

***Information for Pharmacists***

***UPDATED - Claims Submission Procedure:  
Pharmaceutical Distribution Rate Changes  
Non-Insured Benefits Branch  
Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living***

***Effective May 31, 2019***

**Please include this Procedure in your Drug Programs Information Network (DPIN) Manual under Section 4: Claims Submission.**

- “Wholesale Upcharge” or “Pharmaceutical Distribution Rate” means any supplemental cost added by wholesale distributors to the published list price for a product to account for wholesale distribution, storage, and handling costs of pharmaceutical products.
- Effective May 31, 2019, the Pharmaceutical Distribution Rate will be as follows:

Product Description	Current	Effective May 31, 2019
All Generic Products	0 percent – this amount was paid by the manufacturer	5 percent
All Brand Products	5 percent	5 percent (no change)
List of Designated High-Cost Drugs for Reduced Pharmaceutical Distribution	2 percent	2 percent (no change)

- Drugs on the “*List of Designated High-Cost Drugs for Reduced Pharmaceutical Distribution*” include:
  - any drug with projected costs exceeding fifty thousand dollars over a 12-month period at average dosing and
  - all oral Hepatitis C medications
- Drugs designated as high-cost drugs for reduced pharmaceutical distribution are published on the *List of Designated High-Cost Drugs for Reduced Pharmaceutical Distribution*. This list will be updated (if applicable) with the issuance of each future drug Bulletin and can be found at: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/mbdif/index.html>

If your questions are not answered by reviewing the Claims Submission Procedures and FAQs posted at: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/pharmacare/healthprofessionals.html>  
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