



Inland Empire Health Plan

PHARMACY TIMES

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DHCS Medi-Cal Rx Update:

Postponement of Implementation of NCPDP Reject Code 80

Dear IEHP Pharmacy Provider,

Please note that this update applies to IEHP Medi-Cal Members only (and does not apply to IEHP DualChoice Cal MediConnect Members).

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) has elected to postpone implementation of the National Council for Prescription Drug Programs (NCPDP) **Reject Code 80 - Diagnosis Code Submitted Does Not Meet Drug Coverage Criteria**. While providers are reminded of their obligation to document the meeting of Code 1 restrictions and to keep that information readily available, claims submitted to Medi-Cal Rx will NOT be edited for a diagnosis code as planned to begin July 22, 2022.

Please note: Other claim edits for Drug Utilization Review (DUR) requirements will be reinstated, as planned, effective July 22, 2022. Specifically, NCPDP Reject Code 88 - DUR alerts such as drug-drug interactions, high dose, early refill, etc., will be in effect and will generate either claim rejection or informational claim messages that pharmacies may need to address for claim adjudication.

If you have any questions on this update or other DHCS communications, please:

- Visit the Medi-Cal Rx Bulletins & News site at <https://med-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/provider/pharmacy-news/> or
- Contact 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 a year.
- You can also submit questions via email to Medi-Cal Rx Education & Outreach at MediCalRxEducationOutreach@magellanhealth.com.

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