How CHCs Earn & Use 340B Savings

Maine Primary Care Association

A drug's regular price is $100

Under 340B, the CHC buys the drug at the discounted price of $70, and has it shipped to either:

CHC-Owned Pharmacy

Pharmacy sells drug to CHC's insured patient.

Insurance company pays the CHC $100

CHC keeps $30 in savings ($100 minus $70)

Once the CHC sells the drug to two insured patients, it has $60 in savings

Contract Pharmacy

Pharmacy sells drug to CHC's uninsured patient

Patient qualifies for a sliding-fee discount, pays $20.

CHC is short $50 ($70 to purchase the drug, minus $20 paid by patient.)

These savings cover the $50 cost to make the drug affordable to the uninsured patient and leave $10 for the CHC to reinvest in other care services.