### Navigating the Pharmaceutical Supply Chain: Ensuring Access to Prescription Medicines

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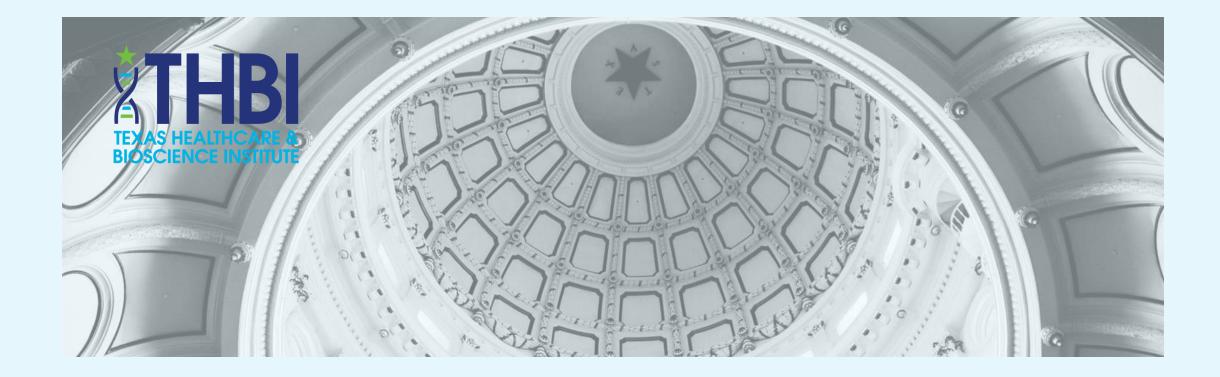
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### We are in a New Era of Medicine Where Breakthrough Science is Transforming Patient Care

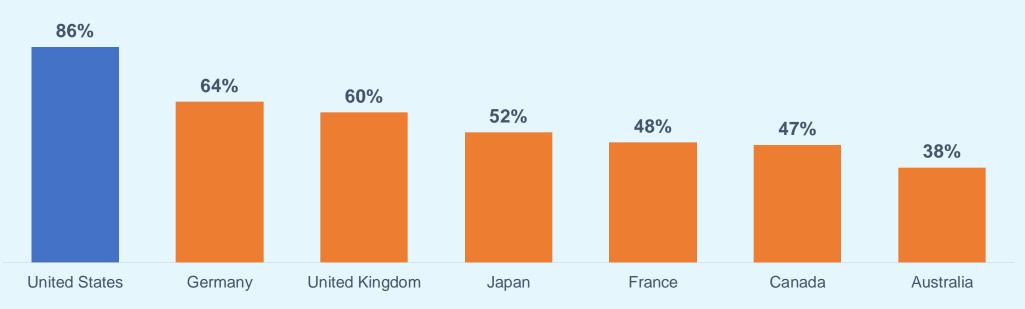
60 new medicines were approved by the FDA in 2021.





### More Medicines are Available to U.S. Patients as Compared with Other Countries that Set Prices Artificially Low

The 5-year survival rate for all cancers is 42% higher for men and 15% higher for women in the U.S. than in Europe.



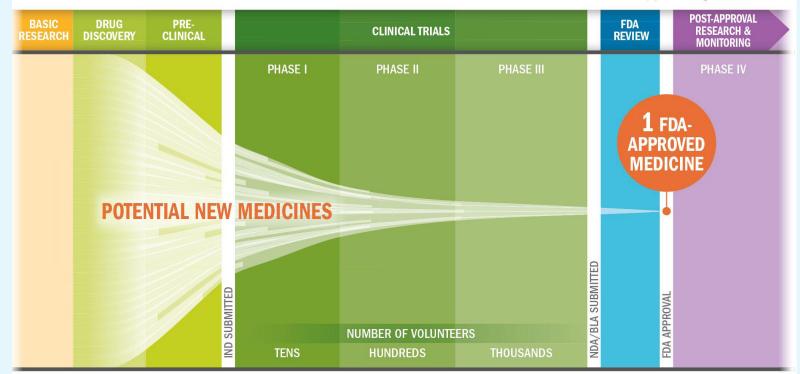
#### Number of New Medicines Available by Country, 2011-2020

