



Medi-Cal Rx

# 90-Day Countdown: Reinstatement of Prior Authorization Requirements for Enteral Nutrition Claims for Members 22 Years of Age and Older

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## Background

The purpose of this alert is to notify pharmacy providers and prescribers that beginning November 9, 2023, prior authorization (PA) requirements will be reinstated for all enteral nutrition orders due to retirement of the Transition Policy for members 22 years of age and older. Submission of a new PA will be required effective November 9, 2023.

**Note:** As a reminder, on September 22, 2023, PA requirements for members 22 years of age and older will be reinstated for **new start** enteral nutrition orders.

## What Pharmacy Providers and Prescribers Need to Know

Beginning November 9, 2023, the Transition Policy will be retired for all enteral nutrition products for members 22 years of age and older. The retirement of the Transition Policy will reinstate PA requirements for all enteral nutrition products for members 22 years of age and older. As a result, claims that previously paid under the Transition Policy will now require a PA.

Requests for **new start** enteral nutrition products will be subject to PA requirements for members 22 years of age and older beginning September 22, 2023. Refer to the [90-Day Countdown: Reinstatement of Prior Authorization Requirements for Enteral Nutrition Products for Members 22 Years of Age and Older](#) alert for more information. Additionally, providers can begin PA submissions for enteral nutrition products on and after September 22, 2023.

Reinstatement of PA requirements for enteral nutrition products for members 21 years of age and younger will not occur prior to 2024

## What Pharmacy Providers and Prescribers Need to Do

Pharmacy providers and prescribers are encouraged to plan ahead. PAs can be submitted in advance of the retirement of the Transition Policy for enteral nutrition products for members 22 years of age and older, beginning September 22, 2023.

## Resources

- For more information about Medi-Cal Rx Reinstatement, visit the [Medi-Cal Rx Education & Outreach](#) page on the [Medi-Cal Rx Web Portal](#) and select **Medi-Cal Rx Reinstatement**.
- Review the [90-Day Countdown: Reinstatement of Prior Authorization Requirements for Enteral Nutrition Products for Members 22 Years of Age and Older](#) alert.
- Review the [Updates to the List of Contracted Enteral Nutrition Products, Effective July 1, 2023 and October 1, 2023](#) alert for a list of contracted enteral nutrition products.
- Review the [Medi-Cal Rx Phased Reinstatement Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\)](#).
- Refer to the *Enteral Nutrition Products* section in the [Medi-Cal Rx Provider Manual](#) for additional information and criteria guidelines.
- Refer to the [Medi-Cal Rx Bulletins & News](#) and [Medi-Cal Rx Forms & Information](#) pages of the [Medi-Cal Rx Web Portal](#) for guidance to successfully submit PAs.

## 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](mailto:MediCalRxEducationOutreach@magellanhealth.com).