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Enteral Nutrition Product Tools REVISED

There are several tools that can be used for case management when authorizing enteral nutrition products. These tools are located on the CCS webpage, [SAR Tools](#). Each tool is presented in PDF format or is a link to the Medi-Cal Provider Manual (a Word document). Instructions on how to search a PDF file are footnoted at the bottom of this document.¹ The tools include:

1. [Restricted Drug & Enteral Products' Billing Units Tool](#)

This tool lists "Package Sizes" and "Billing Units" needed for accurate coding of the "quantity" field for authorizations. This list is NOT intended to provide a list of enteral nutrition products for authorization; its sole purpose is to identify billing units.

2. [CCS Restricted Enteral Nutrition Product List](#)

This is an enteral nutrition product spreadsheet; it contains expanded reference information for CCS authorizations. This tool may be used as a quick on-line reference or it may be printed as a hard copy. For easier reading, you may increase the size of the font (on-line) by using the zoom button.

The following information is provided for each product:

- Enteral nutrition product name
- Classification of product according to CCS NL 22-0805
- Targeted age group
- Common indications
- Product form
- Quantity per unit and case
- Product flavors
- Product number (those currently in CMSNet)
- Name of manufacturer (website addresses listed for more product information)

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To use this tool, start with the product name and product number provided by the pharmacy vendor to locate and verify product information. Product numbers listed in the tool are consistent with product numbers in **CMSNet**. Please contact Edan Lum, CMS Pharmacist for assistance (see email address below), if the product and product number provided by the pharmacy vendor is not in the system. This tool does not include products that are not restricted.

Product information may become outdated at any time as the manufacturer makes product changes, such as reformulations, re-sizing cans, product discontinuances and the addition of new products. The enteral nutrition product listing will be reviewed **periodically** in an attempt to monitor changes and make necessary updates that are compatible with the system.

3. Nutrition Related Products That Are Not Restricted

This list is intended to list products that are not restricted and often are confused with restricted products. Providers can claim for these using SCG 01 or 02.

4. Regular Infant Formulas-Medi-Cal Non-Benefit Status List

This is a list of regular infant formulas which are **no longer a benefit of Medi-Cal or CCS**. Do not authorize these products. However, highlighted formulas on this list are available from the WIC Supplemental Nutrition Program (WIC) and can be obtained when the infant/child is eligible for WIC. This list will be reviewed and updated **periodically**.

5. Enteral Nutrition: List of Contracted Products Available (list begins page 3)

This link will take you to the Medi-Cal Provider Manual's section on contracted enteral products available for authorization. If a product is in a category that has undergone the contracting process but is not listed, it has not been contracted for and therefore becomes a non-benefit item. Contracted categories are listed under the manufacturer's name. Products in categories not yet contracted will not be listed; however, they remain a benefit. This document is in MSWord.

If you have any questions about these tools, please contact the CMS Nutrition Consultant or Edan Lum, Pharm D., CMS Pharmacy Consultant at edan.lum@dhcs.ca.gov.

ⁱ To search a PDF or Word document:

Click on the menu key labeled "Edit" at the top of the screen. Choose "Find". A window will open. Enter the search criteria and then hit the enter key on your keyboard. Click on "Find Next" until you find the match you are looking for. Close the window when you are done.

To search an excel spreadsheet:

Hit the "Search" button (binocular) and a second window will open on the screen. Enter the search criteria, either the product number or a specific word or phrase. You do not need to completely enter the product number, word or phrase. Hit the "Find All" or "Find Next" button.