

Oregon's Health Care Providers Support HB 4028 and the 340B Program

Legislation preserves medication savings and supports affordable health care for Oregonians across the state



340B is a federal program created in 1992 that allows safety net clinics and hospitals to purchase medications at a discount and use those savings to support the services of underserved Oregonians. HB 4028 prohibits drug manufacturers from their current practice of restricting eligible providers from access to the 340B program. Similar legislation has passed in states like Arkansas, Louisiana and Virginia with bipartisan support.

Who is eligible for 340B drug pricing discounts and how are they held accountable?

The "covered entities" eligible by the federal government to participate in the 340B program are ONLY those that predominantly serve Medicaid, uninsured, and underinsured patients. The Health Resources and Services Administration and manufacturers regularly audit covered entities to ensure compliance and reinvestment.

What happens if HB 4028 doesn't pass?

Safety net hospitals and clinics across Oregon testified that the erosion of 340B by pharmaceutical manufacturers since 2020 has meant millions of dollars less in Oregon to support affordable health care for Oregonians all over the state.

Is PhRMA negatively impacted by this legislation?

NO. In 2022, PhRMA had record profits of more than \$1.3 trillion. HB 4028 would prevent further erosion of 340B savings and maintain reinvestment here in Oregon. The bill requires drug manufacturers to hold up their end and support safety net services to vulnerable Oregonians.

From the desk of Representative Rob Nosse
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