

## Reminder: Populate Usual & Customary Charge Field When Submitting a Claim

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## Background

The purpose of this alert is to remind pharmacy providers to populate all required fields, including the Usual & Customary Charge field, when submitting a pharmacy claim. The *Payment Methodology for Covered Outpatient Drugs* section in <u>California's State Plan</u> <u>Amendment (SPA) 23-0043</u> defines "usual and customary charge" as the regular rates that providers charge both Medi-Cal members and other paying patients for the services furnished to them.

## What Pharmacy Providers Need to Do

- Populate all required fields including the Usual & Customary Charge field when submitting a pharmacy claim.
- Refer to the <u>NCPDP Payer Specification Sheet</u> and the <u>Medi-Cal Rx Provider Manual</u> for additional information regarding fields required for claim submission.
  - Note: Failure to correctly and completely fill out all necessary fields may result in denials when submitting claims and may also result in Medi-Cal Rx needing to perform a future mass claims adjustment.

## **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.