# Market Distortions from the 340B Drug Pricing Program

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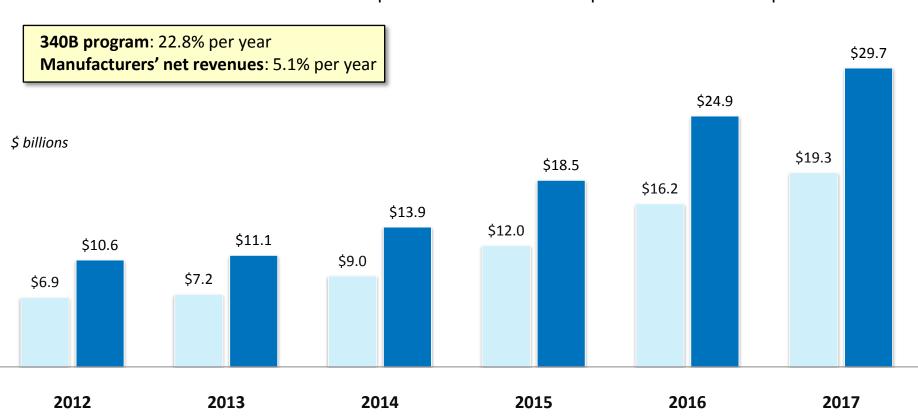
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## 340B Program Growing at Double-Digit Rates

#### TOTAL PURCHASES MADE UNDER THE 340B DRUG PRICING PROGRAM

Purchases at discounted 340B prices
Estimated purchases at invoice prices

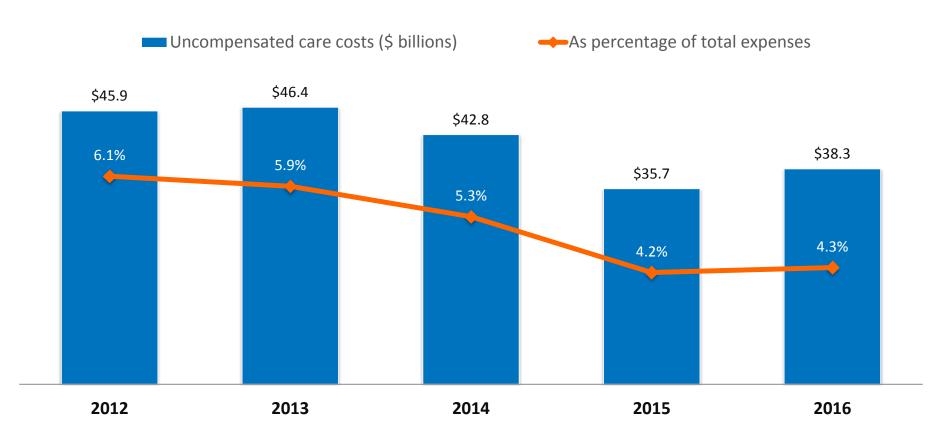


Source: Drug Channels Institute analysis of data from Health Resources and Services Administration and IQVIA. Dollar figures in billions. Excludes sales made directly to healthcare institutions by manufacturers. Data for purchases at discounted prices show value of purchases at or below the discounted 340B ceiling prices. Data at invoice prices reflect DCI estimates. Growth rates show compound average growth rate.



## Hospitals' Charity Care Costs Have Dropped

#### U.S. HOSPITALS, UNCOMPENSATED CARE COSTS, TOTAL VALUE AND SHARE OF EXPENSES, 2012 TO 2016



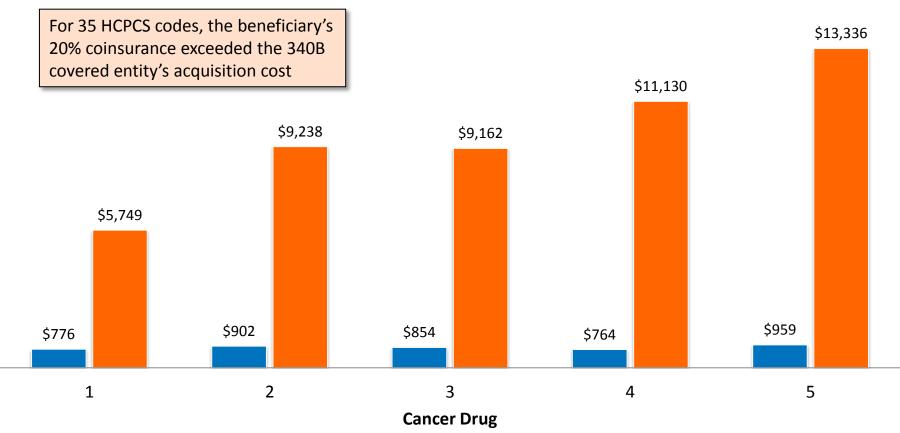
Source: Drug Channels Institute analysis of American Hospital Association (AHA) data



