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## Opioid Safety Edit Review

Effective Jan. 01, 2019, Express Scripts implemented CMS opioid safety edits. The NCPDP Reject, Reason for Service Code, Professional Service Code and Result of Service Code (override capabilities) are listed below.

NCPDP Reject 88 “DUR Reject Error” is a health and safety edit. Pharmacists may use their professional judgment in determining whether the reject can be overridden. **Please note: the use of these overrides must be documented on the prescription and is subject to audit for correct usage.**

Opioid Naïve		
Reject code 88 “DUR Reject Error” and 925 “Initial Fill Days Supply Exceeds Limits” and 569 *		
Reason for Service Code	Professional Service Code	Result of Service Code
MX	M0 – Prescriber Consulted	<b>4B</b> – Dispensed, Palliative Care <b>4D</b> – Dispensed, Cancer Treatment <b>4J</b> – Dispensed, Patient is Not Opioid Naïve
MX	R0 – Pharmacist Consulted Other Source	<b>4B</b> – Dispensed, Palliative Care, <b>4D</b> – Dispensed, Cancer Treatment, <b>4J</b> – Dispensed, Patient is Not Opioid Naïve

\* NCPDP Reject 569 is “Provide Notice: Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage And Your Rights”.

Hard Safety > 200 MME		
Reject code 88 “DUR Reject Error”, 922 “Morphine Equivalent Dose Exceeds Limits” and 569 *		
Reason for Service Code	Professional Service Code	Result of Service Code
HC	M0 – Prescriber Consulted	<b>4B</b> – Dispensed, Palliative Care <b>4D</b> – Dispensed, Cancer Treatment
HC	R0 – Pharmacist Consulted Other Source	<b>4B</b> – Dispensed, Palliative Care <b>4D</b> – Dispensed, Cancer Treatment

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Soft Safety Care Coordination ≥90 MME		
Reject code 88 “DUR Reject Error” and 569 *		
Reason for Service Code	Professional Service Code	Result of Service Code
HC	M0 – Prescriber Consulted	<b>1G</b> – Dispensed, with Prescriber Approval <b>4B</b> – Dispensed, Palliative Care <b>4D</b> – Dispensed, Cancer Treatment
HC	R0 – Pharmacist Consulted Other Source	<b>4B</b> – Dispensed, Palliative Care <b>4D</b> – Dispensed, Cancer Treatment

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Duplicative Long Acting Opioids		
Reject code 88 “DUR Reject Error” and 569 *		
Reason for Service Code	Professional Service Code	Result of Service Code
TD	M0 – Prescriber Consulted	<b>4B</b> – Dispensed, Palliative Care <b>4D</b> – Dispensed, Cancer Treatment <b>1A</b> – Filled as is, false positive <b>1B</b> – Filled as is <b>1C</b> – Filled with a different dose <b>1D</b> – Filled with different directions <b>1E</b> – Filled, with a different drug <b>1F</b> – Filled, with a different quantity <b>1G</b> – Filled, with prescriber approval
TD	R0 – Pharmacist Consulted Other Source	
TD	PE – Patient Education/Instruction	
TD	P0 – Patient Consulted	

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Opioid/Benzodiazepine		
Reject code 88 “DUR Reject Error” and 569 *		
Reason for Service Code	Professional Service Code	Result of Service Code
DD	M0 – Prescriber Consulted	<b>1G</b> – Dispensed, with Prescriber Approval <b>4B</b> – Dispensed, Palliative Care <b>4D</b> – Dispensed, Cancer Treatment
DD	R0 – Pharmacist Consulted Other Source	<b>4B</b> – Dispensed, Palliative Care <b>4D</b> – Dispensed, Cancer Treatment

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CMS recently released the “[2019 Medicare Part D Opioid Policies: Information for Pharmacies](#)” tip sheet to assist pharmacists in their role around the opioid safety edits.

If you need a member’s specific prescription processing information or other help with a claim, please visit our [Pharmacist Resource Center](#).