

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PAYMENTS FOR MEDICAL AND REMEDIAL CARE AND SERVICES

METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES – OTHER TYPES OF CARE OR SERVICES LISTED IN SECTION 1902(a) OF THE ACT THAT ARE INCLUDED IN THE PROGRAM UNDER THE PLAN ARE DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

<u>CITATION</u>	Medical and Remedial	<u>Prescription drugs, dentures, and prosthetic devices and Eyeglasses</u>
42 CFR	Care and Services	<u>Prescribed by a Physician Skilled in Diseases of the Eye, or by an</u>
447	Item 12.a.	<u>Optometrist.</u>
Subpart D		

**Prescribed drugs are reimbursed as follows:**

**I. PROFESSIONAL DISPENSING FEE**

The Department has established a professional dispensing fee which shall be reviewed periodically for reasonableness, and when deemed appropriate by Louisiana Medicaid, may be adjusted considering such factors as fee studies or surveys.

The pharmacy provider will be reimbursed at the appropriate ingredient cost plus the maximum allowable professional dispensing fee or the usual and customary charge, whichever is less.

**Professional Dispensing Fee Amount**

1. The professional dispensing fee for drugs dispensed to Louisiana Medicaid enrollees will be ~~\$10.99~~11.81 per prescription.
2. The professional dispensing fee for drugs dispensed to Louisiana Medicaid enrollees and obtained through the Public Health Service 340B Program will be ~~\$10.99~~11.81 per prescription.

**II. PHARMACY REIMBURSEMENT METHODOLOGY**

Prescription drugs covered by Louisiana Medicaid shall be reimbursed according to the following:

**Brand Name Drugs**

Payment for single source drugs (brand name drugs) shall be based on the lower of:

1. National Average Drug Acquisition Cost (NADAC) plus the professional dispensing fee;
  - a. If the NADAC is not available, use the wholesale acquisition cost (WAC) plus the professional dispensing fee; or
2. The provider's usual and customary charges to the general public.