

Interagency Pharmaceutical Purchasing Council

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**NEW MEXICO
COUNTIES**

33 STRONG

New Mexico Counties' Workers' Compensation Fund

- The New Mexico Workers' Compensation Act allows for pooling of public entities for their workers' compensation coverage.
- 29 of the 33 New Mexico counties participate in our Workers' Compensation Fund, which covers 7,874 county employees.
- Coverage includes indemnity, medical and pharmaceutical benefits for a compensable work related injury.

Prescriptions and NM Workers' Compensation

New Mexico Workers' Compensation

- Created through a legislative act in 1991; a no-fault system of rules and regulations to protect workers injured in the course and scope of employment and their employers.
- Medical care, including prescription medications, are covered so long as it is prescribed by the authorized health care provider and is considered reasonable and medically necessary.
- The New Mexico Workers' Compensation Administration sets the fee schedule, also known as the Maximum Allowable Price (MAP), by which medical bills are paid.
- Prescriptions are paid based on the MAP using the Average Wholesale Price (AWP) and a formula set forth by the Workers' Compensation Administration.
- There are no out-of-pocket expenses (co-pays) for medical care or prescription medications.

Current Plan Design

New Mexico Counties issues a Request for Proposal and selects the Pharmacy Benefit Manager. Once the selection process begins, we are able to negotiate our rates for both brand and generic prescriptions.

Retail and Mail Order Prescriptions

- Brand: 13.23% below Maximum Allowable Price
- Generic: 42% below Maximum Allowable Price

Top 5 Drugs by Volume

December 2018-
November 2019

Number of Fills	Total Units	Description	Total Cost
84	6320	IBUPROFEN TAB 800MG	\$2,176.75
77	8435	TRAMADOL HCL TAB 50MG	\$4,084.43
66	3303	HYDROCO/APAP TAB 5-325MG	\$1,322.65
65	5318	HYDROCO/APAP TAB 10-325MG	\$2,780.95
63	5250	GABAPENTIN CAP 300MG	\$1,674.25

Top 5 Drugs by Cost

December 2018-
November 2019

Drug Name	Number of Fills	Total Cost	AVG Cost per Fill	AVG Quantity per Fill
GRALISE TAB 600MG	31	\$19,919.15	\$642.55	70
LYRICA CAP 75MG	22	\$10,431.48	\$474.16	59
LYRICA CAP 50MG	16	\$9,508.09	\$594.26	73
CELECOXIB CAP 200MG	58	\$9,223.90	\$159.03	37
METAXALONE TAB 800MG	28	\$8,749.85	\$312.49	100

Cost Data

December 2018-November
2019

	Fee Schedule Price	PBM Price	Savings Over Fee Schedule	% of Savings	Average Cost per Prescription
Brand	\$97,509.21	\$92,885.64	\$4,623.57	4.74%	\$398.65
Generic	\$174,285.38	\$107,101.36	\$67,184.02	38.55%	\$75.90
Total	\$271,794.59	\$199,987.00	\$71,807.59	26.42%	

Number of Claimants	198	
Number of Prescriptions	1644	
Number of Generic Prescriptions	1411	85.8% Generic Penetration