Source: PhRMA analysis of IQVIA Analytics Link and U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), European Medicines Agency (EMA) and Japan's Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency (PMDA) data. April 2021. Note: New active substances approved by FDA, EMA and/or PMDA and first launched in any country between January 1, 2011, and December 31, 2020. Many launched medicines are subject to additional government coverage restrictions.



#### THE BIOPHARMACEUTICAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

From drug discovery through FDA approval, developing a new medicine takes at least 10 years on average and costs an average of \$2.6 billion.\* Less than 12% of the candidate medicines that make it into Phase I clinical trials will be approved by the FDA.

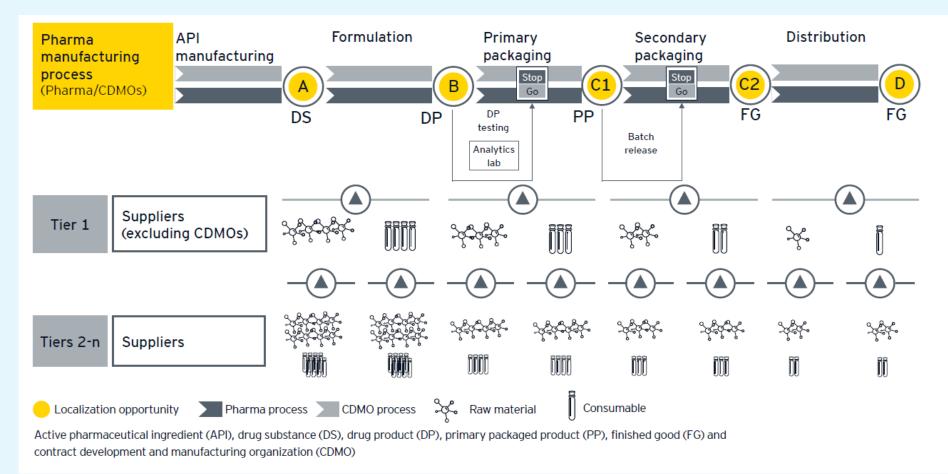


Key: IND: Investigational New Drug Application, NDA: New Drug Application, BLA: Biologics License Application

\* The average R&D cost required to bring a new, FDA-approved medicine to patients is estimated to be \$2.6 billion over the past decade (in 2013 dollars), including the cost of the many potential medicines that do not make it through to FDA approval.

Source: PhRMA adaptation based on Tufts Center for the Study of Drug Development (CSDD) Briefing: "Cost of Developing a New Drug," Nov. 2014. Tufts CSDD & School of Medicine and US FDA Infographic, "Drug Approval Process," http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/ResourcesForYou/Consumers/UCM284393.pdf (accessed Jan. 20, 2015).

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While the research and development (R&D) of a medicine is under way, a parallel process is undertaken to develop the manufacturing process and build manufacturing capacity - an often-overlooked part of a medicine's lifecycle.

As the R&D process progresses and researchers get closer to a potential successful treatment, companies must make the transition from manufacturing small exploratory batches of experimental medicines used in clinical trials to safely and efficiently manufacturing a medicine in mass quantities for the public, and they must develop the distribution system to get the medicine to patients.

