



Reject Code 80 (Diagnosis) – Implementation Date Postponed

October 17, 2023

Background

The purpose of this alert is to provide an update to pharmacy providers and prescribers that **Reject Code 80 – Diagnosis Code Submitted Does Not Meet Drug Coverage Criteria** will not be reinstated on November 10, 2023, as previously announced.

What Pharmacy Providers and Prescribers Need to Know

On October 10, 2023, Medi-Cal Rx published an alert titled <u>30-Day Countdown: Phase IV, Lift 4:</u> <u>End of Transition Policy</u> informing pharmacy providers and prescribers that Reject Code 80 would be reinstated on November 10, 2023, for members 22 years of age and older.

Based upon stakeholder feedback, Medi-Cal Rx has decided to **postpone implementing Reject Code 80 on November 10, 2023**. This decision was made to reduce disruption and ensure safe and timely delivery of pharmacy benefits. Medi-Cal Rx will continue to engage with stakeholders on the reinstatement of Reject Code 80 and will provide notice at least 30 days in advance of an implementation date.

• The Enteral Nutrition Transition Policy for members 22 years of age and older will be retired on November 10, 2023.

Brand Medically Necessary (BMN) prior authorization (PA) requirements will be reinstated on November 10, 2023.

Contact Information

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Notes

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 <u>MediCalRxEducationOutreach@magellanhealth.com</u>.

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