

National Community Pharmacists Association LDF

The Legislative/Legal Defense Fund: Defending Community Pharmacy



\$1.7 Million

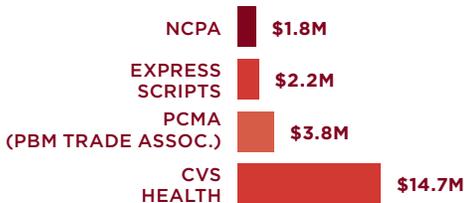
total receipts in FY 2014

Running an **effective** legislative and regulatory program can be **quite costly**.



A fully-funded Government Affairs operation **is necessary to keep the tide turning** in our favor and can cost over **\$2 million** a year.

The health care industry alone spends **\$300+ million annually on lobbying**.



Despite being outspent, NCPA and the grassroots efforts of members **stopped giant PBM initiatives**.

What is the **money used for/what does the LDF do?**



Litigation is also expensive, **but we can see the benefits**, such as the **billions of dollars**

in Medicaid pharmacy cuts averted though **securing** and **maintaining** the Federal Medicaid AMP injunction. NCPA **helped** the Iowa Pharmacy Association by supporting the Iowa attorney general's **defense of a challenge** by the PBM industry to the state's MAC transparency law. **Defeat of this commonly utilized PBM argument** represents a **notable win on behalf of community pharmacy**. As pharmacy continues to enact stronger legislation at the state level, the PBMs **will continue** to respond with **aggressive** legal action in an attempt to overturn such laws. NCPA will battle back representing you every step of the way!

Community pharmacy is subject to pervasive federal regulation.

The **government plays the leading role** in reimbursement policy for Medicare and Medicaid patients.



The LDF funds

our national and state government affairs activities **on your behalf**.

Why should I **contribute to the LDF?**



NCPA **needs a healthy LDF** to fight back.

That means, on **average**,



is **directly** impacted by what the **government** does or doesn't do.