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# Investigational Drug Service Fees 2026

The Investigational Drug Service offers a series of services to assist investigators in conducting clinical trials. Our service will assist in executing the scientific, clinical, and administrative management of investigational drug studies.

### Protocol Set-Up – Inpatient/Outpatient

<b>Advanced Trials (Oncology, Immunotherapy, viral vector etc.)</b>	\$ 4,900
<b>Standard Trials</b>	\$ 4,100
<b>Hazardous Drug Assessment and Handling- billed at set-up</b>	\$ 340/drug

One time non-refundable fee includes but not limited to, reviewing the protocol, develop specific dispensing procedures set by the study protocol, creating randomization scheme (if needed), building inpatient medication orders in Epic (mandatory), and develop pre-printed orders sets for 7/24 inpatient studies (must be approved by the PI prior to use); develop study specific pre-printed Physician's Order Form (must be approved by the PI prior to use), building medication orders in EPIC treatment plans in Epic (mandatory for patients receiving treatment in the Hospital or Infusion Center), and preparing prescription label pursuant to California Board of Pharmacy and/or local laws and regulations. In addition but not limited to, IDS to meet with the sponsor at Site Initiation Visit; study drug inventory will be accurately maintained and documented, and IDS staff will provide in-service training to nursing and inpatient pharmacy staff. Pharmacokinetics, pharmacodynamics, and special lab draws are not included.

### Renewal Fee (annual)

<b>Advanced Trials (Oncology, Immunotherapy, viral vector etc.)</b>	\$2,450
<b>Standard Trials</b>	\$2,050

For multi-year studies, an annual maintenance fee will be applied on the anniversary of the date that the initial Set-Up Fee was applied. The maintenance fee covers but not limited to continuing investigational product management (temperature controlled storage, regular inventory and documentation, and query responses that occur regardless of medication dispensation).

### Closure Fee:

\$ 720

Closing Task includes but not limited to, conducting close out visit with the sponsor, perform final drug accountability and drug destruction on site (if needed), complete any inquiries, provide supporting documents such as temperature logs, drug receipts, etc., complete final billing (if not finalized prior), and storage of protocol specific pharmacy binder (on-site up to 12 months, then long term storage [Iron Mountain] for additional 22 years).

*Note: After close-out visit, when fulfilling requests for additional IDS pharmacy records, sponsor will be charged for annual maintenance fee and pharmacy service fee at a rate of \$215/hour.*

**Protocol Update** \$ 430/amendment  
The fee covers 2 hours of work for IDS to process new amendments (**master protocol, Investigator Brochure and pharmacy manual**) with significant pharmacy changes such as new cohorts, study arms and IP formulations.

**Non-standard Pharmacy Personnel Training** \$ 215/hour/person  
The training include but not limited to complicated IP preparation, liquid nitrogen handling, IXRS (IWRS and IVRS) if pharmacy staff are involved.

**Randomization Assignment** \$ 260

**Monitor/Sponsor Visit (minimum 1 hour/visit)** \$ 215/hour  
Visits should be scheduled with IDS in advance and are limited to the scheduled time. Sponsor will be charged 1 hour in cases of no show or last minute cancellation.

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#### **Dispensing Fees per Rx per dosage strength**

**Oral, topical, pre-filled syringes, medication kits, Controlled** \$ 215

**Injectable (sterile compounding required)** \$ 360

**Complex IPs:** requiring special handling procedures exceeding **two hours** \$ 215/hour\*  
The fees apply to pharmaceuticals including but not limited to viral vectors, cellular products, nucleotides, vaccines, large doses, infusion pump programming etc.

**Compounded/Dispensed for evenings, weekends, holidays** \$ 330/hour\*\*

**Pharmacist Required Randomization/IXRS Assignment** \$ 65

**Study-Specific Compounding (labor)** \$ 215/hour\*

**Encapsulation:** \$ 16/Capsule

**Commercial Medication Access Fee/Procurement- billed at set-up** \$1,365/drug

**Shipment fee:** \$100 (not including courier fee)

**Courier fee to satellite (Medspeed):** \$ actual cost

\*Time spent to compound and dispense investigational pharmaceuticals per Rx should be evaluated between the sponsor/investigator and Investigational Drug Service prior to the start of the study. IDS will charge the sponsor/investigator based on the ACTUAL time spent per Rx.

\*\*Evening/Weekend/Holiday Dispensing: \$650 + \$325/hr after hour 2 + dispensing fees

New Categories:

1. Multi-site and hybrid protocols
  - Setup fee: \$4,900/site
  - Renewal fee: \$2,450/site
2. Clinical service: dosing per pharmacy: \$215/hour
  - Dosing per pharmacy
  - REMS program