RESEARCH RESULTS

GLP-1 Pharmacy Targeting

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GLP-1 Economics — Pharmacy Scoring — Outreach Priority

What This Is

I ran research against publicly available federal datasets to answer a specific question: **which of the 41,775 qualified independent pharmacies in the database are the strongest targets for RetailMyMeds, and why?**

The result is a single CSV (`pharmacies_glp1_targeting.csv`) that scores and ranks every pharmacy by estimated GLP-1 financial exposure, area-level health data, and outreach priority. Every number traces to a named federal source.

The underlying data is measured — federal agency datasets, not survey self-reports. The financial projections layered on top are *estimates* built from that data using NCPA's published loss-per-fill economics.[1,2] Where a number is measured vs. estimated is noted throughout.

Data Sources

Source	What It Provides	Agency
Medicare Part D[3]	State GLP-1 claims + drug cost (2023)	CMS
Medicaid SDUD[4]	State GLP-1 prescriptions + reimbursement (2024)	CMS
CDC PLACES 2025[5]	ZIP-level diabetes, obesity, uninsured rates	CDC
Census ACS 2023[6]	ZIP-level % 65+, median income, population	Census Bureau
HRSA HPSA 2026[7]	Primary care shortage area designations	HRSA
NPPES NPI Registry[8]	Pharmacy identity, status, owner	CMS

Loss-per-fill economics ($37–$42/fill) come from NCPA survey data[1,2] and per-drug WAC-minus-reimbursement calculations from the GLP-1 Value Proposition. The $275/month subscription price and 5% moderate routing rate come from the RetailMyMeds GLP-1 Value Proposition.

How the Scoring Works

Each pharmacy receives a **final score** (0–100) from three weighted components:

Component	Weight	What It Measures
Opportunity Score	45%	Area disease burden (diabetes + obesity), Medicare density (% 65+), state GLP-1 market intensity, HPSA underserved status
Financial Impact	30%	Magnitude of estimated monthly GLP-1 loss ($)
Urgency	25%	GLP-1 fill volume, disease severity, MFP exposure, shortage area acuity

Why these weights. Opportunity captures whether the pharmacy is *in the right area* — high disease burden means more GLP-1 demand, more 65+ means more Part D exposure, HPSA means less competition. Financial impact captures how much the pharmacy is *bleeding today*. Urgency captures how *acutely* they need a solution. A pharmacy can be in a perfect area (high opportunity) but with moderate volume (lower financial impact) — or vice versa. The weighted blend identifies pharmacies where all three align.

Fill Estimate Methodology

Monthly GLP-1 fills per pharmacy are estimated by indexing each state's CMS-measured claims volume[3,4] against the NCPA national average of 394 GLP-1 fills/month,[9] then adjusting ±15% based on the pharmacy's ZIP-level disease burden[5] and Medicare density.[6] The resulting range (197–650 fills/month) aligns with the 80–580 range observed in the 12-pharmacy portfolio analysis.

Results

Grade Distribution

Grade	Count	% of Total	Classification
A	5,118	12.3%	Strong Fit — high area need + high financial exposure + high urgency
B	14,775	35.4%	Good Fit — strong on two of three dimensions
C	18,352	43.9%	Conditional — moderate opportunity, worth monitoring
D	3,530	8.5%	Low priority — low volume or low area need

Outreach Priority

Priority	Count	%	Action
Immediate Outreach	11,190	26.8%	Direct outreach — score ≥ 80, urgency ≥ 70
Nurture	10,949	26.2%	Drip campaign, conference touchpoints, association channels
Conditional	16,106	38.6%	Watch list — may convert as MFP cycles expand
Deprioritize	3,530	8.5%	Do not spend time here

Conversation Segments

Each pharmacy is tagged with the **pain point that should lead the conversation**:

Segment	Count	Lead Message
GLP-1 Loss	30,808 (73.7%)	"You're losing $37–$42 on every GLP-1 fill. RetailMyMeds routes those prescriptions so you stop absorbing the loss."
DIR Fee Squeeze	7,424 (17.8%)	"Your area is medically underserved and your margins are the thinnest in the country. Routing below-cost prescriptions is how you survive."
MFP Cash Flow	3,543 (8.5%)	"MFP is creating a $10,838/week cash flow gap. RetailMyMeds' scheduling intelligence addresses the timing directly."

Financial Model

Every pharmacy in the CSV includes a per-pharmacy financial projection. "ROI multiple" = estimated annual net savings / $3,300 annual subscription cost, assuming 5% of GLP-1 fills are

routed at the mid-range loss of $39.50/fill. This is a projected return on the subscription, not a guaranteed outcome — actual results depend on the pharmacy's real fill volume and PBM contracts.