## GAO: 340B Covered Entities Earn High Oncology Profits in Medicare Program

ONCOLOGY DRUG PROFITS IN MEDICARE, 340B-COVERED ENTITIES VS. NONCOVERED ENTITIES, 2013



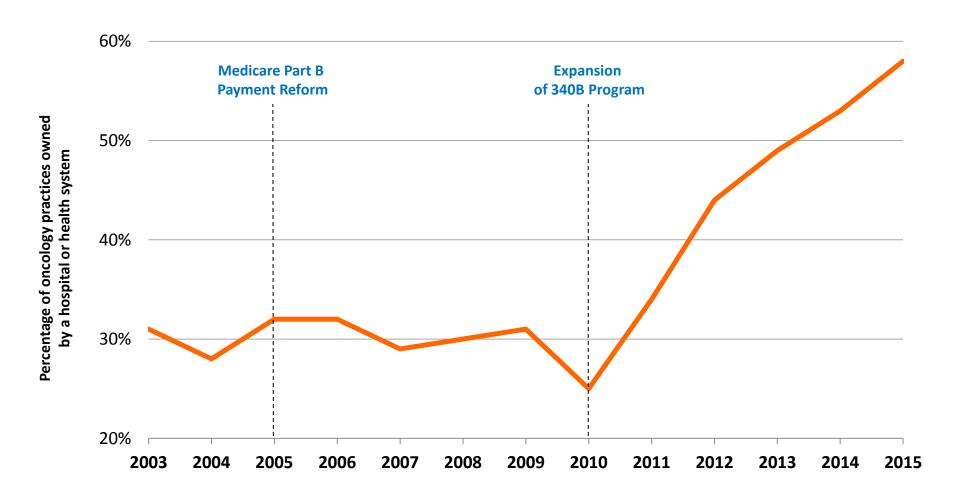


Sources Pembroke Consulting analysis of *Part B Payments For 340B-Purchased Drugs,* OIG, November 2015. See New OIG Report Shows Hospitals' Huge 340B Profits from Medicare-Paid Cancer Drugs, *Drug Channels*, December 2015



**Gross Profit per Beneficiary** 

## Vertical Integration of Cancer Care

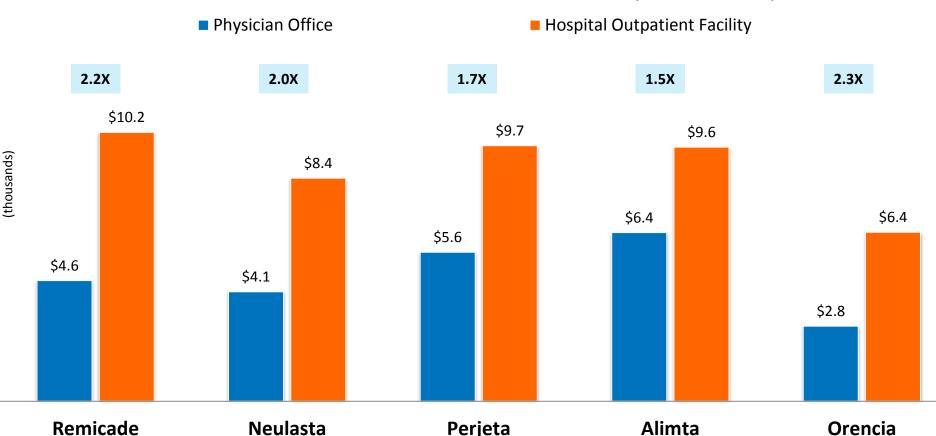


Source: Pembroke Consulting analysis of Evaluating The Role Of Payment Policy In Driving Vertical Integration In The Oncology Market, Health Affairs, April 2017



## For commercial payers, hospitals charge much more for provider-administered drugs than do physician offices

MEDICAL BENEFIT SPENDING PER UNIT FOR OUTPATIENT SPECIALTY DRUGS, BY SITE OF CARE, 2015



Totals may not sum due to rounding. Figures show cost per claim in thousands.

