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Pharmaceutical pricing and reimbursement policies in the in- and out-patient sector

OUT-PATIENT

IN - PATIENT

PRICING at ex-factory level

PRICING at wholesale and pharmacy level

Pricing in the out-patient reimbursement

Pricing policies for reimbursable medicines External price referencing: Declared manufacturer price is compared with 95 % of the average manufacturer prices in reference countries (8 countries)

The first generic is required to be priced 50% below the originator. The second and the third follower required to set their prices 15% lower than the cheapest product and the following ones need to be cheaper

The first biosimilar is required to be priced 30% below the originator. The second and the third follower required to set their prices 10% lower than the cheapest product and the following ones need to be cheaper

Pricing in the in-patient sector (Public hospital)

Negotiations Committee under the Ministry of Health

Price negotiations

Expensive hospital medicines included in the List of Centrally Procured Medicines and Medical Devices (centrally purchased by the NHIF)

Hospital medicines not included in the List of Centrally Procured Medicines and Medical Devices

Statutory pricing

Wholesales Regressive margins

Pharmacies Regressive margins

VAT: 5% for reimbursable medicines, 21% for nonreimbursable medicines

Tendering Price negotiations

Expensive hospital medicines included in the List of Centrally Procured Medicines and Medical Devices All hospital medicines

Statutory margins are not relevant, unless products are from community pharmacy

> VAT: 5% - reimbursed medicines 21% - not reimbursed medicines

Reimbursement in the out-patient sector

Positive list (500 active substances included on positive list) Reference price system (RPS)

ATC 5 & 4 level (Lowest price of medicine in reference group)

Percentage co-payment

10%, 20%, 50% of reimbursed rate, depends on severity of the disease (the more severe, the higher the reimbursement rate), 100% reimbursed medicines has co-payment until 1.5 EUR (depends on retail price, exception Insulins)

Mechanisms for vulnerable groups

100 % reimbursed rate for all reimbursed medicines for children, disable patients

Reforms

REIMBURSEMENT

MEA: price volume, expenditure cap, risk sharing

E-prescriptions system

Reimbursement in the in-patient sector

Expensive hospital medicines included in the List of Centrally Procured Medicines and Medical Devices (26 active substances)

Out-patient list also relevant for in-patient sector

Medicines are integrated in the lump sum (with some exceptions) which can be generated for reimbursement Hospital formularies are not centralized Pharmaceutical formulary per hospital

No co-payment in hospitals

Reforms

price negotiations with manufactures or wholesalers strategy for the acquisition of patented expensive hospital drugs