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## **The Pharmacist Will See You Now: Pharmacist Prescriptive Authority and Access to Care in Idaho**

Abstract:

In 2018, Idaho became the first state to grant broad prescriptive authority to pharmacists in the United States for medications related to specific minor conditions. We examine the effects of this reform on access to care for Medicare beneficiaries prescribed albuterol sulfate (used to treat asthmatic symptoms) and pen needles (used to manage diabetes). These are medications for patients for whom delays may inhibit the effectiveness of treatment. We find evidence that three more individuals per pharmacist received time-sensitive care, potentially avoiding detrimental or expensive alternatives.

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