



NORWAY

Recent changes in pharmaceutical policy measures and developments in pharmaceutical expenditure

Major changes in pharmaceutical policy in 2012-2013

Pricing

Price cut of 40 % on simvastatin in the stepped price system. Annual saving for National Insurance Scheme of 8,8 mill. Euro.

Reimbursement

No major changes in the reimbursement system

Outlook

From 2013 a system for evaluation of costly new hospital medicines will be implemented. The NOMA will evaluate cost-effectiveness of hospital medicines on behalf of the hospitals. The decision to use the medicines will be made by the hospitals. The evaluation will be done by the same department that evaluates and decides which medicines to reimburse on the out-patient sector.

Price comparison on the generic segment in Denmark, Sweden and Norway was completed in 2012. The comparison showed that prices in Sweden and Denmark are lower than in Norway. We are currently reviewing the system.

Development of pharmaceutical expenditure 2007 - 2011

