

April 1, 2013 Georgia Workers' Compensation Medical Fee Schedule

Section IV: General Reimbursement Requirements

Pharmaceuticals

All prescription drugs must be dispensed using an Orange Book therapeutic equivalent drug(s) (GENERIC) when available unless designated in the doctor's own handwriting on the face of the prescription, in accordance with O.C.G.A. §26-4-81, that "Brand Medically Necessary" or "Brand Necessary" is required.

Prescription drugs will be reimbursed at the current average wholesale price (AWP) as published by Medi-Span, plus one dispensing fee per National Drug Code (NDC) per day of \$6.27 for generic medications and \$4.19 for brand name medications. All bills submitted for reimbursement must include the NDC of the product provided unless the product provided is a repackaged unit-of-use product. All pharmaceutical bills submitted for repackaged products must include the NDC of the original manufacturer or distributor's stock package used in the repackaging process. The reimbursement allowed shall be based on the current published manufacturer's AWP (in the Medi-Span Directory) price of the product as of the date of dispensing.

When the authorized treating physician prescribes pharmaceuticals, the prescription will indicate by stamp or other means that it is for a workers' compensation claim.

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