

THIS CA UPDATE HAS BEEN SENT TO THE FOLLOWING:**COUNTIES:**

- Imperial
- Riverside/San Bernardino
- Los Angeles
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- San Diego

LINES OF BUSINESS:

- Molina Medi-Cal Managed Care
- Molina Medicare
- Molina Marketplace (Covered CA)

PROVIDER TYPES:

- Medical Group/ IPA/MSO**
 - Primary Care**
 - IPA/MSO
 - Directs
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 - Directs
 - IPA
- Hospitals**
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 - CBAS
 - SNF/LTC
 - DME
 - Home Health
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UPDATE: Medi-Cal Rx Office Hours with Managed Care Plans

This is an advisory notification to Molina Healthcare of California (MHC) network providers with educational outreach from the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) for Phase IV, Lift 1 of the Medi-Cal Rx reinstatement plan.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

The DHCS is in the process of transitioning all Medi-Cal pharmacy services from Managed Care (MC) to fee-for-service. The Medi-Cal pharmacy benefits and services administered by DHCS in the fee-for-service delivery system is identified as "Medi-Cal Rx." Medi-Cal Rx includes all pharmacy services billed as a pharmacy claim, such as:

- Outpatient drugs (prescription and over-the-counter), including Physician-Administered Drugs (PADs)
- Enteral nutrition products
- Medical supplies

Medi-Cal Rx did not change:

- The scope of the existing Medi-Cal pharmacy benefit
- Providing pharmacy services as part of a bundled/all-inclusive billing structure in an inpatient or long-term care setting
- Existing Medi-Cal managed care pharmacy carve-outs (e.g., blood factor, HIV/AIDS drugs, antipsychotics, or drugs used to treat substance use disorder)
- The State Fair Hearing process

WHEN THIS IS HAPPENING:

Medi-Cal Rx is moving forward with reinstatement for members 22 years of age and older with the initiation of Phase IV through a series of lifts impacting claim utilization management (UM) edits (such as age limits, labeler restrictions, quantity limits, diagnosis, etc.). On August 4, 2023, Phase IV, Lift 1 (P4/L1) will be the first lift impacting claim UM edits for members 22 years of age and older.

WHAT YOU NEED TO DO:

For the latest information on reinstatement plans for Phases II, III, and IV, please visit the Medi-Cal Rx Education & Outreach page and select the "Reinstatement" tab: <https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/home/education/>.

The website links below are additional resources to support Providers through this transition.