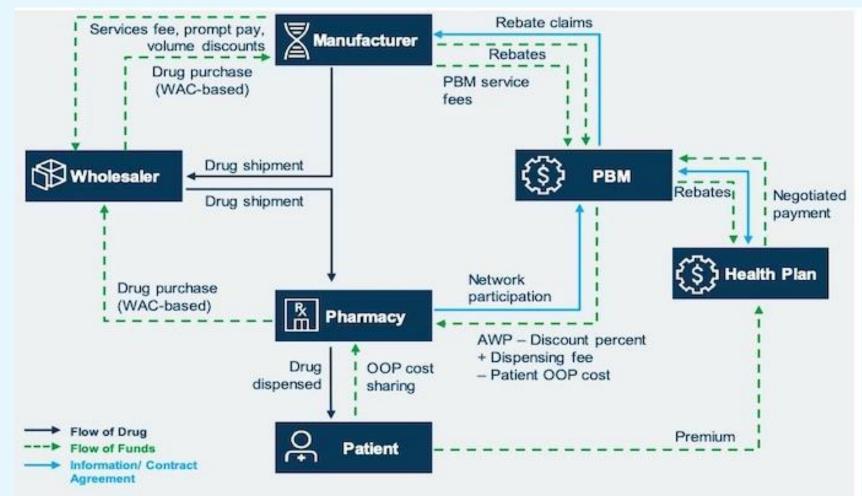
- Establishing a robust manufacturing supply chain;
- Building the capacity to manufacture sufficient quantities of a medicine for the patients that need it;
- Developing and implementing supply chain management plans focused on quality controls related to every aspect of manufacturing and efforts to ensure continuity in manufacturing; and
- Obtaining the appropriate regulatory approvals for any new facilities needed to manufacture the medicine.

#### **THB Protecting Public Health: Supply Chain Policy Interventions**

- In the US, recent policy trends have revealed a bipartisan focus on rebuilding domestic pharma manufacturing capabilities to address concerns over national security and public health and safety. Both the Trump and Biden administrations targeted accelerated vaccine and antiviral drug production and increased stockpiles (via, e.g., Operation Warp Speed and the Defense Production Act), including the use of rated orders to prioritize supply for vaccine development and manufacturing.
- A year-long review of the US' public health supply chains, published in February 2022, reaffirms the Biden administration's ongoing efforts to encourage domestic production and innovation, develop redundancies and ensure that diversification within drug supply chains will continue.
- We can therefore expect to see policymakers explore a broader range of interventions in the industry's operations including:
  - R&D credits and incentives are proactive measures deliberately designed to encourage the local development and manufacturing of pharma products.
  - Place restrictive conditions on pharma supply chains, either by constraining local competition (through limiting market access and investment or imposing export quotas) or by imposing certain conditions on local companies (via procurement mandates or government-incentivized supply chain diversification).



### Understanding the Flow from Drug Development to Patient





### Biopharmaceutical Trade Supports the Texas Economy and a Large, Diverse Workforce

#### **Economic Output**

\$76.5B



Total Value of Goods and Services Supported by the Biopharmaceutical Sector

### **68**

Facilities Involved in the Manufacturing of Medicines

**Biopharmaceutical Manufacturing Plants** 

#### **Tax Revenue Generated**



\$3.4B

**Total State and Federal Taxes Paid** 

#### Venture Capital Investment

\$3.6B 2000-2020 Total VC Investment

181 Startup Companies

#### **Average Worker Compensation**



\$133,090

Annually Per Employee in Direct Jobs in the Biopharmaceutical Sector VS.

