

Future policy directions to address Medicare prescription drug spending

ISSUE: In recent years, Medicare spending for prescription drugs under Part B and Part D has grown faster than other categories of spending.

KEY POINTS: Staff will review the Commission’s recent drug recommendations as well as other policy approaches that have been suggested by policymakers and researchers or that are being used by payers, pharmacy benefit managers, and health plans.

ACTION: Commissioners will discuss the scope and substance of the material and directions for future Commission work.