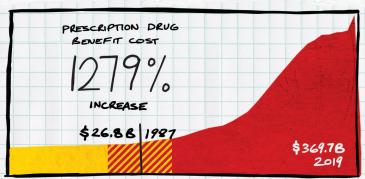
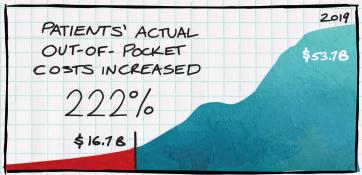
Want to reduce prescription drug costs?

PAY ATTENTION TO THE MIDDLEMEN.





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Source: CMS National Health Expenditures by type of service 1960-2018. https://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Statistics-Trends-and-Reports/NationalHealthExpendData/NationalHealthAccountsHistorical.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

Just 3 PBMs

-Express Scripts, CVS Caremark, Optum-

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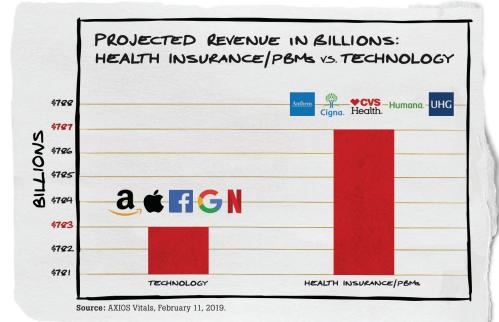
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of prescription drug benefit transactions in the U.S.¹

https://www.drugchannels.net/2022/04/the-top-pharmacy-benefit-managers-of.html?m=1



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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.

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