\$65,841 Annually Per Employee Across All Texas Jobs



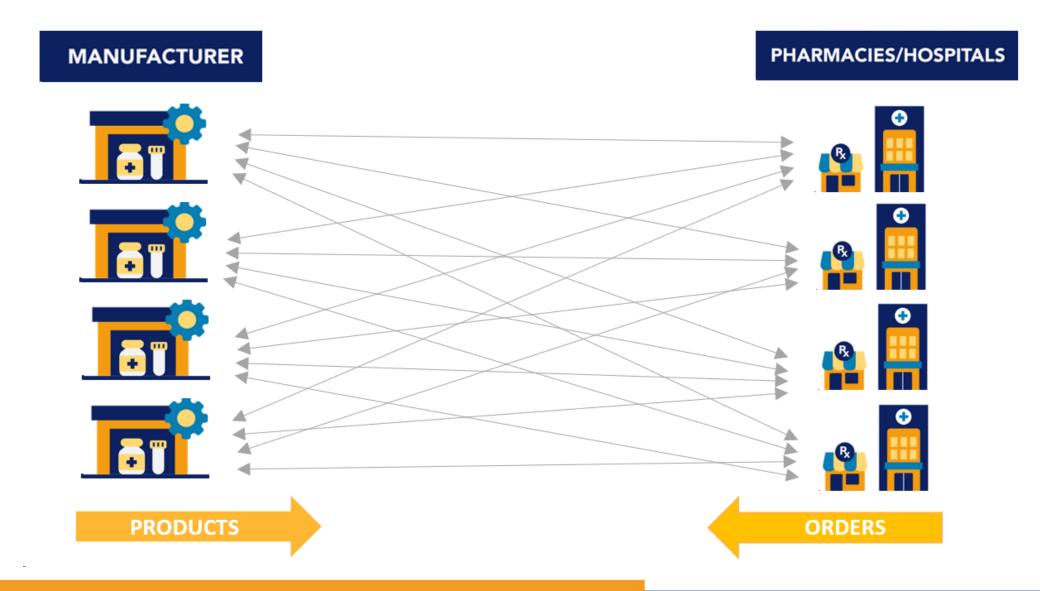
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# The Role of Wholesale Distributors

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### **Without Wholesale Distributors**



### **Role of Distributors**

### **Pharmaceutical Distributors:**

The backbone of the U.S. Healthcare ecosystem



#### Nearly 330,000 pharmacies and healthcare providers place orders for medicines with distributors.

Source: HDA Research Foundation, 93rd Edition HDA Factbook: The Facts, Figures and Trends in Healthcare (2022–2023), 2022.



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### **Wholesale Distributors Support Points of Care**

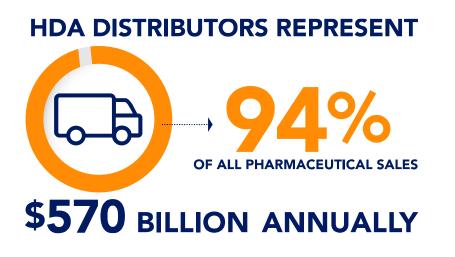
- Distributors supply products to roughly 330,000 pharmacies and other points-of-care across the nation.
- Pharmacies place orders with distributors for the medicines and products they need, and distributors process, pack and deliver the orders safely and reliably — as soon as the next day.
- On a typical business day, each traditional distribution center picked more than 105,000 SKUs and processed about 4,000 customer orders.
- HDA members fulfilled an estimated 94% of all U.S. pharmaceutical sales.
- Distributors provide many services that allow pharmacies and healthcare providers to focus on the health of their patients:
  - Inventory management;
  - Business and technology solutions;
  - Financial services; and,
  - Independent pharmacy support programs.



