

Effective for dates of service on and after April 1, 2017, Washington Apple Health (Medicaid) administered by the Health Care Authority (the agency) will be implementing the Actual Acquisition Cost (AAC) provisions of the federal Covered Outpatient Drug Rule (CODR).

As required by federal law, the Agency's FFS point-of-sale (POS) system will replace the current Estimated Acquisition Cost (EAC) of AWP-16%, with an Actual Acquisition Cost (AAC) methodology.

The Agency will be using the National Average Drug Acquisition Cost (NADAC) in place of the AWP based rates. When there is no NADAC available for a drug, the agency will use wholesale acquisition cost or other available price.

The Point of Sale AAC will be calculated as the lowest of:

- National average drug acquisition cost (NADAC);
- Maximum allowable cost (MAC);
- Federal upper limit (FUL):
- 340B Actual acquisition cost (340B AAC) for drugs purchased under section 340B of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act.

Dispensing fees are unaffected by this change.

For more information on the Federal Upper Limit (FUL) or the National Average Drug Acquisition Cost (NADAC) please see Medicaid.gov Pharmacy Pricing.

To request a change in reimbursement for a FFS claim, please download the Pharmacy Information Authorization (13-835A) form on the <a href="Pharmacy Reimbursement FFS website">Pharmacy Reimbursement FFS website</a> and fax the request with an invoice to (866) 668-1214.

If you have any questions other than for reimbursement corrections please contact us at <a href="mailto:pharmacyrates@hca.wa.gov">pharmacyrates@hca.wa.gov</a> or by phone at (360) 725-1334.