

## **COMMUNITY ACCESS NATIONAL NETWORK**

**Prescription Drug Advisory Boards (PDABs)** 



**Response Project for People Living with HIV** 

### **Prescription Drug Advisory Boards: What They Are and Why They Matter to Patients**



#### **What are PDABs?**

Prescription Drug Advisory Boards are government-sanctioned, independent bodies charged with price setting of medicines.

DPAB States: CO, MA, ME, MD, MN, NH, NJ, OH, OR, WA

## **Healthcare Spending in the United States**

# 4.3 trillion dollars

Total National Health Expenditure In 2021 (with an increased of 2.7% from previous year)

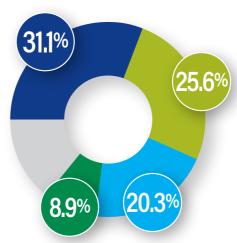
The federal government 34% held the majority of the spending burden

# More than 15% of adults

in the United States report past-due medical debt

# **Nearly 73%**

owing some or all of that debt to hospitals.



#### **Total National Health Expenditures**

Hospital-Related Costs

Residential and Personal Care

Physician and Clinic-Related Costs

Retail Prescription Drugs

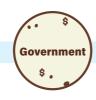
Other

Source: KFF analysis of National Expenditure (NHE) data

## **Entities Involved in Drug Pricing Decisions**













PDABs focus on reducing "prices" and insurer costs, **NOT** patient costs at the pharmacy counter.

True or False: Savings are passed on to patients?

FALSE X

#### **Barriers Between Patients and Providers**

