

# Prescription Drug Affordability Board

A Prescription Drug Affordability Board (PDAB) is an independent body with the authority to evaluate high-cost drugs and set Upper Payment Limits (UPLs) on what Illinoisans will pay. This is similar to existing state practices for utilities and insurance premiums. UPLs apply to the entire supply chain, ensuring lower costs benefit consumers.

## STRUCTURE

  
**Five Member Board**

**Evaluate High-Cost Drugs**

- New drugs: \$60,000+
- Brand name drugs with \$3,000+ increase
- Any drugs that pose affordability challenges

**Affects Entire Supply Chain**

- Manufacturers
- Wholesalers & PBMs
- Insurers & Pharmacies

**Upper Payment Limits**

- Set fair, affordable prices
- Consider barriers to access
- Apply to all purchasers and payer reimbursements

  
**Stakeholder Council**

  
**Full-Time Staff**

## Impact on Illinoisans

**28%**

of Illinoisans either have not filled prescriptions or rationed their medication due to cost

**54%**

of Illinoisans are worried about affording their prescription medication\*

**86%**

of Illinoisans are supportive of establishing a PDAB\*

**1/3**

of premium costs are due to high-cost prescription drugs

\*2020 Healthcare Value Hub Poll

**Drugs don't work if people can't afford them.**

# Colorado PDAB Reviewed Drugs

Colorado is the state farthest along in the PDAB implementation process and has selected its first four drugs to undergo a cost review.

Reviewed Drug	Condition Treated	Patient Count	5-Year WAC Change	Patient OOP Cost	Total Paid in 2021
Enbrel*	Rheumatoid Arthritis	1,707	36.24%	\$2,812	\$72,504,276
Genvoya	HIV	940	28.84%	\$1,293	\$27,344,595
Cosentyx	Psoriatic Arthritis/Plaque Psoriasis	456	46.94%	\$2,168	\$17,954,496
Stelara*	Psoriatic Arthritis/Crohn's Disease/Ulcerative Colitis	414	23.87%	\$1,399	\$45,794,896

\*Enbrel and Stelara are also on Medicare's list of the first 10 drugs to be negotiated. Our model would allow for Upper Payment Limits to be tied directly to the federally negotiated drug prices.

## How PDAB Complements Medicare Drug Price Negotiations

Our PDAB model includes a component that leverages federal Medicare negotiations by adopting Maximum Fair Prices (MFPs) set by Medicare as upper payment limits (UPLs). This extends the benefits of drug price negotiations to the 62% of Illinoisans not on Medicare, expanding as Medicare negotiates more drug prices in future years.

### Proponents

The image displays a collection of logos for various organizations that are proponents of the PDAB model. The logos include:

- UNITED STEELWORKERS SOAR STEELWORKERS ORGANIZATION OF ACTIVE RETIREES
- NAMI Illinois National Alliance on Mental Illness
- ALS ASSOCIATION
- Planned Parenthood Act. No matter what. Planned Parenthood Illinois Action PAC
- Shriver Center on Poverty Law
- AFC AIDS FOUNDATION CHICAGO
- SCIL
- AFSCME RETIREES ILLINOIS Chapter 31
- INCIL Illinois Network of Centers for Independent Living
- AARP Illinois
- AIM-CIL
- Mommies Rising.org - MamasConPopee.org
- SWIDW Southwestern Illinois Democratic Women
- MS National Multiple Sclerosis Society
- CHICAGO COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS
- YOUNG YI INVINCIBLES
- PROTECT OUR CARE IL
- NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR WOMEN WILL COUNTY CHAPTER
- Illinois NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR WOMEN
- IDW Illinois Democratic Women
- CCPA PHYSICIANS
- Disability Resource Center