



**State of Louisiana**  
Louisiana Department of Health  
Bureau of Health Services Financing

**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** October 17, 2018

**TO:** All Louisiana Medicaid Prescribing Providers and Pharmacists

**FROM:** Jen Steele, Medicaid Director

**SUBJECT:** Louisiana Medicaid Fee for Service (FFS) Pharmacy Point of Sale (POS) Quantity Limit for Epinephrine Injection (Generic, EpiPen®, and EpiPen Jr®)

Effective October 24, 2018, the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) Pharmacy Program in collaboration with the Louisiana Medicaid Drug Utilization Review (LADUR) Board will implement a Point of Sale (POS) quantity limit for epinephrine injection (Generic, EpiPen®, and EpiPen Jr®).

**Quantity Limit**

Pharmacy claims for epinephrine injection (Generic, EpiPen®, and EpiPen Jr®) will be subject to the quantity limits listed in the following chart.

Medication	Quantity Limit
Epipen® (Brand and Generic) Epipen Jr® (Brand and Generic)	4 boxes of 2 syringes (8 syringes total) per rolling 365 days

Pharmacy claims which exceed the quantity limits will deny with:

**NCPDP rejection error 76 (Quantity and/or days supply exceed program maximum)  
mapped to:**

**EOB code 457 (Quantity and/or days supply exceeds program maximum).**

Override provisions are available if deemed medically necessary by the prescriber.

FFS Pharmacy POS Edits for Epinephrine (Generic, EpiPen, and EpiPen Jr.)

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The pharmacist may override the claim denial after consultation with the prescriber by submitting the following:

**NCPDP 439-E4 field (Reason for Service Code) EX (Excessive Quantity)**

**NCPDP 440-E5 field (Professional Service Code) M0 (Prescriber Consulted)**

**NCPDP 441-E6 field (Result of Service Code) 1G (Filled with Prescriber Approval)**

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 the Molina pharmacy help desk 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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