

Purpose: Define common acronyms and abbreviations used in the 340B Program.

Acronym	Definition
AAC	Actual acquisition cost
ACA	Affordable Care Act (abbreviation of PPACA)
ACO	Accountable care organization
ADAP	AIDS Drug Assistance Program
ADR	Administrative dispute resolution
ADT	Admission, discharge, transfer system
AFI	Area for improvement
AGP	Apexus Generics Program
AMP	Average manufacturer price
AO	Authorizing official
ASP	Average sales price
Avg AC	Average acquisition cost
AWP	Average wholesale price
BIN	Bank identification number
BL	Black lung clinic
BP	Best price (“Medicaid best price”)
BPHC	Bureau of Primary Health Care
CAH	Critical access hospital
CAN	Freestanding cancer hospital
CAP	Corrective action plan
CBO	Congressional Budget Office
CDM	Charge description master or charge drug master
CE	Covered entity
CH	Consolidated Health Center Program (now combines 340B eligible entity types: federally qualified health centers [FQHCs], FQHC look-alikes, school-based programs, Health Care for the Homeless Program, Migrant Health Program, and Public Housing Primary Care Program entities)
CHC	Community health center
CHIP	Children’s Health Insurance Program
CSOS	Controlled Substance Ordering System

Acronym	Definition
CIA	Corporate integrity agreement
CMP	Civil monetary penalty
CMS	Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
COD	Covered outpatient drug
CP	Contract pharmacy
CPI-U	Consumer Price Index–Urban
DoD	Department of Defense
DRA	Deficit Reduction Act of 2005
DSH	Disproportionate share hospital
DSH %	Disproportionate share adjustment percentage
EAC	Estimated acquisition cost
EDI	Electronic data interchange
EHB	Electronic Handbook (HRSA)
EHR	Electronic health record
EIN	Employer identification number
EMR	Electronic medical record
EO	Executive order
EOP	Entity-owned pharmacy
FAR	Federal Acquisition Regulation
FCP	Federal ceiling price
FDA	Food and Drug Administration
FFS	Fee-for-service Medicaid
FP	Family planning clinic (includes only Title X funded clinics)
FPL	Federal poverty level
FQHC/ FQHCLA	Federally qualified health center/federally qualified health center look-alike
FQHC638	Tribal Contract/Compact with Indian Health Service (IHS) (P.L. 93-638)
FRN	Federal Register notice
FSS	Federal Supply Schedule
FTE	Full-time equivalent
FUL	Federal upper limit

Acronym	Definition
GAO	Government Accountability Office
GO	Government official
GPO	Group purchasing organization
HCPCS	Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System
HCRIS	Healthcare Cost Report Information System
HHS	Department of Health and Human Services
HIBCC	Health Industry Business Communications Council
HIN	Health Industry Number
HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act
HM	Comprehensive hemophilia treatment center
HMO	Health maintenance organization
HRSA	Health Resources and Services Administration
HTC	Hemophilia treatment center
HV	Ryan White Part C (formerly Title III)
IDN	Integrated delivery network
IHS	Indian Health Service
IPPS	Inpatient Prospective Payment System
ISMP	Institute for Safe Medication Practices
LARC	Long-acting reversible contraception
LDD	Limited distribution drug
LDN	Limited distribution network
MA	Medicare Advantage
MAC	Maximum allowable cost or Medicare administrative contractor
MCO	Managed care organization
MCR	Medicare cost report
MDRP	Medicaid Drug Rebate Program
MEF	Medicaid Exclusion File
MH	Migrant Health Center
MMA	Medicare Modernization Act
MMCO	Medicaid managed care organization
MPN	Medicaid provider number

Acronym	Definition
MTM	Medication therapy management
NABP	National Association of Boards of Pharmacy
NACHC	National Association of Community Health Centers
NCPDP	National Council for Prescription Drug Programs
NDC	National Drug Code
NFPRHA	National Family Planning and Reproductive Health Association
NH	Native Hawaiian health center
Non-FAMP	Non-federal average manufacturer price
NPI	National Provider Identifier
NPRM	Notice of proposed rulemaking
ODA	Orphan Drug Act
OIG	Office of Inspector General
OPA	Office of Pharmacy Affairs
OPAIS	Office of Pharmacy Affairs Information System
OPPS	Outpatient Prospective Payment System
PAD	Physician-administered drug
PAP	Patient assistance program
PBM	Pharmacy benefit manager
PC	Primary contact
PCA	Primary care association
PCN	Processor code number
PDF	Professional dispensing fee
PDL	Preferred drug list
PDP	Prescription drug plan
PED	Children’s hospital (from “pediatric”)
PHS	U.S. Public Health Service
PHSA	Public Health Service Act
PPA	Pharmaceutical pricing agreement
PPO	Preferred provider organization
PPS	Prospective payment system
PSAO	Pharmacy services administrative organization

Acronym	Definition
PVP	Prime Vendor Program
REMS	Risk evaluation and mitigation strategy
RRC	Rural referral center
RW	Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program grantee
RWI	Ryan White Part A (formerly Title I)
RWII	Ryan White Part B (formerly Title II)
RWIID	Ryan White Part B (formerly Title II) ADAP Direct Purchase
RWIIR	Ryan White Part B (formerly Title II) ADAP Rebate Option
RW4	Ryan White Part D (formerly Title IV)
SCH	Sole community hospital
SNF	Skilled nursing facility
SPA	State plan amendment
SPAP	State pharmaceutical assistance program
SPNS	Ryan White Part F (formerly Special Projects of National Significance)
SSA	Social Security Act
STD	Sexually transmitted disease clinic
TB	Tuberculosis clinic
TPA	Third-party administrator
TrOOP	True out-of-pocket cost/spending
UI	Tribal/urban Indian health center
URA	Unit rebate amount
VA	Department of Veterans Affairs
WAC	Wholesale acquisition cost

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