



# PHARMACY

## UPDATE

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### DISPENSING FEE AND MARKUPS IN SASKATCHEWAN

Green Shield Canada (GSC) continuously reviews our pharmacy reimbursement structures to ensure they remain appropriate, fair, and relevant based on a number of factors, including the level of reimbursement from provincial government payors.

On March 1, 2021, the Drug Plan and Extended Benefits Branch (DPEBB) of the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health increased the maximum dispensing fee allowed from \$11.60 to \$11.85. In recognition of this provincial government change, GSC has also updated and increased our dispensing fee reimbursement level to \$11.85, effective March 1, 2021.

As a reminder, in addition to dispensing fees, GSC reimburses pharmacies by means of markups based on the cost of the medication. These markups are calculated using either the Saskatchewan formulary price (provincial price) or the manufacturer list price (MLP) multiplied by the quantity dispensed. The markups allowed are based on the following bands:

<b>Cost of medication (provincial price or MLP x quantity)</b>	<b>Markup allowed</b>
\$0.00 – \$6.30	30%
\$6.31 – \$15.80	15%
Over \$15.81	10%

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