340B is important to WakeMed’s overall mission
340B helps us improve the health and well-being of our community, with outstanding and compassionate care to all.

The 340B program provides significant outpatient prescription medication savings to eligible patients. Our ability to deliver these services is often the difference between individuals receiving the care and medication they need, or going without.

“Without a doubt 340B helps our patients,” says WakeMed Hospitalist Dr. Ted Tsomides. “Access to insulin can be life-changing. I had a patient with 5 recent readmissions (at an average cost of $10,876 per readmission) for diabetic complications, and with medication nonadherence due to out-of-pocket cost of insulin being greater than $150 a month. Once the patient was able to get her insulin filled at WakeMed for $7.99 a month through the 340B pricing program, she was able to control her diabetes and her A1C decreased by over 3 points.”

340B prescriptions like these can be filled at over 50 network contract pharmacies throughout the Triangle. Many are shown on the back.

The 340B prescription drug program is a lifeline, supporting vital health services and programs in our community. The program is structured to reach only hospitals that provide a high level of services to low-income individuals or that serve isolated rural communities. Statistically, more 340B hospitals provide money-losing vital health services such as trauma centers, NICU care, HIV-AIDS treatment and immunizations than non-340B hospitals.

The savings from 340B helped contribute to the following WakeMed Programs:

WakeMed Health & Hospitals and the community we serve benefit significantly from our participation in the 340B program. We provide a wide range of services to our community that spans the entire continuum of care.