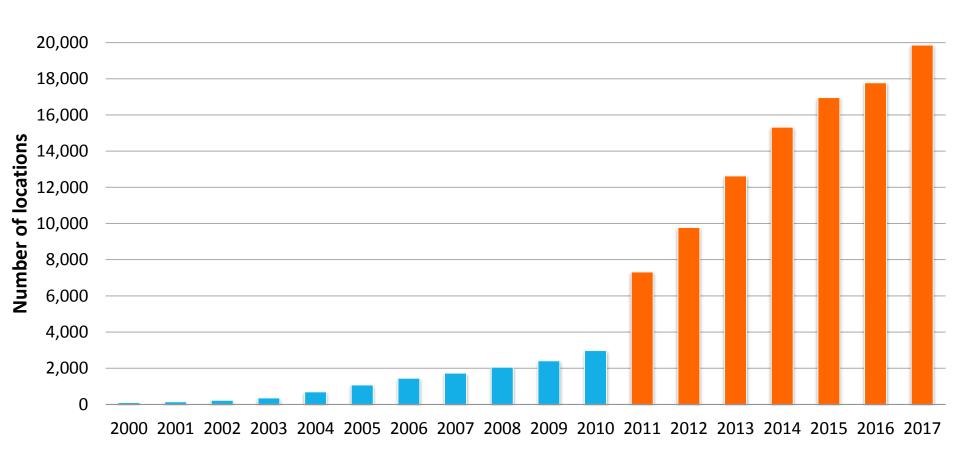
Source: Pembroke Consulting analysis of 2016 Medical Pharmacy Trend Report, Magellan Rx Management, 2017.

See Latest Data Show That Hospitals Are Still Specialty Drug Profiteers, Drug Channels, April 2017



### The 340B Contract Pharmacy Boom

#### 340B CONTRACT PHARMACY LOCATIONS, 2000-2017



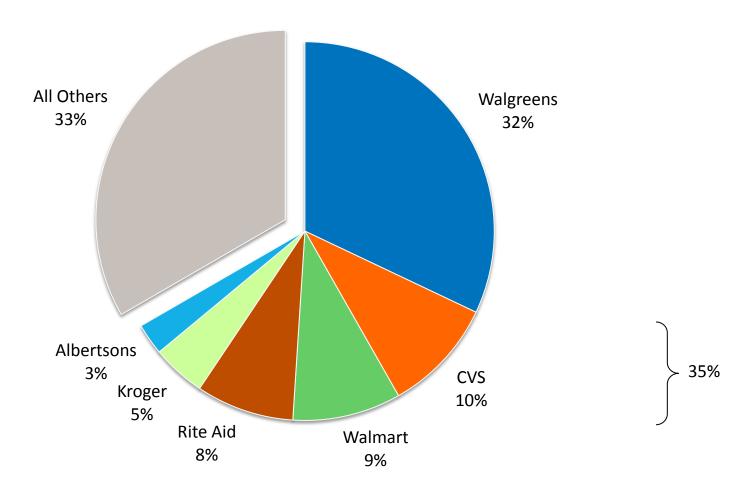
Data show number of unique contract pharmacy locations as of July of each year.

Sources: Avalere Health (2000-2012); Pembroke Consulting analysis of OPA Daily Contract Pharmacy Database (2013-2017) See The Booming 340B Contract Pharmacy Profits of Walgreens, CVS, Rite Aid, and Walmart, Drug Channels, July 2017



