

# **Iowa Medicaid Enterprise Pharmacy Cost of Dispensing Survey Frequently Asked Questions**

## ***Is the Iowa Medicaid Pharmacy Cost of Dispensing Survey mandatory?***

Yes. During the 2012 Iowa Legislative session, the 84<sup>th</sup> Iowa General Assembly enacted a requirement that the Department of Human Services perform a cost of dispensing survey (Senate File 2336, Section 33). Pharmacies that participate in the Medical Assistance program are required to complete the cost of dispensing survey, pursuant to that legislation.

## ***How often will cost of dispensing surveys occur?***

Pursuant to 2013 Iowa Acts, Senate File 446, Section 29, all medical assistance program participating pharmacies are required to complete a cost of dispensing survey which will be performed every two years beginning in state fiscal year 2014-2015.

## ***When is the survey due?***

Survey responses are due six weeks after the survey is mailed.

## ***If I submit my tax form/financial statement, which sections can I skip?***

If you submit a copy of your financial statements or income tax return, Myers and Stauffer will complete Section IIB on pages 3 & 4 and sections IID on page 6. You will still need to complete pages 1, 2, Section IIA on page 3, and page 5.

## ***Will the information submitted be treated confidentially?***

Cost of dispensing information that specifically identifies a pharmacy and is submitted under the legislative requirement (Senate File 2336, Section 33) will remain confidential. For reporting purposes, the submitted information will be aggregated and de-identified.

## ***Where can I obtain more information regarding the COD survey?***

Information regarding the cost of dispensing survey can be found at <http://www.mslc.com/iowa/CostofDispensingSurvey.aspx>. Information provided includes survey materials, frequently asked questions, and a communications plan. In addition, providers may contact Myers and Stauffer via email ([disp\\_survey@mslc.com](mailto:disp_survey@mslc.com)) or toll-free telephone (800-374-6858) with questions regarding the cost of dispensing survey.