Medi-Cal Rx Bulletin & News

- 90-Day Countdown – Reinstatement of Prior Authorization Requirements for Enteral Nutrition Claims for Members 22 Years of Age and Older (Released 8/9/23): https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/cms/medicalrx/static-assets/documents/provider/bulletins/2023.08_A_90-Day_Countdown_Reinstatement_PA_Requirements_Enteral_Nutrition_Claims_Members22Years_Older.pdf
- Reinstatement Spotlight (Released 8/4/2023): https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/cms/medicalrx/static-assets/documents/provider/bulletins/2023.08_WN_Reinstatement_Spotlight_August_4.pdf
- Prior Authorization Submission Using the Electronic Health Record to Initiate an Electronic Prior Authorization Request via CoverMyMeds®: https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/cms/medicalrx/static-assets/documents/provider/bulletins/2023.08_A_PA_Submission_Using_EHR_ePA_CoverMyMeds.pdf
- Recommencement of Pharmacy Retroactive Claim Adjustments in August 2023: https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/cms/medicalrx/static-assets/documents/provider/bulletins/2023.07_A_Recommencement_Retroactive_Claim_Adjustments_August.pdf
- Reminder: Medi-Cal Rx Billing Policy for Physician Administered Drugs: https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/cms/medicalrx/static-assets/documents/provider/bulletins/2023.07_A_Reminder_Billing_Policy_Physician_Administered_Drugs.pdf
- Medi-Cal Rx Monthly Bulletin for August: https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/cms/medicalrx/static-assets/documents/provider/bulletins/2023.08_B_Monthly_Bulletin.pdf
- Reminder: Fiscal Year Two-Week Fee-for-Service Hold for Specific Provider Payments: https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/cms/medicalrx/static-assets/documents/provider/bulletins/2023.06_A_Reminder_Fiscal_Year_2-Week_FFS_Hold_Specific_Provider_Payments.pdf
- Medi-Cal Rx Check-write Schedule – State Fiscal Year 2023-24 Available: https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/cms/medicalrx/static-assets/documents/provider/bulletins/2023.06_A_Checkwrite_Schedule_Fiscal_Year2023-24_Available.pdf
- Updates to the List of Contracted Personal Blood Pressure Monitoring Devices and Blood Pressure Cuffs, Effective July 1, 2023, and October 1, 2023: https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/cms/medicalrx/static-assets/documents/provider/bulletins/2023.06_A_Updates_to_List_Contracted_Personal_BP_Devices_Cuffs.pdf
- Updates to the List of Contracted Enteral Nutrition Products, Effective July 1, 2023, and October 1, 2023: https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/cms/medicalrx/static-assets/documents/provider/bulletins/2023.06_A_Updates_to_List_of_Contracted_Enteral_Nutrition_Products.pdf
- Changes to the Medi-Cal Rx Contract Drug List (Released 8/1/23): https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/cms/medicalrx/static-assets/documents/provider/bulletins/2023.08_A_Changes_to_the_CD_L.pdf
- Changes to the Medi-Cal Rx Contract Drug List – Authorized Drug Manufacturer Labeler Codes (Released 8/1/23): https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/cms/medicalrx/static-assets/documents/provider/bulletins/2023.08_A_CD_L_Authorized_Drug_Manufacturer_Labeler_Codes.pdf
- Updates to the Medi-Cal Rx Provider Manual (Released 7/1/23): https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/cms/medicalrx/static-assets/documents/provider/bulletins/2023.07_A_Updates_to_the_Provider_Manual.pdf
- List of Medications Eligible for an Extended Duration Prior Authorization: https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/cms/medicalrx/static-assets/documents/provider/bulletins/2023.05_A_Medications_Eligible_for_Extended_Duration_Prior_Authorization.pdf
- Medi-Cal Rx Reinstatement of Prior Authorizations and Retirement of the Transition Policy (Phases II, III, and IV): https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/cms/medicalrx/static-assets/documents/education-and-outreach/Sliddeck_PA_Reinstatement_and_Transition_Policy_Retirement_Phases_II_III_IV.pdf
- Medi-Cal Rx Phase II and Preparing for Phase III Transition Policy Retirement – Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs): https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/cms/medicalrx/static-assets/documents/faq/Reinstatement_Plan_Phase_II_FAQ.pdf
- Medi-Cal Rx Reinstatement Webinar – Occurs every Friday at 12 p.m. PT. There is no registration required and will provide information specific to Phase IV, Lift 1 reinstatement prior authorization (PA) requirements for beneficiaries 22 years of age and older, as well as discussions about the submission of PAs in advance of the retirement of the Transition Policy – <https://magellanhealth.zoom.us/j/97143651361?pwd=Vk1mckZWtUJvRC9CY2x5MklkTFJsZz09#success>

Need more information about Medi-Cal Rx?

The Medi-Cal Rx Customer Service Center (CSC) is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and 365 days a year! Call the CSC at 1-800-977-2273 for help with claim denials, prior authorization status, account password and unlock assistance, beneficiary support, and other inquiries about Medi-Cal Rx. For general information, check out the following resources:

- Medi-Cal Rx Web Portal: <https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/home/>
- Daily live Office Hours for Providers from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM PST: <https://magellanhealth.zoom.us/j/97143651361?pwd=Vk1mckZWtUJvRC9CY2x5MkluTFJsZz09#success>
- Medi-Cal Rx List of Resources: https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/cms/medicalrx/static-assets/documents/provider/bulletins/2022.04_A_Medi-CalRx_List_of_Resources.pdf
- Medi-Cal Rx Subscription Service (MCRxSS) sign-up: <https://mcrxsspages.dhcs.ca.gov/Medi-CalRxDHCSca.gov-Subscription-Sign-Up>

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