## Large Pharmacies Are Profiting from 340B Pricing

340B CONTRACT PHARMACY LOCATIONS, BY CHAIN, 2017 n = 19,868 pharmacy locations

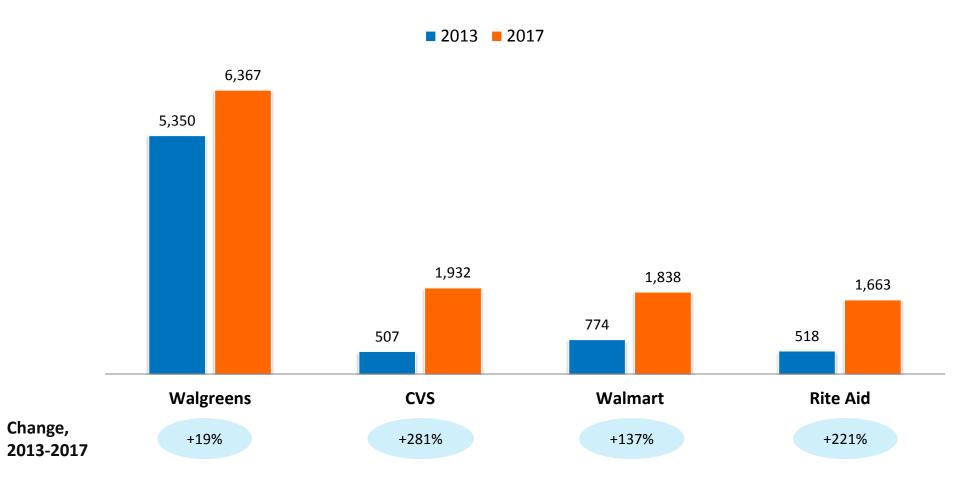


Source: Pembroke Consulting analysis of OPA Daily Contract Pharmacy Database (7/1/17). Company totals are computed from combined banners (store names) in the database. See The Booming 340B Contract Pharmacy Profits of Walgreens, CVS, Rite Aid, and Walmart, Drug Channels, July 2017



## Retail Chains Expanding in 340B

CONTRACT PHARMACY LOCATIONS, BY CHAIN, 2013 VS. 2017



Source: Drug Channels Institute analysis of OPA Daily Contract Pharmacy Database (6/23/13; 7/1/17). Company totals are computed from combined banners (store names) in the database.



## 340B Contract Pharmacy Economics: Specialty Prescription

No.	Item	Amount	Computation
	Published List Prices		
[1]	Wholesale Acquisition Cost (WAC)	\$5,000.00	Set by manufacturer
[2]	Average Wholesale Price (AWP)	\$6,000.00	[1] * 1.20
	Pharmacy Revenue		
[3]	Ingredient Cost Reimbursement	\$4,920.00	[2] * 82% (= AWP-18%)
[4]	Average Dispensing Fee	<u>\$1.00</u>	Payer survey data
[5]	<b>Total Pharmacy Revenue</b>	\$4,921.00	[3] + [4]
	340B Entity Cost of Goods		_
[6]	Acquisition Cost to 340B Entity	\$0.01	Product with penny price
[7]	Fee to Split-Billing Vendor	\$10.00	Negotiated rate
[8]	Fee to Contract Pharmacy	\$803.00	[3] * 15% + \$65
[9]	Total Expense to 340B Entity	\$813.01	[6] + [7] + [8]
	340B Entity Profit		
[10]	<b>Gross Profit per Prescription</b>	\$4,107.99	[5] - [9]
[11]	<b>Gross Margin per Prescription</b>	83.5%	[7] / [5]

Source: Drug Channels Institute research and estimates.



## **Examples of 340B Contract Pharmacy Mega-Networks**

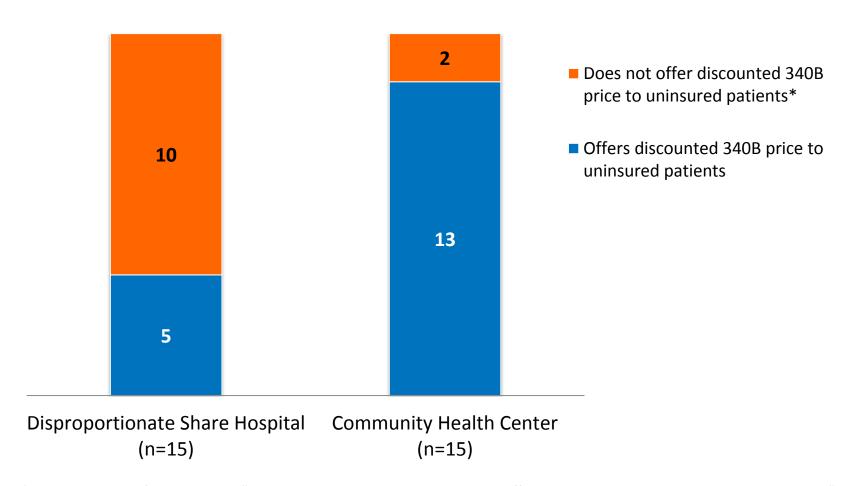
TOP TEN DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE HOSPITALS WITH THE LARGEST 340B CONTRACT PHARMACY NETWORKS, JULY 2017

