



Updates to Medical Supplies: Basal Thermometers, Effective July 1, 2023

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What Prescribers and Pharmacy Providers Need to Know

Effective July 1, 2023, basal thermometers have been added to the [List of Covered Medical Supplies Product Descriptions and Billing Information](#) as a covered Medi-Cal Rx pharmacy benefit. A Code I diagnosis for contraception use only is required for a paid claim. Basal thermometers are non-contracted Medi-Cal Rx benefits, and any active NDC meeting the definition of basal thermometers can be billed.

- Basal thermometers reimburse at a Maximum Allowable Product Cost (MAPC) of \$10.00 each, plus a 23-percent markup. A 10-percent reduction will be applied to each adjudicated Medi-Cal Rx claim pursuant to Assembly Bill (AB) 97 (2011).
- One basal thermometer can be billed every 365 days per beneficiary; sex and age restrictions apply. The Medi-Cal Rx transition policy does not apply to this device addition.

What Prescribers and Pharmacy Providers Need to Do

Refer to the [Medi-Cal Rx Provider Manual](#) on the [Medi-Cal Rx Web Portal](#) for additional coverage and reimbursement information.

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.