



# ESTONIA

## Recent and planned developments in pharmaceutical policies 2017

### Special topic: e-health for medicines launched by public authorities or addressing them

D E V E L O P M E N T S	<p><b>CHANGES IN PRICING</b></p> <p>No changes.</p>	<p><b>CHANGES IN REIMBURSEMENT</b></p> <p><i>The changes in the additional pharmaceutical reimbursement scheme are <u>in the discussion phase</u> as following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Replacement of the monetary model of additional pharmaceutical reimbursement scheme with the direct higher reimbursement level for the patient, taking into account his/her overall costs for the reimbursed pharmaceuticals (using preferences of digital prescription system)</li> <li>• The increase of the monetary limits of additional pharmaceutical reimbursement scheme is under discussion.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>OTHER CHANGES</b></p> <p><i>The structural reorganization of pharmaceutical pricing and reimbursement procedures are under discussion:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The practical tasks, regarding pharmaceutical pricing and reimbursement procedures (pharmaceutical pricing and reimbursement negotiations, decisions) are planned to move into the Health Insurance Fund (together with the competency)</li> </ul>	
S P E C I A L T O P I C	<p><b>E-HEALTH FOR MEDICINES</b></p> <p>Measure: e-prescription system          Provided by: Estonian Health Insurance Fund, in collaboration with Ministry of Social Affairs, State Agency of Medicines          Aim: digitalization of the prescription and dispensing procedures of pharmaceuticals          Target group: population, health care providers, pharmacies          Further information: the system has been applied in in major extent for today, the system does strongly support the INN-prescription of pharmaceuticals (93% of prescriptions have been INN-based in 2016)</p>	