

Methodological remarks, concepts, definitions

The scope of health services is included in the Act LXXXIII of 1997 on the benefits of the compulsory health insurance and the Government Order 217/1997 (XII.1.) regulating the implementation of this act.

This chapter presents the data of those concluded price support contract.

Price support contract: is concluded between the financing institute and the service provider for health service.

Source of medical devices data: reports of manufacturers and distributors as well as of pharmacies (public pharmacies and pharmacies of institutes which have department handling prescription turnover), as well as reports of centers' turnover.

Pharmacy: in the tables under the expression "pharmacies" the data of public pharmacies and pharmacies of institutes which have department handling prescription turnover are presented together.

Public pharmacy: institute that provides the sick people with direct and full-scope medicament service.

Pharmacy of institute which have department handling prescription turnover: institutional pharmacy that carries out direct medicament services (Act XCVIII. of 2006, section 3. "r" point).

Data of prescription turnover: the health insurance expense relating the given year from 1 January to 31 December. In accordance with the price support contract, prescription data may be corrected for 5 years ("the service provider shall be entitled to perform self-revision within 5 years with respect to the previous settlement period"); therefore, there may be discrepancies in data for the previous years due to their correction.

Prescription number: prescription numbers reached by counting without the assessment of the legal titles of prescriptions (closest to actual value), and those reached by counting other breaking down [legal title, ISO, micro-regions (according to permanent address and the pharmacy used)] differ from each other, because of the following:

- corrections of giving out prescription products (corrections are accepted for a period of five years);
- in the case of medical devices, multiple products or components may be given out against one prescription which may belong to other ISO group.

This factor must be taken into account when preparing and evaluating reports.

Subsidized turnover: the data calculated at gross consumer price accepted by health insurance.

Subsidized medicament turnover of pharmacies: excluding data of medicament of special procurement as well as reimbursement due to occupational accident.

Social insurance subsidies excluding the amount of subsidy reimbursed by the central and local governmental budget for public health care purposes.

Public health care support: it has been divided into three parts with respect to the data of normative (standard), lifted and enhanced health care support under health care title.

Enhanced category: including the enhanced category turnover and the public health card owner's turnover reimbursed at enhanced level.

Lifted category: including the lifted category turnover and the public health card owner's turnover reimbursed at enhanced level.

Special legal title

- *Military obligation:* civilian and professional employees (and contract labour) belonging to the organization of Ministry of Defence are entitled to obtain health care service free of charge, if the doctor indicates the legal title ("military obligation") on the prescription.
- *Occupational accident:* according to the Act LXXXIII of 1997, section 54, subsection 1, the insuree, if his/her health impairment is a consequence of an occupational accident or occupational disease, is entitled to utilize 100 percent subsidy on the price of health care services, in case of their subsidy exceeds 0 percent.

Normative subsidies on medical devices: the amount of subsidy on price may be 50, 70, 80, 85, 90, 98 or 100% and a fix sum of the price including the value added tax and medicinal products provided on the basis of normative public health care support.