

Pharmaceutical pricing and reimbursement information

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Basic facts about VŠZP I.

(General Health Insurance Company)

- The biggest health insurance company in Slovakia
- Controls 59 % of Slovak health insurance market
- Payments for drugs reached 36% of the overall company costs in 2006



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Basic facts about VŠZP II.

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Medicaments average costs:

- 1 283 Sk per one patient / in 1995
- 5 178 Sk per one patient / in 2006



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Health care legislation

- Act No 140/1998 (medicines and medical devices)
- Act No 577 - 581/2004 (basic collection law about the health care system)



Pharmaceutical pricing and reimbursement

- Pharmaceutical pricing is under the competence of Ministry of Health
- The scope of reimbursement is determined by the categorization committee



Monitoring pharmaceutical costs

- Drugs costs as a part of the total health care costs
- Costs of one category of drugs comparing to other drugs categories
- Average costs of drugs for one patient per one year



Tools I.

- Special contracts with health care providers
- Protocols of the therapy effectivity
- Pharmacotherapeutic procedures



Tools II.

- Guidelines and check of registered drug indications
- Audit activities in review medicine
- Monitoring of the priority diseases financial impacts



Tools III.

- Preparing a pharmaco-economical studies
- Physicians education in the area of the rational prescription
- Inhabitants education about the health lifestyle and the importance of the preventive exams



**Thank you
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