

Updates to the Medi-Cal Rx Provider Manual

February 1, 2025

The updates/additions below have been made to the Medi-Cal Rx Provider Manual.

Updates

Section	Update Description	Effective Date
Section 4.6.11 – Items Not Covered	 Added language, "Oral OTC vitamin-mineral combination products for individuals over 21 years of age, except those products listed in the Medi-Cal Rx Contract Drugs List – Over-the-Counter Drugs and Cough/Cold Preparations." Added language, "Oral legend vitamin-mineral combination products, excluding prenatal vitamin-mineral combinations intended for use during pregnancy." Removed "Vitamin combinations for people over five years of age (except for prenatal vitamin-mineral combination products for use during pregnancy) included in the CDL." 	February 1, 2025
Section 12.0 – Enteral Nutrition Products	Added sections to reference in bulleted list.	February 1, 2025
Section 12.1 – Noncovered Nutrition Products	 Added "blenderized" foods to the list of nutrition products not covered by Medi-Cal Rx. Removed "Combination vitamin and mineral products for members 22 years of age and older (except for prenatal vitamin-mineral combination products for use during pregnancy). Vitamins or mineral products used for dietary supplementation are not a benefit." 	February 1, 2025

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Section 12.2 – Covered Products	Refined language for the "Elemental and Semi-elemental" bullet.	February 1, 2025
Section 12.4 – Documentation Requirements	Refined height and weight language.	February 1, 2025
Section 12.5 – Authorization	Updated the daily caloric requirements for tube fed, orally fed and 22 years of age and older, orally fed and 21 years of age and younger, and infant products and younger than 1 year of age.	February 1, 2025
Section 12.5.2 – Specialized Products	 Expanded upon the requirements for modular products and modular carbohydrate or protein products. Expanded the Specialized Products Diagnosis Table. 	February 1, 2025
Section 12.5.3 – Elemental and Semi-Elemental Products Criteria	 Refined bulleted requirements language. Added language, "Note: Lactose intolerance alone is excluded unless documentation is included that supports a cow's milk protein allergy (CMPA)." 	February 1, 2025
Section 12.5.4 – Metabolic Products Criteria	Added language regarding requirements for ketogenic metabolic products and all other metabolic products.	February 1, 2025
Section 12.5.5 – Specialty Infant Products Criteria	Refined language regarding specialty infant products criteria.	February 1, 2025
Section 12.5.5.1 – Premature and Low Birth Weight Diagnosis	 Expanded upon the requirements for premature and low birth weight products. Added the <i>Premature and Low Birth Weight Diagnosis Table</i>. 	February 1, 2025
Section 12.5.5.2 – Human Milk Fortifier Products	 Refined authorization and diagnosis language. Added language, "PA approvals for these products will be limited to a length of authorization of 1 month only." 	February 1, 2025
Section 12.5.5.3 – Extensively Hydrolyzed Products (EH)	Added authorization and diagnosis language.	February 1, 2025

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	Added the Extensively Hydrolyzed Products (EH) Diagnosis Table.	
Section 12.5.5.4 – Amino Acid-Based (100 Percent) Products	 Added authorization, diagnosis, and requirements language. Added the Amino Acid-Based (100 Percent) Products Diagnosis Table. 	February 1, 2025
Section 12.5.5.5 – Renal Specialty Infant Products	 Added authorization and diagnosis language. Added the Renal Specialty Infant Products Diagnosis Table. 	February 1, 2025
Section 12.5.5.6 – Chylothorax or LCHAD Deficiency Specialty Infant Products	 Added authorization and diagnosis language. Added the Chylothorax or LCHAD Deficiency Specialty Infant Products Table. 	February 1, 2025
Section 12.6 – Enteral Nutrition Dispensing Quantity Limitations	 Added language, "Claims submitted for all enteral nutrition products will deny with Reject Code 76 – Plan Limitations Exceeded when the maximum quantity per dispensing and/or the maximum day supply per claim is exceeded." Expanded language regarding maximum quantity limits based on the maximum daily caloric limit. 	February 1, 2025
Section 12.7.1 – Medicare COB Claims (NEW!)	Added language that pharmacy claims for orally administered enteral nutrition products are not a covered benefit of Medicare Part B and may be submitted to Medi-Cal Rx.	February 1, 2025
Section 12.8 – Shortages and Product Interchangeability	Refined language in the bulleted Notes list.	February 1, 2025

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