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## PROVIDER ALERT

To: Health Plan of San Joaquin/Mountain Valley Health Plan  
("Health Plan") Skilled Nursing Facilities  
From: Health Plan  
Type: Informational/Educational  
Subject: Medi-Cal Pharmacy (Rx) - Coordination of Benefits (COB) Billing  
Updates for Skilled Nursing Facilities  
Business: Medi-Cal Managed Care and Medicare Advantage D-SNP

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**Effective May 8, 2026**, diabetic testing supplies, such as blood glucose test strips and lancets, are covered under Medicare Part B only when used in the member's home. Members residing in a Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) do not meet the definition of "home". Therefore, diabetic testing supplies for dual eligible Medicare and Medi-Cal members residing in SNFs are to be billed to and covered by Medi-Cal Rx.

### **Pharmacies**

This applies to dual eligible Medicare and Medi-Cal members residing in SNFs. Claims submission with a date of service on or after October 1, 2025 should be billed directly to Medi-Cal Rx.

- Enter the Patient Residence Code 2 (Skilled Nursing Facility)
- Refer to the "List of Contracted Diabetic Testing Supplies" on the "Contract Drugs & Covered Products Lists" page on the Medi-Cal Rx Web Portal at: <https://www.medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/home/cdl/>
- Prior Authorization (PA) submission may be required. You may submit a PA via one of the following methods from this weblink: [https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/cms/medicalrx/static-assets/documents/provider/bulletins/2022.05\\_A\\_PA\\_Submission\\_Reminders.pdf](https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/cms/medicalrx/static-assets/documents/provider/bulletins/2022.05_A_PA_Submission_Reminders.pdf)

Further details and resources can be found via this Medi-Cal Rx weblink: [https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/cms/medicalrx/static-assets/documents/provider/2026/04\\_A\\_Coming\\_Soon\\_COB\\_Billing\\_Process\\_Updates\\_SNF.pdf](https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/cms/medicalrx/static-assets/documents/provider/2026/04_A_Coming_Soon_COB_Billing_Process_Updates_SNF.pdf)

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