

Division of Workers' Compensation Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee

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Welcome and Introductions

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Approval of Minutes

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Inflation Reduction Act

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Artificial Tears Utilization

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Topical Analgesics

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Capsaicin Only by RxCUI

RxCUI	RxCUI Concept Name	Dosage Form	Number of Unique NDCs	Average Price/Unit	Max Price	Min Price
141868	capsaicin 0.75 MG/ML Topical Cream	Cream	1	0.07983	0.07983	0.07983
646333	capsaicin 1 MG/ML Topical Cream	Cream	6	1.19438	5.91666	0.20470

RxCUI	RxCUI Concept Name	Dosage Form	Number of Unique NDCs	Average Price/Unit	Max Price	Min Price
1039679	capsaicin 0.08 MG/MG Medicated Patch	Kit	3	2033.09667	3485.31000	871.33000
1043399	capsaicin 0.00025 MG/MG Medicated Patch	Patch	4	31.34575	43.83300	1.05000

Committee Discussion

Public Comments

Topical Lidocaine Products

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Lidocaine

- Question regarding Lidocaine becoming exempt (Dr. Meister)
 - ACOEM role
 - Exempt review and decision process
- Lidocaine products alone or in combination aggregated by RxCUI

Lidocaine Only by RxCUI

RxCUI	RxCUI Concept Name	Dosage Form	Number of Unique NDCs	Average Price/Unit	Max Price	Min Price
1010835	lidocaine hydrochloride 30 MG/ML Topical Cream	Cream	9	1.30806	4.67058	0.50374
1010895	lidocaine hydrochloride 40 MG/ML Topical Cream	Cream	11	1.23331	3.32203	0.04728
1421893	lidocaine 40 MG/ML Topical Cream	Cream	24	105.00136	2376.98000	0.38266
1432482	lidocaine hydrochloride 20 MG/ML Topical Cream	Cream	1	2.70381	2.70381	2.70381
1534792	lidocaine 50 MG/ML Topical Cream	Cream	1	0.77300	0.77300	0.77300
1593733	lidocaine hydrochloride 32.5 MG/ML Topical Cream	Cream	1	24.91535	24.91535	24.91535
1600130	lidocaine hydrochloride 37.5 MG/ML Topical Cream	Cream	1	18.01666	18.01666	18.01666
1723991	lidocaine hydrochloride 38.8 MG/ML Topical Cream	Cream	1	13.22129	13.22129	13.22129
1009433	lidocaine hydrochloride 0.025 MG/MG Topical Gel	Gel	1	0.04661	0.04661	0.04661
1010077	lidocaine hydrochloride 0.04 MG/MG Topical Gel	Gel	5	6.05466	9.09466	0.08333
1011852	lidocaine hydrochloride 0.02 MG/MG Topical Gel	Gel	2	0.35929	0.55000	0.16858
1291672	lidocaine 0.04 MG/MG Topical Gel	Gel	3	0.36465	0.43666	0.23230
1372891	lidocaine hydrochloride 0.03 MG/MG Topical Gel	Gel	3	7.59755	7.59800	7.59733
2562183	lidocaine hydrochloride 0.028 MG/MG Topical Gel	Gel	1	15.16000	15.16000	15.16000
1010836	lidocaine hydrochloride 30 MG/ML Topical Lotion	Lotion	5	12.86471	13.95000	11.28813
1543712	lidocaine hydrochloride 10 MG/ML Topical Lotion	Lotion	1	0.21666	0.21666	0.21666
1811470	lidocaine hydrochloride 27.5 MG/ML Topical Lotion	Lotion	2	5.71667	5.93333	5.50000
1543069	lidocaine 0.05 MG/MG Topical Ointment	Ointment	40	41.83845	1575.00000	0.11512
1012994	lidocaine hydrochloride 0.04 MG/MG Medicated Patch	Patch	1	1.08866	1.08866	1.08866
1737778	lidocaine 0.04 MG/MG Medicated Patch	Patch	20	9.56098	49.47066	0.89200
1745091	lidocaine 0.05 MG/MG Medicated Patch	Patch	20	8.09817	45.45454	1.87716
2001434	lidocaine 0.018 MG/MG Medicated Patch	Patch	2	9.79741	9.79741	9.79741
2199665	lidocaine 0.035 MG/MG Medicated Patch	Patch	2	47.16683	47.16700	47.16666
1010878	lidocaine hydrochloride 40 MG/ML Mucous Membrane Topical Solution	Solution	1	6.87000	6.87000	6.87000
1010769	lidocaine hydrochloride 20 MG/ML Topical Spray	Spray	6	6.47996	37.80444	0.03807
1045432	lidocaine hydrochloride 40 MG/ML Topical Spray	Spray	1	0.06153	0.06153	0.06153
1442274	lidocaine 5 MG/ML Topical Spray	Spray	4	0.02791	0.03622	0.02188

