

BELGIUM

Recent and planned developments in pharmaceutical policies 2019

Special topic: Patient-based reimbursement decisions

CHANGES IN PRICING

CHANGES IN REIMBURSEMENT

01.2019: Reform economic margin pharmacist (outpatient)

04.2019: volume cliff

04.2019: ceiling prices in hospitals

01.2019: Tarification in hospitals at 85% of the reimbursed price

04.2019: virtual margin of 10 % in cheap(est)

Q3/4.2019: review diabetes, haemophilia, anti-HIV, renal cancer immunoglobulins

OTHER CHANGES

01.2019

Introduction of 'cheap prescription' + 'cheapest delivery' in hospitals

01.2020

Mandatory use of Authentic Source of Medicines

01.2020

Mandatory e-prescription for medicines for ambulatory patients

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REIMBURSEMENT PRINCIPLE

→ what is the goal of health care systems?

The primary goal of health care policy = to **maximize the health of the population within the limits of the available resources**, and

within an **ethical framework** built on equity and solidarity principles.

→ EFFICIENCY

→ EQUITY

REIMBURSEMENT FUNDING

MEA: Pay 4 Performance / Cure / Result
College of Medical Doctors for Orphan Drugs (CMDOD)

IF NO REIMBURSEMENT

Special Solidarity Fund

reimbursement of medicines
versus
reimbursements of acts/diagnostic tests

→ Challenge:

- ▣ 2 different technologies/processes/expertise
- ▣ 2 different commissions/timelines/budgets/... (TMC vs. CRM)
- ▣ quick technological & scientific evolution
- ▣ GCP

health care reimbursement procedures should allow a simultaneous reimbursement for treatment and test

From July 2019: medicine simultaneously reimbursed with predictive test + follow-up by register