

# 2019 State Advocacy Priorities



**Transparency in payments. Accountability of PBMs to taxpayers. Fairness to community pharmacies.**

These are the focus of NCPA's 2019 state advocacy priorities:

**1**  
Medicaid managed care pharmacy payment reforms

**2**  
Comprehensive PBM regulation

**3**  
Scope of practice and compensation for patient services

From Medicaid pharmacy payment reform to expansions of scope that allow pharmacists to better serve their patients to comprehensive state-level PBM regulation, NCPA is ready to assist our state partners with 2019 legislation that brings transparency, accountability, and fairness to the pharmacy payment model.

## 1. Medicaid managed care pharmacy payment reforms

- Pharmacy benefit “carve-out” from MMC
- Establish MMC reimbursement floor at the fee-for-service rate
- Assist with state compliance with CMS-mandated NADAC+
- Require a PBM pass-through pricing model (PBA)
- Increase state regulatory oversight over PBMs in MMC
  - Transparency in Medicaid contracts
  - Eliminate wasteful spread pricing in taxpayer-funded programs

## 2. Comprehensive PBM regulation

- Adoption of NCOIL ‘PBM Licensure and Regulation Model Act’ by states
- Standardizing maximum allowable cost list processes and disclosure
- Post-point-of-sale claim adjustment / “claw-backs”
- Treatment of generic effective rate

## 3. Scope of practice and compensation for patient services

- Expanded regulatory authority for state boards of pharmacy to define scope of practice
- Immunizations, hormonal contraceptives, smoking cessation, point-of-care testing, and prescriptive authority
- Recognition and compensation by insurers for enhanced services provided by community pharmacists

### NCPA Services Menu

*Our state government affairs team can assist you with any of the following advocacy support services related to these priority issues:*

1. Issue background
2. Bill review
3. Model language on priority issues
4. Letters of support or opposition
5. Testimony
6. State-specific grassroots calls-to-action to NCPA members
7. Consultation on legislative strategy

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