The Cost of Diabetes Care

The Rising Cost of Care for Diabetes

Average Direct Costs of Diabetes Care

Hospital Inpatient Care
- $4,966 annually for people with diabetes, $2,819 is directly attributable to diabetes

Prescription Drugs and Antidiabetes Supplies
- $6,325 annually for people with diabetes, $4,333 is directly attributable to diabetes

Physician Office Visits
- $2,099 annually for people with diabetes, $1,213 is directly attributable to diabetes

Other Expenditures
- $3,364 annually for people with diabetes, $1,236 is directly attributable to diabetes

Average Cost of Medical Care Attributable to Diabetes, 2007-2017
- 2007: $7,818
- 2012: $8,417
- 2017: $9,601

Proportion of Indirect Costs of Diabetes in the United States, 2017
- Inability to work due to diabetes-related disability: 42%
- Reduced productivity due to early mortality: 22%
- Reduced productivity while at work: 30%
- Other costs: 2%

Total Indirect Costs Attributable to Diabetes in the U.S.: $89.9 Billion

Outpatient Medications and Supplies Specific to Individuals with Diabetes

Insulin
- Insulin costs an average of $606 annually, with significant variability relating to formulary, insurance, and list price modifications

Antidiabetes Agents and Supplies
- Antidiabetes agents and supplies cost an average of $978 annually

Prescription Medications
- Prescription medications used in the treatment of complications associated with diabetes or for other reasons cost an average of $4,741 annually

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