



340B Program at UnityPoint Health®

Preserve Access to Low-Cost Medications for Vulnerable Patients

The **340B Drug Pricing Program** serves patients in Iowa, Illinois and Wisconsin.

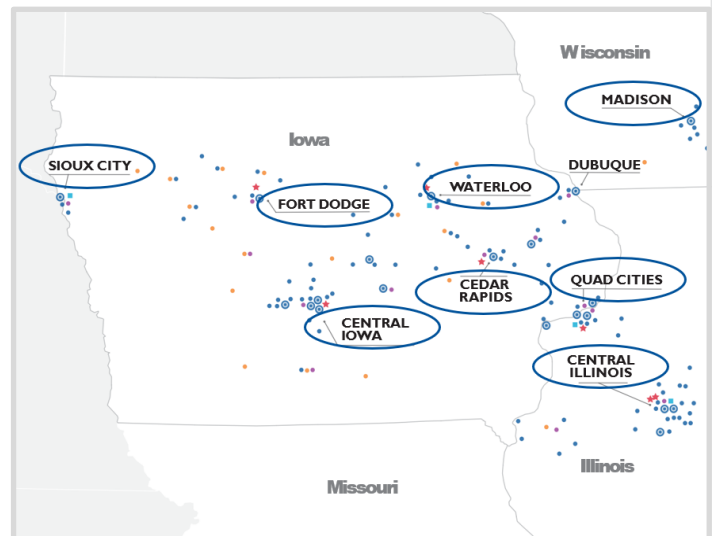


As one of the largest non-profit, nondenominational health systems in the country, the UnityPoint Health network of Disproportionate Share Hospitals, Sole Community Hospitals, Critical Access Hospitals and Rural Health Clinics provide vital access to health care services. The **340B Drug Pricing Program** has served as a critical federal resource for our safety-net providers and the patients we serve in Iowa, Illinois and Wisconsin.

UnityPoint Health **SUPPORTS** efforts to ensure safety net hospitals and their patients benefit from the 340B program. This includes urging **HHS action on drug manufacturers** unlawfully restricting access to 340B- priced medications at contract pharmacies, maintaining the program as a **discount model**, **freezing DSH eligibility** during the pandemic, and **reversing Medicare Part B reimbursement cuts**.

12 Participating UnityPoint Health Hospitals

- Allen Hospital – *Waterloo, IA*
- Marshalltown Hospital – *Marshalltown, IA*
- Iowa Methodist Medical Center – *Des Moines, IA*
- Jones Regional Medical Center – *Anamosa, IA*
- Meriter Hospital – *Madison, WI*
- Methodist Hospital – *Peoria, IL*
- St. Luke’s Hospital – *Cedar Rapids, IA*
- St Luke’s Regional Medical Center – *Sioux City, IA*
- Trinity Medical Center – *Bettendorf, IA*
- Trinity Medical Center – *Muscatine, IA*
- Trinity Medical Center – *Rock Island, IL*
- Trinity Regional Medical Center – *Fort Dodge, IA*



Top Photo: Trinity Regional Medical Center, Fort Dodge, IA.
Right Photo: St. Luke’s Medical Center, Sioux City, IA.



“If the program goes away altogether, I would have to quit getting my medications because I couldn’t afford it.

- Andrew Kozowski, diabetic patient impacted by manufacturer actions against contracted pharmacies

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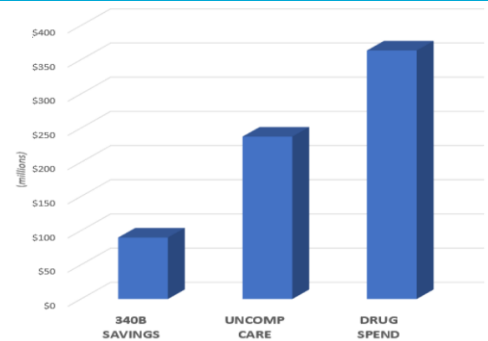


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Financial Impact

In 2019, the 340B Drug Discount Program resulted in significant savings for the people and communities served by UnityPoint Health:

- \$90 million in 340B program savings at UnityPoint Health
- \$237.6 million in total Uncompensated Care
- \$363.6 million in total Drug Spend without 340B program discounts



Community Impact: Contract Pharmacies

Contracted pharmacies provide vital access points for patients to receive affordable medications. Some drug manufacturers have unilaterally usurped 340B program requirements and have stopped providing discounted pricing to contract pharmacies. Patients suffer.

PEORIA, ILLINOIS

At the UnityPoint Health-Endocrinology, Diabetes, and Metabolism clinic, **836 insulin-resistant patients have been forced to switch the quality and type of insulin.** Despite being on preferred medication regimes with positive results, patients are now forced to use insulin associated with obesity and glycemic control issues, reduced length of life, and significant out-of-pocket costs. Many of these patients are on fixed incomes and on Medicare or uninsured. *“This directly decreases both the length and quality of life for individuals with diabetes,”* stated Anne Webster, FNP-C.

ANAMOSA, IOWA

As a Critical Access Hospital, UnityPoint Health-Jones Regional Medical Center uses contract pharmacies in rural communities to enable patient access to affordable medications and support many patient programs. **Recent action by manufacturers reduced over 50% (\$1.5 million) of 340B savings and directly affects community pharmacies in Anamosa, Monticello, Belle Plaine, and Vinton,** and the people filling prescriptions there. Multiple patient programs, such as diabetes education and Parkinson’s support group, will be diminished or cut without this program.



FORT DODGE, IOWA

As a regional rural referral center, UnityPoint Health – Fort Dodge uses contract pharmacies to overcome distance barriers to enable patient access to affordable medications. **Recent action by manufacturers impacts 40% (\$2 million) of 340B savings and directly affects community pharmacies in Fort Dodge, Manson, Humboldt, Lake View, Sac City, Storm Lake, Carrol, and Spencer and their patients.**

Maintaining Compliance with 340B Program Requirements

HRSA Audit Results



UnityPoint Health takes its commitment to compliance seriously. During the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, four of our 12 participating UnityPoint Health hospitals were subject to four Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) audits. Three audits resulted in no findings, and one audit found a single misclassified claim of less than \$90, which has been reimbursed to the manufacturer.

