



Updated: Appendix H – List of Physician Administered Drugs (PADs) with Reject Code 816

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A physician administered drug (PAD) may be either a medical or a pharmacy benefit. The list of covered PADs with Medi-Cal Rx can be found on the [Medi-Cal Rx Pharmacy Reimbursable Physician Administered Drugs](#) list. Claims submitted to Medi-Cal Rx for PADs that are a medical benefit will deny with **NCPDP Reject Code 816 – Pharmacy Drug Benefit Exclusion**.

Appendix H – List of Physician Administered Drugs (PADs) with Reject Code 816, located in the [Medi-Cal Rx Provider Manual](#), has been updated. *Appendix H* identifies examples of PADs excluded from the Medi-Cal Rx pharmacy benefits. This list is subject to change. PAD claims denying for Reject Code 816 should be submitted as a medical benefit to the managed care plan (MCP) if the beneficiary is an MCP member or to the fee-for-service medical claims adjudicators if the beneficiary is not an MCP member.

Under limited circumstances, a PAD claim denying with Reject Code 816 may be considered for coverage under the Medi-Cal Rx pharmacy benefit. For the PAD to be reviewed for coverage as a pharmacy benefit, a prior authorization (PA) request must be submitted to Medi-Cal Rx. These requests will be reviewed by the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) on a case-by-case basis.

Contact Information

You can call the Medi-Cal Rx Customer Service Center (CSC) at 1-800-977-2273, which is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days per year.

For other questions, email Medi-Cal Rx Education & Outreach at MediCalRxEducationOutreach@magellanhealth.com.