



State of Louisiana

Louisiana Department of Health
Bureau of Health Services Financing

MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 14, 2018

TO: All Louisiana Medicaid Prescribing Providers and Pharmacists

FROM: Jen Steele, Medicaid Director

SUBJECT: Louisiana Medicaid Fee for Service (FFS) Pharmacy Diagnosis Code Requirement at Point of Sale (POS) for Ocrelizumab (Ocrevus®)

Effective August 28, 2018, the Louisiana Medicaid Fee for Service Pharmacy Program in collaboration with the Louisiana Medicaid Drug Utilization Review (LADUR) Board will implement diagnosis code requirements at Point of Sale (POS) for ocrelizumab (Ocrevus®).

All pharmacy claims for ocrelizumab (Ocrevus®) require a diagnosis code entered in **NCPDP field 424-DO (Diagnosis Code)**. The acceptable diagnosis code is listed in the chart.

Medication	Diagnosis Description	ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Code
Ocrevus®	relapsing or primary progressive forms of multiple sclerosis	G35

*any number or letter or combination of UP TO FOUR numbers and letters of an assigned ICD-10-CM diagnosis code

Pharmacy claims for ocrelizumab (Ocrevus®) submitted without an acceptable diagnosis code or missing diagnosis code will deny with:

NCPDP reject code 39 (Missing or Invalid Diagnosis Code) mapped to **EOB code 575** (Missing or Invalid Diagnosis Code).

When the prescribing practitioner does not indicate a diagnosis code on the prescription and when the prescriber cannot be reached, a denial for a missing diagnosis code may be overridden if the pharmacist determines that the recipient cannot wait to receive the medication.

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The pharmacist may override the denial by:

entering “03” in **NCPDP field 418-DI** (Level of Service) specifying an emergency.

The pharmacist must document the emergency override on the hardcopy prescription or in the pharmacy’s electronic recordkeeping system.

If you have questions about the content of this memo, you may contact the FFS pharmacy help desk by phone at (800) 437-9101.

If you have questions about pharmacy claims billing, you may contact Molina by phone at (800) 648-0790.

Please forward this notice to other providers to assist with notification. Your continued cooperation and support of the Louisiana Medicaid Program efforts to coordinate care and improve health are greatly appreciated.

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c: Healthy Louisiana Plans
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