Lidocaine in Combination by RxCUI

RxCUI	RxCUI Concept Name	Dosage Form	Number of Unique NDCs	Average Price/Unit	Max Price	Min Price
197877	lidocaine 25 MG/ML / prilocaine 25 MG/ML Topical Cream	Cream	6	0.74483	1.24616	0.49416
197877	lidocaine 25 MG/ML / prilocaine 25 MG/ML Topical Cream	Cream	17	1810.83294	3840.00000	41.32000
687443	lidocaine 70 MG/ML / tetracaine 70 MG/ML Topical Cream	Cream	5	32.34159	39.21566	8.22766
1012100	benzalkonium chloride 1.3 MG/ML / lidocaine hydrochloride 5 MG/ML Topical Cream	Cream	1	0.13480	0.13480	0.13480
1595624	lidocaine hydrochloride 40 MG/ML / menthol 10 MG/ML Topical Cream	Cream	4	5.70273	13.87183	0.07372
1595784	benzocaine 20 MG/ML / capsaicin 0.35 MG/ML / lidocaine 20 MG/ML / methyl salicylate 100 MG/ML Topical Cream	Cream	1	20.49916	20.49916	20.49916
1926513	benzyl alcohol 0.1 ML/ML / lidocaine hydrochloride 40 MG/ML Topical Cream	Cream	1	0.08729	0.08729	0.08729
1804176	lidocaine 0.04 MG/MG / menthol 0.01 MG/MG Topical Gel	Gel	1	3.29858	3.29858	3.29858
2199317	lidocaine 35 MG/ML / menthol 70 MG/ML Topical Lotion	Lotion	1	6.73608	6.73608	6.73608
644287	lidocaine 70 MG / tetracaine 70 MG Medicated Patch	Patch	2	16.95000	16.95000	16.95000
1249758	lidocaine 0.04 MG/MG / menthol 0.01 MG/MG Medicated Patch	Patch	4	3.29783	9.93933	0.91200
1373130	lidocaine hydrochloride 0.04 MG/MG / menthol 0.01 MG/MG Medicated Patch	Patch	3	24.93911	48.00000	8.33333
1428948	lidocaine 0.04 MG/MG / menthol 0.04 MG/MG Medicated Patch	Patch	5	39.81640	40.41666	37.50000
1599164	lidocaine 0.04 MG/MG / menthol 0.05 MG/MG / methyl salicylate 0.04 MG/MG Medicated Patch	Patch	1	40.58466	40.58466	40.58466
2199672	lidocaine 0.035 MG/MG / menthol 0.07 MG/MG Medicated Patch	Patch	3	37.16189	52.72200	6.04166
2572014	lidocaine hydrochloride 0.04 MG/MG / menthol 0.04 MG/MG Medicated Patch	Patch	1	43.32466	43.32466	43.32466
252967	lidocaine 40 MG/ML / menthol 10 MG/ML Topical Solution	Solution	1	5.95000	5.95000	5.95000
1011839	benzalkonium chloride 1.3 MG/ML / lidocaine hydrochloride 25 MG/ML Topical Solution	Solution	3	0.03322	0.04009	0.02541
1012099	benzalkonium chloride 1.3 MG/ML / lidocaine hydrochloride 25 MG/ML Topical Spray	Spray	3	1.94217	5.76866	0.02806
1545716	benzethonium chloride 2 MG/ML / lidocaine 40 MG/ML Topical Spray	Spray	1	0.07164	0.07164	0.07164
2048005	lidocaine hydrochloride 40 MG/ML / menthol 40 MG/ML Topical Spray	Spray	1	3.00847	3.00847	3.00847

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MTUS Listings – Categories

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Potential Recategorization

- There are concerns that the categorization currently used might be confusing as it differs in some areas to what prescribers may be use to
- For discussion purposes, the MTUS List has been separated into multiple Excel spreadsheets, roughly grouped into similar therapeutic classifications
- Separating the drugs will make it easier to review
- The current ACOEM classifications are listed for each drug ingredient with potential new Therapeutic and Pharmacological categories

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Review of Recommendations

Adjournment