	Number of Contract Pharmacy Relationships											
	<b>Express</b>											
Entity	Walgreens	CVS	Rite Aid	Walmart	Kroger	Albertsons	Scripts	OptumRx	Other	Total		
Henry Ford Hospital	91	171	20	8	50	0	11	6	79	436		
Loyola University Medical Center	232	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	263		
UCSF-Medical Center	113	25	9	0	0	63	8	0	18	236		
Vanderbilt University Medical Center	97	33	0	39	33	0	7	0	19	228		
The University Of Chicago Medical Center	206	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	216		
Metrohealth Medical Center	66	25	12	16	0	0	6	0	70	195		
University Of Miami Hospital	95	21	0	10	0	0	5	0	52	183		
Froedtert Memorial Lutheran Hospital	122	18	0	0	12	0	11	5	13	181		
University Of California Davis Medical Center	50	33	36	9	1	18	6	0	12	165		
Rush University Medical Center	149	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	164		
Top Ten Total	1,221	371	77	82	96	81	54	11	274	2,267		

Source: Drug Channels Institute analysis of OPA Daily Contract Pharmacy Database (7/1/17). See 10 Hospitals With 340B Contract Pharmacy Mega-Networks, Drug Channels, July 2017



## OIG: Hospitals do not always offer discounted 340B prices to uninsured patients at contract pharmacies

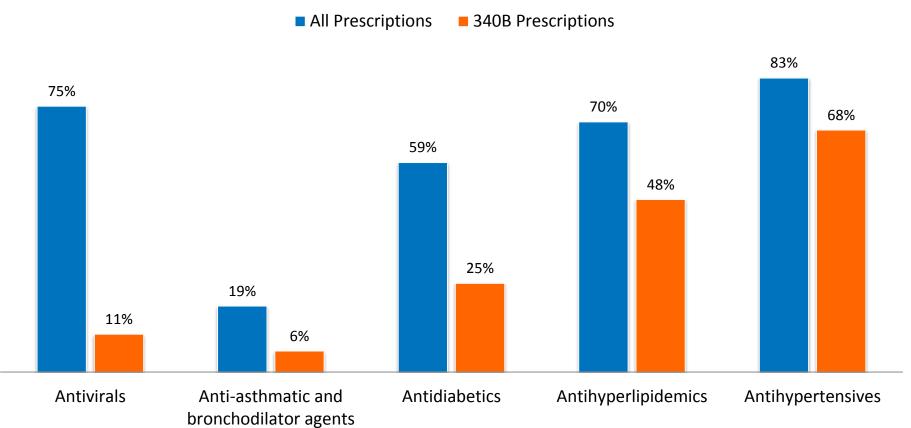


<sup>\*</sup> Includes 4 entities for which it was "unclear whether their contract pharmacies offer the discounted 340B price to uninsured patients." Source: Pembroke Consulting analysis of *Contract Pharmacy Arrangements in the 340B Program*, Office of Inspector General, February 2014. See New OIG Report Confirms Our Worst Fears About 340B Contract Pharmacy Abuses, Drug Channels, February 2014.



## 340B Reduces Retail Generic Dispensing Rates





Source: Pembroke Consulting analysis of data in <u>The 340B Discount Program: Outpatient Prescription Dispensing Patterns Through Contract</u> Pharmacies In 2012. *Health Affairs*, 2014

See New Walgreens Data Verifies That 340B Reduces Retail Generic Dispensing Rates, Drug Channels, November 2014.



## How the 340B Program Contributes to Higher Drug Costs

- Encourages a shift in site of care from lower-cost physician offices to higher-cost hospital outpatient settings
- Raises out-of-pocket costs for uninsured patients
- Lowers the generic dispensing rate
- Reduces manufacturers' rebates to Medicare Part D and commercial payers
- Permits pharmacies and PBMs to profit from 340B discounts at the expense of needy and uninsured patients



### **General Resources**



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