

# 340B in Mississippi

## Key Points

- ▶ Mississippi's low-income taxpayers are required to utilize for-profit pharmacies in Hawaii and California.
- ▶ Pharmacy Benefit Management (PBM) owned pharmacy has the most number of contracts benefiting from federal program intended to support needy Mississippi taxpayers.
- ▶ 51% of contract pharmacies intended to serve poor patients in Mississippi are located in affluent neighborhoods.
- ▶ Mississippi 340B hospitals (3.30%) provide greater charity care than the national average (2.15%).

**50% of 340B contract pharmacies for the Mississippi hospitals with the most contract pharmacies are based outside the state. Some of the pharmacies are in Hawaii and California.**

Top 5 Hospitals in Mississippi	# of 340B Contract pharmacies	# of 340B Contract Pharmacies outside the State Lines
University of Miss Medical Center	148	56 (38%)
Singing River Health System	95	56 (59%)
Singing River Gulfport	93	48 (52%)
Memorial Hospital At Gulfport	86	40 (47%)
North Mississippi Medical Center	84	51 (61%)

**Top 340B contract pharmacy supposedly serving Mississippi needy patients are PBM owned pharmacies.**

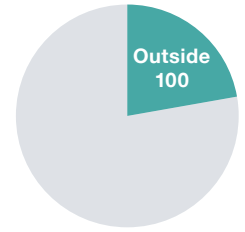
Top 5 340B Pharmacies with Most Contracts in Mississippi	PBM Owned Pharmacy	Chain Pharmacy
Optum Pharmacy 705, LLC	✓ (Optum/United)	
Walgreen Co		✓
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**Top Mississippi hospital with the highest operating expenses eligible for 340B discounts provide more charity care than the state and national averages.**

Top Mississippi 340B Hospital with The Highest Operating Expenses	Charity Care
University of Mississippi Medical	5.15%

**22% of 340B pharmacies supposedly serving poor patients in Mississippi are located outside the state.**

- Total number of contract pharmacies intended to serve needy patients in Mississippi – **446**
- Number of contract pharmacies intended to serve Mississippi's needy patients that are located outside of Mississippi – **100**

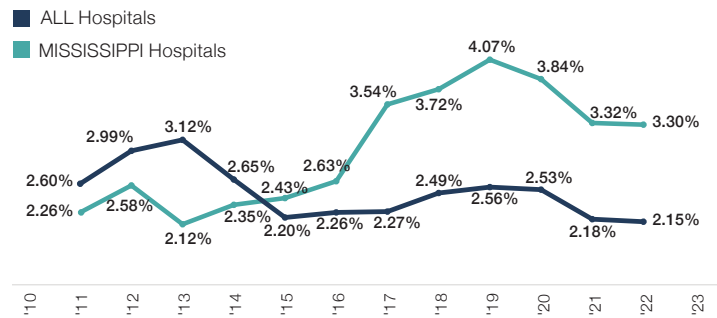


**More than half of 340B pharmacies supposedly serving the poor are in affluent neighborhoods in Mississippi.**

- **18.0%** of the population living in poverty

\* **Low-Income Districts:** house districts where the percentage of the population living in poverty is above the average state poverty percentage  
 \*\* **High-Income Districts:** house districts where the percentage of the population living in poverty is below the average state poverty percentage

## Cost of Charity Care as a Share of Operating Expenses - All vs Mississippi 340B Reporting Hospitals



## Charity Cost Ratios for Insured and Uninsured Patients State: Mississippi, Hospitals: All

