



WHAT IS OREGON PDAB?

The Oregon Prescription Drug Affordability Board (PDAB) was created by the Oregon Legislature to protect Oregonians and the Oregon health care system from the high costs of prescription drugs. The board holds monthly online meetings that are open to the public.

Mission

The board's mission is to protect Oregonians from the financial burden of high-cost medications.

Composition

The board has eight members appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Senate, with backgrounds in clinical medicine or health care economics.

Board review of prescription drugs

Each year, the board shall identify up to nine prescription drugs and may identify at least one insulin product it determines may create affordability challenges for health care systems or high out-of-pocket costs for patients.

The PDAB drug review process includes selecting a subset list of drugs and insulin products and analyzing data reported by state health plans and the All Payer All Claims (APAC) database. The board also gathers voluntary information from manufacturers, medical experts, clinics, patients, caregivers, and other contributors. The board then presents its findings and policy recommendations to the Oregon Legislature.

Community outreach

The board seeks public input to inform its decision-making in these ways:

1. Sharing online feedback forms about the drugs under review with clinics, medical professionals, patients, manufacturers, and other Oregonians.
2. Hosting in-person and online community forums and inviting people to share their stories about the impact of high drug costs on their lives and budgets.
3. Inviting people or groups to write letters or speak during board meetings.

The board uses all of this public input in its drug affordability reviews.

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