



# Montana Healthcare Programs Provider Notice

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## Pharmacy Providers

### 2026 Average Acquisition Cost (AAC) Survey

In accordance with Administrative Rules of Montana ([ARM](#) 37.86.1106 (b)), the Department requests that surveyed pharmacies enrolled in Montana Healthcare Programs Outpatient Prescription Drug Program to participate in a survey of acquisition cost data for prescription and non-prescription medications dispensed to Montana Healthcare Program members.

This survey will be used to update AAC rates for outpatient drugs. Pharmacy participation is essential. It is pharmacies' best opportunity to ensure the AAC Program is fair and equitable to their business.

The 2026 survey will be open for participation between May 1, 2026, through May 31, 2026.

For this survey, pharmacies need to provide all wholesaler, distributor, or manufacturer invoices for all brands; generics; and over the counter (OTC) drug purchases for the entire month of April 2026. **This survey must be either mailed or sent electronically to:**

Method	Information
Email	To: <a href="mailto:Pharmacy@mslc.com">Pharmacy@mslc.com</a> Subject: Montana Pharmacy Survey
Fax	(317) 566-3203 Attn: Montana Pharmacy Survey
Mail	Myers and Stauffer LC Attn: Montana Pharmacy Survey 800 East 96th Street, Suite 200 Indianapolis, IN 46240-6419

The records being requested are to be limited to **drug ingredient costs only**. All costs that are not drug ingredient costs, such as those for shipping, storage, warehousing, or other administrative costs are not to be included. If the pharmacy has both 340B and non-340B inventory, please ensure only non-340B invoices are submitted. Copies or electronic files of records are preferred, as information submitted will not be returned.

Information can be submitted in printed or electronic format and should include the following:

- 1) National Drug Code (NDC)
- 2) Purchase price of drug (drug ingredient cost only)
- 3) Quantity purchased
- 4) Purchase date for each product
- 5) Item number-to-NDC crosswalk, if item numbers or other proprietary nomenclature are used on your invoices
- 6) Invoice/purchase record source (e.g., wholesaler/manufacturer name)

In most cases, pharmacy wholesalers will be able to compile this information and may provide the files directly to the Myers and Stauffer LLC address above. Please contact the Myers and Stauffer provider help desk (800) 591-1183 should you have any questions.

## Contact and Website Information

If you have questions, please contact:

- Pharmacy Program Officer, (406) 444-2738, email [joshua.surginer@mt.gov](mailto:joshua.surginer@mt.gov)
- Pharmacy Section Supervisor, (406) 444-2768, email [dfeist@mt.gov](mailto:dfeist@mt.gov)

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