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Updated Pharmacy Provider Guidance on Professional Dispensing Fees

As a result of a recent Cost of Dispensing Survey, the Office of Pharmacy Services (OPS) has made modifications to the current Fee-for-Service (FFS) reimbursement, related to the Professional Dispensing fees. Effective 2/1/2021, there will be an increase in the Professional Dispensing fees paid to Maryland Medicaid FFS community participating pharmacy providers for covered services. This includes covered services rendered to participants in nursing facilities.

The following modifications have been made to the Maryland Medicaid FFS Professional Dispensing fees:

- Professional Dispensing fee to non-LTC (Long-Term Care)/NH (Nursing Home) Pharmacies increased from \$10.49 to \$10.67.
- Professional Dispensing fee to LTC/NH Pharmacies increased from \$11.49 to \$11.67.

If there are questions regarding the development of the professional dispensing fees, please review the published [Cost of Dispensing Survey Report](#).

In an effort to give timely notice to the pharmacy community concerning important pharmacy topics, the Maryland Department of Health (MDH) Office of Pharmacy Services (OPS) has developed the **Maryland Medicaid Pharmacy Program Advisory**.

To expedite information timely to the pharmacy and prescriber communities, an email network has been established which incorporates the email lists of the Maryland Pharmacists Association, EPIC, CARE, Long Term Care Consultants, headquarters of all chain drugstores and prescriber associations and organizations.

It is our hope that the information is disseminated to all interested parties. If you have not received this email through any of the previously noted parties or via MDH, please contact the OPS representative at 410-767-1455.