

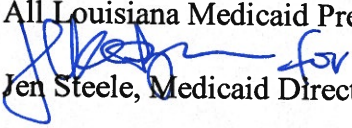


**State of Louisiana**  
Louisiana Department of Health  
Bureau of Health Services Financing

**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** July 5, 2018

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

**FROM:**  Jen Steele, Medicaid Director

**SUBJECT:** Louisiana Medicaid Fee for Service (FFS) and Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) Pharmacy Diagnosis Code Requirement at Point of Sale (POS) for Eculizumab (Soliris®) and Paroxetine Mesylate (Brisdelle®)

Effective August 1, 2018, the Louisiana Medicaid Drug Utilization Review (LADUR) will implement diagnosis code requirements at Point of Sale (POS) for eculizumab (Soliris®) and paroxetine mesylate (Brisdelle®). As a reminder, the LADUR Program includes Fee for Service and MCOs (Aetna, AmeriHealth Caritas, Healthy Blue, Louisiana Healthcare Connections, and United Healthcare).

**Diagnosis Code Requirement**

The acceptable diagnosis codes for eculizumab (Soliris®) and paroxetine mesylate (Brisdelle®) are listed in the chart.

Medication	Diagnosis Description	ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Code*
Eculizumab (Soliris®)	Hemolytic-uremic syndrome	D59.3
	Paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria [Marchiafava-Micheli]	D59.5
	Myasthenia Gravis	G70.0
Paroxetine (Brisdelle®)	Moderate to severe vasomotor symptoms associated with menopause	E28.310
		E89.41
		N95.1

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

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Pharmacy claims submitted without an acceptable diagnosis code will deny with:

**NCPDP reject code 39** (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. 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 the appropriate plan at their pharmacy help desk listed in the chart below.

<b>Healthcare Provider</b>	<b>Pharmacy Help Desk</b>	<b>Pharmacy Help Desk Phone Number</b>
Aetna	CVS Health	(855) 364-2977
AmeriHealth Caritas	PerformRx	(800) 684-5502
Fee for Service	Molina	(800) 648-0790
Healthy Blue	Express Scripts	(844) 367-6111
Louisiana Healthcare Connections	CVS Caremark	(800) 311-0543
United Healthcare	Optum Rx	(866) 328-3108

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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