

Instructions to Propose Drug Additions to the AB 97 Drug Exemption List

Providers should follow the steps below to propose additional drugs or categories of drugs for addition to the current proposed AB 97 drug exemption list. For a drug product or category of drug product to be considered for addition to the initial AB 97 exempted drug list, drug exemption application requests must be received by DHCS postmarked no later than March 31, 2014.

AB 97 drug exemption application requests received postmarked after March 31, 2014 shall be considered by DHCS as updates to the initial AB 97 exempted drug list. Updates to the AB 97 exempted drug list shall be retroactively implemented to the first day of the calendar quarter in which the AB 97 drug exemption application was postmarked (mail) or received (fax or email) by DHCS.

Step 1

Review the complete [List of AB 97 Exempted Drugs](#). (MS Excel format)

If the proposed drug is not on the list, then go to step 2.

Step 2

Download and complete the [California AB 97 Pharmacy Drug Exemption Application Form \(MC 3153 rev03/14\)](#)

Step 3

Submit the completed AB 97 Pharmacy Drug Exemption Application form and supporting documentation (verifiable document showing actual provider cost) using one of the following methods:

E-mail to: ab97pharmacy@dhcs.ca.gov

FAX: 916-552-9563

AB97 Pharmacy Program
MS 4604
P.O. Box 997413
Sacramento, CA 95899-7413

AB 97 Pharmacy Drug Exemption Application Forms that are received incomplete or lack supporting documentation shall be deferred for consideration until a completed form with supporting documentation has been received by DHCS. If DHCS determines a change in the exemption status of a specific drug product or category of product is warranted, providers will be notified in the next monthly provider bulletin.