## State Policies Could Save Patients Nearly \$1,000 Annually on Their Medicines.

## Negotiations between

pharmaceutical companies, health insurers and pharmacy benefit managers result in significant rebates and discounts, which totaled \$236 billion in 2021.


Passing state legislation requiring insurers and pharmacy benefit managers to share negotiated discounts and rebates at the pharmacy counter could save some patients nearly \$1,000 each year.

While sharing negotiated rebates and discounts with patients could increase premiums $0.6 \%$ or less, it would save patients money.

Mary has an auto-immune disease and is enrolled in a high deductible health plan with coinsurance for medicine. She spends \$1500 annually out of pocket and would save about \$200 a year.


Joe has diabetes and cardiovascular disease and is enrolled in a preferred provider organization plan with coinsurance for medicine. He spends $\$ 4000$ out of pocket annually and would save about \$777 a year.

## Why not let patients benefit?

