National Opioids Settlement: Albertsons
Opioids Implementation Administrator
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Albemarle County, VA
Reference Number: CL-2264425

TO LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS AND SPECIAL DISTRICTS:
THIS NOTICE CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT A NEW NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT.

SETTLEMENT OVERVIEW

A proposed settlement agreement ("Settlement") has been reached between regional supermarket pharmacy Albertsons Companies, Inc. and thirty-four states and the District of Columbia. The Settlement would resolve the legal claims of states and local political subdivisions against Albertsons for alleged misconduct related to the distribution and dispensing of opioids. Pursuant to the terms of the Settlement, Albertsons has determined that enough eligible states have agreed to join the Settlement to proceed with notice to subdivisions.

The Settlement requires Albertsons Companies, Inc. to pay over $770 million. Of this amount, approximately $655 million will be used by participating states and subdivisions to remediate and abate the impacts of the opioid crisis. The Settlement requires payments over 9 years.

The Settlement also contains injunctive relief governing opioid dispensing practices and requires Albertsons to implement safeguards to prevent diversion of prescription opioids.

The proposed Settlement has two key participation steps:

First, each eligible state decides whether to participate in the Settlement. A list of participating states can be found at https://nationalopioidsettlement.com/state-participation-status/

Second, eligible subdivisions within each participating state decide whether to participate in the Settlement. The more subdivisions that participate, the more funds flow to that state and its subdivisions. Any subdivision that does not participate cannot directly share in any of the settlement funds, even if the subdivision's state is settling and other participating subdivisions are sharing in settlement funds. If the state does not participate, the subdivisions in that state are not eligible to participate in the Settlement.

Eligible Entities must decide whether to participate by **December 30, 2026.**

WHO IS RUBRIS INC. AND WHAT IS THE IMPLEMENTATION ADMINISTRATOR?

The Settlement provides that an Implementation Administrator will provide notice and manage the collection of participation forms. Rubris, Inc. is the Implementation Administrator for this new Settlement and was also retained for the prior national opioid settlements.

WHY IS YOUR ENTITY RECEIVING THIS NOTICE?

Your entity is eligible to participate in this Settlement. This Notice is also sent directly to counsel for each Eligible Entity if the Implementation Administrator has their information.

If you are represented by an attorney with respect to opioid claims, please contact them. **Subdivisions can participate in this Settlement whether or not they filed a lawsuit or are represented.**

WHERE CAN YOU FIND MORE INFORMATION?

Detailed information about the Settlement may be found at:
https://nationalopioidsettlement.com

You are encouraged to review the Settlement Agreement terms and discuss the terms and benefits with your counsel. Each Eligible Entity will need to decide whether to participate in the proposed Settlement, and entities are encouraged to work through this process before the **December 30, 2026** deadline.

You are encouraged to review the settlement agreement terms and discuss the terms and benefits with your counsel, your Attorney General's Office, and other contacts within your state. Information and documents regarding the Settlement and your state allocation can be found on the settlement website at https://nationalopioidsettlement.com/.

Your subdivision will need to decide whether to participate in the proposed Settlement, and subdivisions are encouraged to work through this process before the **December 30, 2026** deadline.

HOW DO YOU PARTICIPATE IN THE SETTLEMENT?

The Settlement requires that each Eligible Entity take affirmative steps to "opt in" to the Settlement. You will receive the ***Subdivision Participation and Release Form*** via Docusign along with instructions from the Implementation Administrator. In order to participate in this Settlement, a person with authority must sign and return the required ***Subdivision Participation and Release Form***. Docusign remains the preferred method of submission of the needed form.

Please add the following email addresses to your "safe" list so emails do not go to spam / junk folders: *dse_na3@docusign.net* and *opioidsparticipation@rubris.com*. Please monitor your email for the Participation Form and instructions.

All required documentation must be signed and returned on or before **December 30, 2026**.