

NCPDP Reject Code 80 and Diagnosis Documentation of Code 1 Restriction: Status Update

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As stated in the August 2022 alert, <u>Code 1 Documentation and Postponement of Implementation of NCPDP Reject Code 80</u>, Code 1 drugs require authorization in accordance with <u>California Code of Regulations</u> (CCR) Title 22, Section 51003, unless used under the conditions specified in the Contract Drugs List (CDL), and are subject to the prescription documentation requirements in CCR, Title 22, Section 51476(c). If the prescribed drug is subject to Code 1 restriction(s), pharmacy providers are to document the meeting of Code 1 restrictions and to keep that information readily available. However, because the system edits linked to **NCPDP Reject Code 80 – Diagnosis Code Submitted Does Not Meet Drug**Coverage Criteria have been suspended, providers are unable to know if and when a Code 1 restriction applies and are unable to obtain a prior authorization (PA) if the Code 1 is unmet. Therefore, Medi-Cal Rx has <u>not</u> reinstated Code 1 requirements, including documentation requirements, for products with a diagnosis restriction. Claims submitted to Medi-Cal Rx will <u>not</u> reject for Reject Code 80 at this time.

Until Reject Code 80 is reinstated and system functionality is operational, notifying pharmacy providers that a Code 1 is applicable and allowing a PA to be submitted if Code 1 is not met, providers are instructed to proceed with filling the prescription even if the Code 1 restriction is unmet.

Providers will be notified when the Reject Code 80 system functionality is reinstituted and Code 1 documentation, or an approved PA, will be required.

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.

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