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METHODS AND STANDARDS OF ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES - OTHER MEDICAL CARE  
(Continued)

12 a. Prescribed Drugs

- (9) Rates for ~~all~~ Physician Administered Drugs ~~prices~~ will be paid at ~~97%~~98% of Medicare's rates. The exception to this methodology is that codes identified on the DVHA high-investment carve-out drugs list are reimbursed at actual acquisition cost. Rates for Physician Administered Drugs will be updated annually using the latest version of Medicare's average sales price (ASP) drug pricing file. Medicaid reimbursement for Physician Administered Drugs may not exceed the amount that Medicare recognizes for such services.

When no Medicare rate is available, rates are established by analyzing payment and utilization data, other state Medicaid rates, or rates for similar codes. If a fixed rate cannot be established reimbursement will equal 100% of the actual acquisition costs. All rates are published on DVHA's website.