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Office of Inspector General via DC Medical News

OIG did a study of Part D drug prices. The study ([here](#)) found that “Total reimbursement for all brand name drugs in Part D increased 77 percent from 2011 to 2015, despite a 17 percent decrease in the number of prescriptions for these drugs . . . Part D unit costs for brand name drugs rose nearly 6 times faster than inflation from 2011 to 2015. The percentage of beneficiaries responsible for out of pocket costs of at least \$2,000 per year for brand name drugs nearly doubled across the 5-year span.” [READ MORE](#)



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Health Care Law Today

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