmacy providers and pharmacies by failing to reconcile the difference between the UPL and the pharmacy's acquisition cost and cost to dispense the prescribed drug.

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