

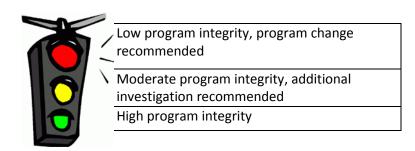
#### A Quick Self-Assessment for DSH Leaders

**Purpose:** 

The purpose of this quick assessment tool is to enable participating DSH leaders to determine a basic level of compliance for selected areas of their 340B pharmacy operations.

#### Instructions:

- 1. Read the question under the column "Does Your Entity...?"
- 2. Select the answer that best reflects the activities at your hospital.
- 3. Make notes for further investigation or program changes.
- 4. Use this general key to help understand the estimated level of program integrity for the answer you selected:



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Are you on the way to 340B program integrity?

This tool will help you find out!



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<ul> <li>Patient Definition</li> <li>Have a relationship with the individual and maintain records of the individual's health care?</li> <li>Provide health care services from a health care professional         <ul> <li>employed by entity</li> <li>under contractual or other arrangements (e.g. referral for consultation) with entity?</li> </ul> </li> <li>Maintain responsibility for the patient's health care services?</li> </ul>	Some patients receiving 340B drugs do not meet part or all of the patient definition.  Unsure; needs investigation.  All patients receiving 340B drugs meet all requirements of the patient definition.	
<ul> <li>Medicaid/Duplicate Discounts</li> <li>Take action to ensure that no duplicate discounts are generated?</li> <li>Bill Medicaid appropriately?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The entity's Medicaid Exclusion File information is not accurate and/or Medicaid billing is not appropriate.</li> <li>The entity's Medicaid Exclusion File information is accurate, but the entity does not know if Medicaid requests duplicate discounts on entity's claims and/or does not know if it bills Medicaid appropriately.</li> <li>Entity is certain there are no duplicate discounts associated with entity's claims. The entity has:         <ul> <li>Accurate Medicaid Exclusion File information;</li> <li>Verified it bills Medicaid appropriately; and</li> <li>An understanding of what triggers Medicaid to seek a rebate and verified a system is in place to ensure no duplicate discounts.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	



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Group Purchasing Organization, "Quick"			
What outpatient accounts do you have?	•	Entity does not have an outpatient GPO account, unless 4 criteria listed in GPO, Part	
How do you purchase drugs for ineligible		II below, are met.	
outpatients?	•	Entity does not use a GPO for ineligible outpatients, unless 4 criteria listed in GPO,	
		Part II below, are met.	
Group Purchasing Organization (GPO)			
Exclusion, Part I Use a GPO for covered outpatient drugs in		Yes: a GPO is used sometimes (i.e. for 340B	
any of the following circumstances?		ineligible outpatients).	
• In OPA-registered (or within entity's 4		Unsure; needs investigation.	
walls) participating clinics for 340B		No GPO is used in any of these situations.	
ineligible patients or when 340B is not		,	
available.			
Via a contract pharmacy.			
Group Purchasing Organization (GPO) Exclusion	n, Pa	rt II	
Use a GPO for covered outpatient drugs only		No, we use a GPO for covered outpatient drugs	s in
in certain off-site outpatient hospital facilities		facilities that do not meet all criteria.	
that meet all of the following criteria?			
1. Are located at a different physical address		We are unsure; needs investigation.	
than the parent;		Yes, we use a GPO for covered outpatient drug	S
2. Are not registered on the OPA 340B database as participating in the 340B		only in facilities that meet all criteria listed.	
Program;			
3. Purchase drugs through a separate			
pharmacy wholesaler account than the			
340B participating parent; and			
4. The hospital maintains records			
demonstrating that any covered			
outpatient drugs purchased through the			
GPO at these sites are not utilized or otherwise transferred to the parent			
hospital or any outpatient facilities			
registered on the OPA 340B database.			
registered on the Of A 3400 database.			



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<ul> <li>Outpatient Clinics</li> <li>Use 340B only in clinics that:</li> <li>Appear as reimbursable on the most recently filed Medicare Cost Report?</li> <li>Are integral parts of the hospital?</li> <li>Use 340B for patients that meet the 340B patient definition?</li> </ul>	There is 340B use in clinics not on the cost report and/or in clinics that are not an integral part of the hospital.  We are unsure; needs investigation.  Entity has documented evidence to support all criteria for 340B use in outpatient clinics.	
<ul> <li>Inventory Management/Record-Keeping</li> <li>Maintain separate, auditable records for all 340B purchasing and dispensing?</li> <li>Regularly evaluate 340B utilization reports to catch and correct problems?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Some or all of the following apply to the entity:         <ul> <li>Places 340B orders based upon recharacterization of claims in a manner that is not transparent to the manufacturer;</li> <li>No way to separate 340B records from other inventory;</li> <li>No regular evaluation of 340B utilization; and/or</li> <li>Regularly replenishes with generics or at the 9 digit NDC level.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Unsure; needs investigation         <ul> <li>Entity has documented evidence to support both criteria for inventory management</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Registration</li> <li>Have all information completely and accurately reflected in the HRSA 340B and PVP databases?</li> </ul>	Unsure; needs investigation.  Entity has documented evidence to support complete and accurate HRSA and PVP database information, and a plan to regularly update the information with HRSA when changes occur.	