



## Protect 340B and Eliminate White Bagging

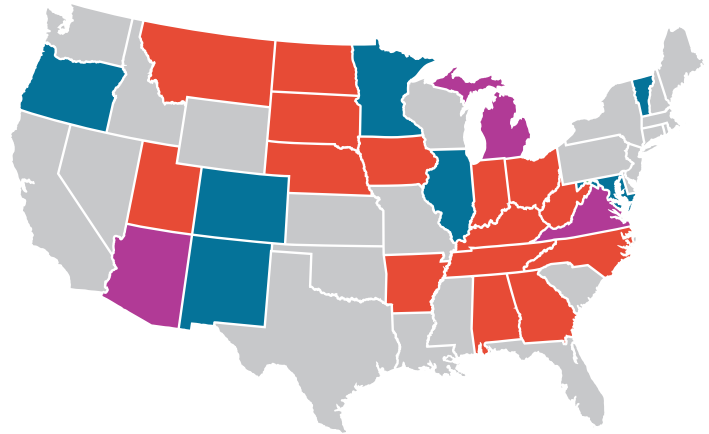
Help patients, communities and the hospitals that serve them.

On April 25, Iowa became the 25th state to adopt 340B nondiscrimination legislation. More than half of the states — and more than half of the states on Missouri’s borders — have adopted legislation protecting the program.

### Missouri can do the same.

There’s bipartisan support for 340B protections, including adoption in:

- » red states like Iowa, Nebraska, Arkansas, Indiana, Tennessee, Alabama, Ohio and Georgia;
- » blue states like Illinois, Minnesota, Oregon and New Mexico; and
- » purple states like Michigan, Virginia and Arizona.



**Adopting these provisions will protect against insurance company actions that threaten hospitals’ viability. The 340B program helps hospitals support the cost of uninsured patients, deliver low-cost pharmaceuticals and invest in programs that improve individual and community health.**

Missouri’s legislation would prevent insurance companies from:

- » diverting federal 340B funds away from local hospitals and clinics
- » removing health care treatment decisions from the hands of a patient’s local providers and pharmacists and placing them with third-party pharmacies who know little about a patient’s health needs

**These 340B and white bagging provisions are good for patients and Missouri communities. They help sustain life-saving services and protect critical support for hospitals’ financial health. Doing nothing is a vote for closing more rural hospitals and putting insurer profits over Missouri patients.**