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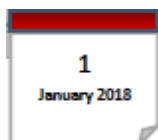
Recent and planned developments in pharmaceutical policies 2017

Special topic: hospital medicines

CHANGES IN PRICING

The following measures are implemented in pricing of reimbursed medicinal products:

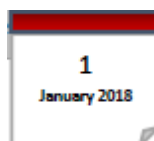
- If the INN is produced by 3 and more producers the declare price of medicinal products could not exceed the average of reference price of the cheapest products more than 10% (objective – decrease of patient co-payment)



Reimbursement and non-reimbursement medicinal products VAT tariff is 5 % (now for non-reimbursement, witch price is higher than 300 euro – VAT 21 %);

CHANGES IN REIMBURSEMENT

In 2017 start reimbursed **14** new active substance: (medicinal products used in the in vitro fertilization (IVF) procedure, direct factor Xa inhibitors, direct thrombin inhibitors, sodium-glucose co-transporter 2 (SGLT2) inhibitors and etc.)



Fixed patient co-payment if medicinal product is reimbursement at 100 % level:

- If medicinal products retail price till 20 Eur – patient co-payment 20 % reimbursed (basic) price;
- medicinal products retail price more than 20 Eur – patient co-payment 3,93 Eur.

OTHERS CHANGES

- Start HTA pilot project;
- Guidelines of pharmaceutical policy (rational use of medicines, pricing of medicines, use of generics, real data collection an etc.)

SPECIAL TOPIC: HOSPITAL MEDICINES

IN-PATIENT REIMBURSEMED MEDICINES

Centrally Procured medicines



In-patient pharm. expenditure

2016: 46 Mio. Euro (estimation, 7,2 % of TPE)



Procurements

-done by NHIF
-expensive medicines used in hospital facilities, which are needed by 500 or less patients per year

Hospital medicines



In-patient pharm. expenditure

2016: 89 Mio. Euro (estimation, 12,7% of TPE)



Procurements

-by Central procuring organization (CPO) or hospitals
-tendering procedure
-no joint procurement
-medicines are free of charge for patient and the cost of medicines is included in the price of the medical service
-negotiations with pharmacy company
- actual purchasing prices are not published