

§ 58-56B-15. (Effective October 1, 2026) Contract requirements.

(a) **Negotiated Terms.** – A PSAO-pharmacy contract shall include a requirement that the PSAO provide to the pharmacy a copy of any contract, amendment, payment schedule, or reimbursement rate within 10 calendar days after the execution of, or amendment to, a contract that the PSAO has signed on behalf of the independent pharmacy.

(b) **Updates to Required Disclosures.** – A contract between a PSAO and an independent pharmacy, PBM, or third-party payer shall include the requirement that the PSAO update disclosures in accordance with G.S. 58-56B-10(d).

(c) **Prohibition on Certain Purchase Requirements.** – A PSAO shall not require a pharmacy to purchase specific amounts of prescription drugs, whether generic or brand name, in order to access discounts.

(d) **Audits.** – If a PSAO-pharmacy contract grants a PBM the right or obligation to conduct audits of an independent pharmacy, then that PSAO-pharmacy contract is required to contain language that permits the PBM to obtain information from the PSAO in connection with the PBM's audit of that independent pharmacy.

(e) **Timely Transmission of Remittance.** – A PSAO-pharmacy contract shall provide that all remittances for claims submitted to the PSAO by a PBM or third-party payer on behalf of the independent pharmacy shall be passed through by the PSAO to the pharmacy within a reasonable amount of time after receipt of the remittance by the PSAO from a PBM or third-party payer. The reasonable amount of time required under this section shall be established in the PSAO-pharmacy contract. (2025-69, s. 2.1.)