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## Feeling the Squeeze: Prescription Drug Pricing Trends and Options for State Policymakers

### *Resource and Publication List*

#### Wisconsin-Specific Resources

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##### **UW-Madison Sonderegger Research Center**

A research center at the UW School of Pharmacy that addresses organization and financing of health care, policy and public health, quality and promotion of best practice in pharmacy, along with patient behavior and outcomes.

[pharmacy.wisc.edu/src/](http://pharmacy.wisc.edu/src/)

##### **Sonderegger Research Center's Lemberger Report**

Publication summarizing research on public health and pharmacy in Wisconsin, focusing on county disparities, access and availability of ambulatory care pharmacies, and workforce.

[pharmacy.wisc.edu/wp-content/uploads/2015\\_Lemberger\\_Report.pdf](http://pharmacy.wisc.edu/wp-content/uploads/2015_Lemberger_Report.pdf)

##### **Wisconsin Drug Utilization Review Board**

State entity charged with developing procedures to assure appropriate drug use in Wisconsin's Medicaid programs.

[www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/wiportal/content/provider/medicaid/pharmacy/dur/meetings.htm](http://www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/wiportal/content/provider/medicaid/pharmacy/dur/meetings.htm)  
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##### **Wisconsin State Law Library (Prescription Drug References Database)**

An inventory of Wisconsin organizations, agencies, consumer guides, and laws related to prescription drugs.

[wilawlibrary.gov/topics/medlaw/drugs.php](http://wilawlibrary.gov/topics/medlaw/drugs.php)

##### **Wisconsin News Coverage**

- Kirby, Sean et al. "Costs of widely prescribed drugs jumped up to 5,241 percent in recent years, joint investigation shows." (2016)  
[wisconsinwatch.org/2016/11/costs-of-widely-prescribed-drugs-jumped-up-to-5241-percent-in-recent-years/](http://wisconsinwatch.org/2016/11/costs-of-widely-prescribed-drugs-jumped-up-to-5241-percent-in-recent-years/)
- Leland, Mark. "Fox 11 Investigates: Cost of prescription drugs." (2017)  
[fox11online.com/news/fox-11-investigates/fox-11-investigates-cost-of-prescription-drugs](http://fox11online.com/news/fox-11-investigates/fox-11-investigates-cost-of-prescription-drugs)
- Gerrish, Courtney. "I-Team Investigation: What's behind prescription drug price hikes." (2016)  
[www.tmj4.com/news/local-news/i-team-investigation-whats-behind-prescription-drug-price-hikes](http://www.tmj4.com/news/local-news/i-team-investigation-whats-behind-prescription-drug-price-hikes)

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## Other Resources

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### National Academy for State Health Policy Pharmacy Costs Workgroup

- Full Report, *States and the Rising Cost of Pharmaceuticals: A Call to Action* (2016)  
[www.nashp.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/10/Rx-Paper.pdf](http://www.nashp.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/10/Rx-Paper.pdf)
- Prescription drug resource page, including model drug price transparency legislation  
[www.nashp.org/category/prescription-drugs/](http://www.nashp.org/category/prescription-drugs/)

### Health Affairs

- Policy Brief on Specialty Pharmaceuticals (2013)  
[healthaffairs.org/healthpolicybriefs/brief\\_pdfs/healthpolicybrief\\_103.pdf](http://healthaffairs.org/healthpolicybriefs/brief_pdfs/healthpolicybrief_103.pdf)
- Pharmaceutical Resources Collection  
[content.healthaffairs.org/cgi/collection/pharmaceuticals](http://content.healthaffairs.org/cgi/collection/pharmaceuticals)

### National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) Pharmaceutical Page

Database of pharmaceutical-related data, policies, and legislative tracking.

[www.ncsl.org/research/health/pharmaceuticals-facts-policies-and-ncsl-resources.aspx](http://www.ncsl.org/research/health/pharmaceuticals-facts-policies-and-ncsl-resources.aspx)

### Council of State Governments Pharmaceutical Resources

Articles and summaries of state activities on prescription drugs.

[knowledgecenter.csg.org/kc/category/policy-area/health/insurance-coverage-and-medical-care/prescription-drugs](http://knowledgecenter.csg.org/kc/category/policy-area/health/insurance-coverage-and-medical-care/prescription-drugs)

### Medicaid and CHIP Payment and Access Commission (MACPAC)

- Issue Brief, Medicaid Payment for Outpatient Prescription Drugs (2015)  
[www.macpac.gov/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/Medicaid-Payment-for-Outpatient-Prescription-Drugs.pdf](http://www.macpac.gov/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/Medicaid-Payment-for-Outpatient-Prescription-Drugs.pdf)
- Issue Brief, Medicaid Spending for Prescription Drugs (2016)  
[www.macpac.gov/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Medicaid-Spending-for-Prescription-Drugs.pdf](http://www.macpac.gov/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Medicaid-Spending-for-Prescription-Drugs.pdf)