Immediate Outreach Pharmacies — Average Profile

Estimated monthly GLP-1 fills:	∼**484**
Estimated monthly GLP-1 loss (mid):	∼**$19K** ($14K–$25K range)
At 5% routing rate (∼24 fills routed):	∼**$680/month net savings** after $275 subscription
Estimated ROI multiple:	**3.5x** (range: 1.9x–4.6x)
Breakeven:	**8 fills/month** routed (∼2% of GLP-1 volume)

These are estimates, not pharmacy-reported numbers. The national average pharmacy (394 fills/month at $37/fill) yields $465/month net savings and 1.7x ROI per the GLP-1 Value Proposition.[9] Immediate Outreach pharmacies score higher because they are in areas with above-average disease burden and Medicare density, which the model uses to estimate higher fill volume.

The CSV includes three loss scenarios per pharmacy:

Scenario	Loss/Fill	Source
Conservative	$37/fill	Per-drug WAC/reimbursement spread[1,9]
Mid-range	$39.50/fill	Midpoint
High	$42/fill	NCPA pharmacist survey[2]

Top 10 States by Immediate Outreach Volume

Rank	State	Imm. Outreach	Est. Avg Loss/Mo	Est. ROI
1	California	2,070	∼$20K	3.6x
2	North Carolina	883	∼$18K	3.3x
3	Ohio	842	∼$25K	4.6x
4	**Louisiana**	**759**	**∼$20K**	**3.5x**
5	Illinois	671	∼$17K	3.1x
6	Tennessee	574	∼$15K	2.8x
7	Missouri	437	∼$15K	2.8x
8	South Carolina	395	∼$18K	3.2x
9	West Virginia	356	∼$19K	3.4x
10	Wisconsin	354	∼$21K	3.8x

Louisiana is highlighted as Arica's home market. Ohio and Wisconsin show the highest per-pharmacy loss among the top 10, making them strong expansion targets.

What's in the CSV

`pharmacies_glp1_targeting.csv` contains **36 columns** per pharmacy:

Identity (9 fields)

- NPI, name, city, state, ZIP, phone
- NPPES status, owner name, owner title

Area Health Context (7 fields)

- ZIP diabetes %, obesity %, % 65+
- Median income, population
- HPSA designated (yes/no), HPSA score

State GLP-1 Economics (2 fields)

- Govt GLP-1 claims per pharmacy
- Govt GLP-1 cost per pharmacy

Pharmacy Financial Estimates (5 fields)

- Est. monthly GLP-1 fills
- Monthly loss (low / mid / high)
- Annual loss

ROI Model (7 fields)

- Fills routed at 5%, monthly savings
- Net monthly after $275 subscription
- Annual net savings, ROI multiple
- Breakeven fills, % volume for breakeven

Targeting (6 fields)

- Segment (GLP-1 / MFP / DIR)
- Urgency score, opportunity score
- Final score, grade, outreach priority

What This Means

The 41,775 pharmacies in the qualified database now have **measured, source-cited targeting data**. For Arica's outreach:

1. **11,190 pharmacies are flagged Immediate Outreach.** These are independents in high-disease-burden, high-Medicare-density areas with the highest estimated GLP-1 losses. They are the pharmacies most likely to feel the pain RetailMyMeds solves.

2. **Every pharmacy has a conversation segment.** The CSV tells you whether to lead with GLP-1 losses, MFP cash flow, or DIR fee pressure — based on that pharmacy's area characteristics, not a guess.

3. **The financial model is per-pharmacy, not per-state.** Each row shows estimated fills, estimated losses, projected savings at $275/month, and estimated ROI. This applies the same math from the GLP-1 Value Proposition to each pharmacy's area context. The base case (394 fills, $37/fill, 5% routing) yields $465/month net — higher-scoring pharmacies project higher because their area data suggests above-average GLP-1 volume.

4. **Louisiana has 759 Immediate Outreach pharmacies** with an average estimated loss of ~$20K/month and 3.5x estimated ROI. This is Arica's home market, supported by the WVIPA relationship and association expansion strategy.

Concrete Next Step

In the CSV, filter `outreach_priority = ''Immediate Outreach''` and `state = ''LA''` to get Arica's first 759 call targets, sorted by `final_score` descending. The `segment` column tells you which pain point to lead with for each pharmacy.

Honest Framing

What is measured: NPI/pharmacy identity (NPPES[8]), ZIP-level disease prevalence (CDC PLACES[5]), % 65+ and income (Census ACS[6]), HPSA designations (HRSA[7]), state-level GLP-1 claims and costs (CMS Medicare Part D[3], Medicaid SDUD[4]).

What is estimated: Per-pharmacy GLP-1 fill volume (derived from state CMS data indexed to the NCPA 394/month average,[9] adjusted ±15% by area health burden), monthly loss (fills × $37–$42 NCPA loss/fill[1,2]), savings (assumes 5% routing rate from Value Proposition), and ROI (savings / $3,300 annual subscription).

Key assumptions in the estimation chain: Government payers represent ∼55% of GLP-1 volume; state index is capped at 1.5x national average; area disease burden adjusts fills ±15%; 5% routing rate is the moderate scenario, not guaranteed.

Actual conversion depends on the pharmacy's specific PBM contracts, real fill volume, and willingness to adopt.

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