

## Maximum Allowable Ingredient Cost 30-Day Pharmacy Provider Notice

September 1, 2025

## **What Pharmacy Providers Need to Know**

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) has contracted with Prime Therapeutics State Government Solutions LLC (Prime), who contracts with Mercer Government Human Services Consulting (Mercer), part of Mercer Health and Benefits, LLC, to establish and maintain a Maximum Allowable Ingredient Cost (MAIC) program for generic pharmaceutical drugs.

Rates will be effective October 1, 2025, and will be posted to the Mercer Medi-Cal Rx website no later than September 1, 2025.

## **What Pharmacy Providers Need to Do**

- Refer to the <u>Mercer Medi-Cal Rx website</u> for MAIC rate lists, MAIC program information, Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs), and contact information.
- To request a review of a MAIC rate for a specific drug, submit a request using the <u>Medi-Cal Rx Maximum Allowable Ingredient Cost Price Research Request (DHCS 6540)</u> form found on the <u>Mercer Medi-Cal Rx website</u> and the <u>Forms & Information</u> page on the <u>Medi-Cal Rx Web Portal</u>.

**Note:** All required fields on the form must be completed. Providers will be contacted for supporting documentation or other information, as necessary.

The primary method for pharmacy provider notifications for the MAIC and Annual Attestation Survey is via email and/or fax. It is important and recommended that pharmacy providers maintain accurate and consistent contact information across all organizations involved in pharmacy administration, including but not limited to NCPDP and Medi-Cal.

## **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.