

Medical Supplies: Updates to the Billing Policy for Contracted Blood Pressure Monitoring Devices and Cuffs

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Effective retroactive to January 1, 2024, the coordination of benefits (COB) billing policy for Medi-Cal Rx contracted blood pressure monitoring devices and cuffs has been updated in an effort to improve Medi-Cal Rx claim adjudication for dual eligible Medicare and Medi-Cal beneficiaries.

What Pharmacy Providers and Prescribers Need to Know

Pharmacy providers and prescribers should review the <u>List of Contracted Personal Blood</u> <u>Pressure Monitoring Devices and Blood Pressure Cuffs</u> to identify contracted product NDCs eligible for coverage via Medi-Cal Rx. The List also provides information regarding quantity and billing restrictions for these products. Claims submitted to Medi-Cal Rx for dual eligible Medicare and Medi-Cal beneficiaries for contracted blood pressure monitoring devices and cuffs may be billed directly to Medi-Cal Rx.

What Pharmacy Providers and Prescribers Need to Do

If after reviewing the List of Contracted Personal Blood Pressure Monitoring Devices and Blood Pressure Cuffs it is determined that:

- 1. The personal blood pressure monitoring device or cuff is found on the *List*, then pharmacy claims may be submitted for those products to Medi-Cal Rx.
 - a. For dual eligible Medicare and Medi-Cal beneficiaries, these products can be billed directly to Medi-Cal Rx without COB information.
 - b. Previously denied COB claims for contracted products with date of service (DOS) on and after January 1, 2024, should be resubmitted to Medi-Cal Rx.
 - c. Medi-Cal Rx claim utilization management (UM) edits may apply.
- The personal blood pressure monitoring device or cuff is **not** covered by Medi-Cal Rx, or coverage denied by Medi-Cal Rx, then medical claims for these products should be submitted to the member's Medi-Cal fee-for-service or the managed care plan (MCP) using a <u>CMS-1500 form</u> with the appropriate HCPCS code.

Resources

- List of Contracted Personal Blood Pressure Monitoring Devices and Blood Pressure Cuffs
- <u>Reminder Billing Tips: Non-Covered Medical Supplies</u>

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- DHCS Other Health Coverage
- Durable Medical Equipment (DME): Other DME Equipment
- Medi-Cal Managed Care Health Plan Directory

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@primetherapeutics.com.