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Pharmaceutical Pricing and Reimbursement Information

# CROATIA

## Pharmaceutical pricing and reimbursement policies in the in- and out- patient sector



**Pricing policies for medicines included on the reimbursed lists – wholesale price + VAT 5%**

Pricing and reimbursement process are public on HZZO's web site: <http://www.hzzo.hr/zdravstveni-sustav-rh/trazilica-za-lijekove-s-vazecih-lista/>

Ministarstvo zdravlja  
Za zdravlje. Zajedno. = Ministry of Health

**STATUTARY P&R**

- Ordinance establishing the criteria for **wholesale pricing** of medicinal products and the method for reporting wholesale prices
- Ordinance establishing the criteria for inclusion of medicinal products in **the reimbursement lists** of CHIF (HZZO)



**PRICING**

**External price referencing**  
= annual price calculation (average price) for all medicinal products on lists

**New medicines for lists:**  
Pharmacoeconomic analysis, Budget impact analysis

- Original products: up to 100% of AP
- Me-too products:
  - up to 100% of AP
  - reimbursement price: up to 90% of the price of cheapest similar product on the list in Croatia
- Biosimilars:
  - up to 85% price of AP
  - every each and other: up to 90% of the cheapest biosimilar on the list
- Generic products:
  - first generic: up to 70% of the original product price
  - every each and other: up to 90% of the cheapest generic on the lists

**Internal price referencing**

- Clusters formed at ATC levels 3-5
- Comparisons in major part DDD based, clinical experience dose, dose in SCP
- Reference price=cheapest molecule with 5% of volume in last 3 months

**REIMBURSEMENT**

**Osnovna lista lijekova**  
2009. INN 704 packages 2070  
2015. INN 807 packages 3513

**A list – basic list**  
all drugs are covered by mandatory insurance

**B list – supplementary list**  
Drug price: part covered by mandatory insurance + part covered by co-payment

**Dopunska lista lijekova**  
2009. INN 155 packages 326  
2015. INN 302 packages 775

the OUT - PATIENT sector  
e-Prescriptions prescribing criteria are defined for certain indications

Medicines distributed via Wholesalers and Pharmacies

the IN - PATIENT sector  
Hospital Pharmacies

Statutory pricing  
Rp. – medicines on A list (basic list) - 100% covered by national reimbursement  
Rp. – medicines on B list (supplementary list) with patient co-payment  
+ service charge paid for dispensing

- No co-payment for patient in hospitals
- Statutory pricing + Price negotiations + Tendering (Volume + pay-back agreements, Pay per performance ...)
- Medicines are intergrated in the sums which can be generated for reimbursement of the procedure and diagnosis-orientated case groups (DRG)
  - except drugs which are paid separately:
    - List of particularly expensive drugs (new innovative / orphan drugs)
    - Committee in hospital – decision on use of these medicines