

Pharmaceutical Sector in Brazil: Regulation and CADE's analysis

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Background:

- Before 2000: Control of profit margin;
- Between 2000 and 2003: Gentlemen's agreement established between the country and pharmaceutical companies;
- After 2003 until nowadays: Enactment of Law 10,742/2003 and establishment of the Chamber of Medicines (CMED).



Sector's Regulation

- Chamber of Medicines (CMED)
 - Deliberate and establish directives for the regulation of the pharmaceutical sector.
 - Policy of ceiling prices.
 - Pharmaceutical companies must practice prices under the maximum price established by CMED for each medicine.
 - Annual readjustments, based on the price of inputs and productivity of the sector.
 - Three types of ceiling prices: i) Factory Price (PF) for hospitals and retailers; ii) Maximum Price to consumers (PMC) to pharmacies and; Maximum Price to the Government (PMVG) to public bids

^{*}The list is released each year on ANVISA's Website.



- Many cases analyzed in 2000
 - > CADE applied the rule of and defined the relevant market based in the definition of the active ingredient of the medicines

➤ Identification of the Relevant market, based in the terapeutic definition of each medicine and the drug active ingredient;

Criteria of definition based in the Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical – ATC





- Prospective analysis
 - Studies elaborated by CADE's Department of Economic Studies:
 - 08700.002883/2015-00 Analyzed the prices of medicines charged by pharmacies
 - 08700.004219/2015-97 Analyzed the prices of orthoses, prostheses and medicines charged by hospitals to health insurance plans
 - > Technical Note No 41





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Conclusion

CADE condemned, in June 2015, the companies Eli Lilly do Brasil Ltda. and Eli Lilly & Co. for the practice internationally known as sham litigation The fine imposed sum BRL 36.6 million



Thank you!

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