### **Delivering Savings and Efficiencies**

VALUE-ADDED SERVICES TO ENSURE THE SAFE AND TIMELY DELIVERY OF



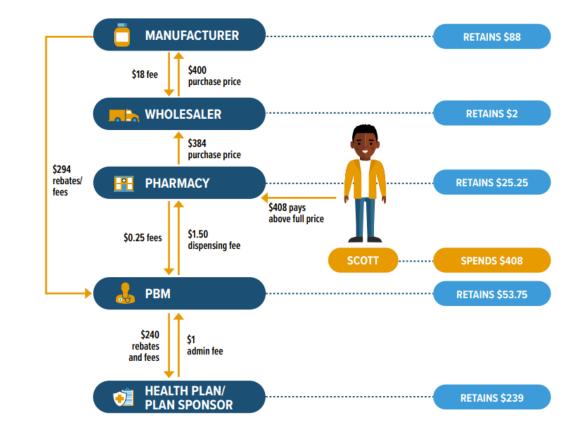


PROVIDE UP TO \$63 BILLION IN SAVINGS TO THE HEALTHCARE ECOSYSTEM ANNUALLY

### **Wholesale Distributors & Pricing**

#### Flow of Payment for a \$400 Insulin (Patient is in Deductible Phase)

- Pharmaceutical wholesale distributors primarily utilize a fee-for-service model.
- The pharmaceutical distribution model is a high value, high volume but very low margin industry. A recent analysis from Berkeley Research Group (BRG) shows the profit margin for a wholesaler is less than one percent of the cost of brand medicines.
- Findings consistent with reports and analyses by the USC, PhRMA, Wall Street Journal and Kaiser Health News.



\*This graphic is illustrative of a hypothetical product with a WAC of \$400 and an AWP of \$480. It is not intended to represent every financial relationship in the marketplace.

\*\*The amount of payments does not add up to \$400 due to markups and discounts as medicines are distributed.

### **State Legislative Issues**

#### Supply Chain Stability

- DSCSA Implementation
- Pricing and data collection measures
- Reproductive Health
- Taxes and Fees

#### Supporting Downstream Customers

- Pharmacy Services Administrative Organizations (PSAO)
- Controlled Substance
- White Bagging

#### Regulatory

- Licensure
- Scheduling
- Reporting
- Stockpiling



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# **Texas Pharmacy Overview**

- Texas Pharmacies (>8,000)
  - >3,000 Chain
  - >1,600 Independent
- Texas Pharmacists
  - 36,000 Licensed
- Pharmacists are the most accessible providers
  - 91% of Texans live within 5 miles of a pharmacy
- Pharmacists are highly educated
  - Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) degree can take 6 to 8 years to obtain
  - Many pharmacists complete a one- or two-year postgraduate residency program



### **Evolving Role of Pharmacists**



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### **Medication Expert**



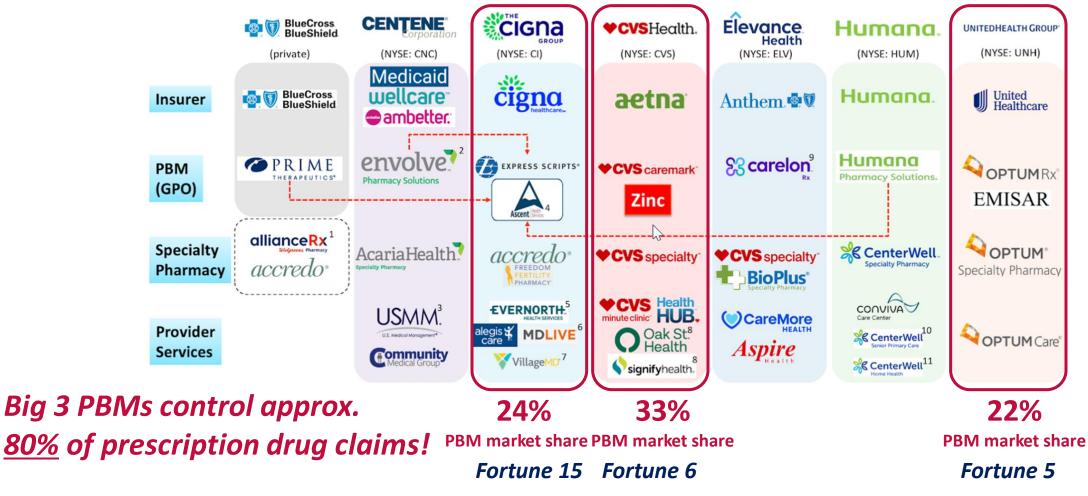
# **Texas Pharmacy Policy Issues**





# **Vertical Integration**

Vertical Business Relationships Among Insurers, PBMs, Specialty Pharmacies, and Providers, 2023



Source: Drug Channels, 5/10/23



**Texas Voters Agree** 

### **Patients Support Pharmacists' Roles Beyond Dispensing**



Source: NACDS Morning Consult Poll, December 2022



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