

12052 COMPETITIVE PROBLEMS IN THE DRUG INDUSTRY

PART IV

Drugs Restricted by Price Ceilings

Price ceilings have been established for the following drugs by the State Department of Social Welfare. Listed with the drugs in this section are specific maximum allowable wholesale costs. The pharmacist shall apply these costs or his actual cost, whichever is lower, in calculating the prescription price according to the California Public Assistance Prescription Fee Schedule. The price to the department shall never exceed the pharmacist's regular retail price.

The pharmacist shall dispense the lowest cost item he has in stock which meets the requirements of the prescriber as shown on the prescription form. This applies to all parts of the formulary.

Restricted drugs with maximum allowable wholesale costs:

Cortisone Acetate tablets USP 25 mg.	\$ 8.00/100
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Demethylchlortetracycline

Capsules 150 mg.	26.01/100
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Penicillin tablets, USP Buffered (Penicillin G Potassium)

100,000 Units per tablet	1.80/100
200,000 Units per tablet	2.50/100
250,000 Units per tablet	3.00/100
400,000 Units per tablet	4.75/100

Penicillin V (Oral capsules or tablets) (Includes Penicillin V Potassium)

125 mg. per capsule or tablet	13.02/100
250 mg. per capsule or tablet	21.66/100

Prednisolone (Oral tablets)

1.0 mg. per tablet	1.75/100
2.5 mg. per tablet	2.80/100
5.0 mg. per tablet	4.00/100

Prednisone (Oral tablets)

1.0 mg. per tablet	1.75/100
2.5 mg. per tablet	2.80/100
5.0 mg. per tablet	4.00/100

Quinidine Sulfate (Oral Tablets)

0.2 Gm. per tablet	1.50/100
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