Want to reduce prescription drug costs? Pay attention to the middlemen.

Just 3 PBMs
—Express Scripts, CVS Caremark, Optum—
CONTROL AS MUCH AS 77% of prescription drug benefit transactions in the U.S.¹

¹ https://www.drugchannels.net/2021/04/the-top-pharmacy-benefit-managers-pbms.html

"According to one estimate, PBMs fail to pass $120 billion back to consumers, and retain another $30 billion in additional out-of-pocket costs."

— "YOU CAN BLAME PHARMACY BENEFIT MANAGERS FOR HIGHER DRUG PRICES," REAL CLEAR HEALTH, MARCH 28, 2017
https://www.realclearhealth.com/articles/2017/03/28/you_can_blame_pharmacy_benefit_managers_for_higher_drug_prices_110516.html

A few prescriptions for what's ailing health care costs:

 Plan sponsors and policy makers must demand transparency from PBMs. It is in their interest to do so.

Help ensure PBM accountability by supporting the following legislation:

- H.R. 3554/S. 1909, the “Pharmacy DIR Reform to Reduce Senior Drug Costs Act.”
- Enact legislation to prohibit spread pricing in Medicaid Managed Care programs.
- H.R. 2608, the “Ensuring Seniors Access to Local Pharmacies Act.”
- Enact legislation in the states to reform PBMs, such as the model legislation adopted by the National Conference of Insurance Legislators.

Change the model: Plan sponsors should insist on a flat fee system that eliminates hidden asks.

Leverage the expertise of community pharmacists. We can help reduce prescription drug spend and improve patient health outcomes.

READ MORE AT WWW.NCPANET.ORG/ADVOCACY