

## [TEMPLATE TO COMMUNICATE THE VALUE OF THE 340B PROGRAM]

### [HOSPITAL NAME, LOCATION]

**THE HOSPITAL:** [Provide a brief description of your hospital. This is an opportunity to describe your hospital's mission and the community served. Describe any challenges you face in serving your community. You also could consider including some financial metrics such as the amount of uncompensated care your hospital provides and the dollar value of community benefit.]

**THE BENEFITS OF THE 340B PROGRAM:** [You should include how your hospital uses the 340B program to benefit your patients and community. One source of information the hospital could draw from is any public reporting such as the IRS 990 form or other state or local required reporting. It is most effective to focus on how the program's savings allow your hospital to address identified needs in the community, rather than the financial benefit the program provides to your hospital. However, if the 340B program allows you to maintain vital community services such as access to 24/7 emergency and trauma services, you should include those examples. Consider including examples, such as:

- provide financial assistance to patients unable to afford their prescriptions;
- provide clinical pharmacy services, such as disease management programs or medication therapy management;
- provide transportation to needy patients allowing them access to essential health care services;
- fund other medical services, such as obstetrics, diabetes education, oncology services and other ambulatory services;
- establish additional outpatient clinics to improve access;
- create new community outreach programs;
- provide preventive care and mental and behavioral health services;
- offer free vaccinations for vulnerable populations;
- provide access to specialty care, such as oncology care, not otherwise available to many low-income individuals in the community; and
- provide discharge prescriptions as part of program efforts to reduce avoidable readmissions.

[Where possible, you could include the numbers of patients served in the various programs. You also should consider including at least one specific example of a patient who has benefitted from the hospital's participation in the 340B program consistent with federal and state privacy laws. Some good examples would be a patient who receives access to cancer treatment closer to home; a poor patient who receives prescription drugs at reduced rates or free of charge; a person who receives free treatment at one of your clinics or who is enrolled in one your community health programs made possible in part through the 340B program.]

**IMPACT IF THE PROGRAM WAS SCALED BACK:** [Describe the programs or services that could have to be reduced or eliminated if the 340B program were scaled back. Explain how reducing or eliminating these programs would decrease access to care for the patients and community your hospital serves.]