



Policy Position: 340B Drug Discount Program

Position Statement

The Coalition of State Rheumatology Organizations (CSRO) is comprised of nearly every active state rheumatology society in the nation, representing over 40 states, with a mission of advocating for excellence in the field of rheumatology, ensuring access to the highest quality of care for the management of rheumatologic and musculoskeletal disease.

CSRO supports 340B drug discount program policies that ensure access to prescribed medications for vulnerable, underserved, low-income and uninsured patients.

Policy Principles

- 1 Support safety-net providers participating in the 340B program who provide care to low-income and uninsured patients in underserved communities
- 2 Clarify the definition of “patient” to ensure that underserved, low-income and uninsured patients receive discounted medications, as the program intended
- 3 Require that low-income and uninsured eligible patients receive 340B drug discounts intended for them through their providing 340B covered entity and associated contract pharmacy
- 4 Improve oversight, transparency, accountability and reporting for 340B covered entities to promote trust and accountability within the 340B program
- 5 Implement standards for 340B child sites that minimize large healthcare system consolidation that threatens independent rheumatology practices