

## **The End of AWP?**

First DataBank's agreement to settle a price-fixing suit, in which they admitted no wrongdoing, will result in First DataBank adjusting its reporting in the *Blue Book AWP* to reduce the 5% markup it calculated into the prices it reports. First DataBank also agreed to discontinue publishing the price guide within two years while helping to find a different benchmark for drug pricing.

The suit against First DataBank and McKesson alleged the companies conspired to inflate AWP for prescription drugs. McKesson denies the accusations and continues to fight the suit in court.

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