

Pharmacy Benefit Managers: The Middlemen Getting In Between You & Your Medications

Pharmacy benefit managers – or **PBMs** – are companies that manage prescription drug benefits on behalf of insurers, Medicare Part D drug plans, large employers, and other payers.

Meet the middlemen impeding Patient access



Most PBMs are owned by for-profit insurance companies.

80%

The three largest PBMs control 80% of the prescription drug market.



PBMs operate with little to no transparency or oversight.

PBMs often fail to pass on savings they negotiate to consumers at the pharmacy counter, leading to higher out-of-pocket costs.

Higher out-of-pocket costs for medicines can lead to:



Less treatment adherence



More treatment abandonment



Worse health outcomes

Learn more about the role of PBMs and efforts to help you access the right medicine at the right time.

