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Reminder: Blood Factor and Factor Products Must Be Separately Authorized

It has come to our attention that some California Children's Services (CCS) programs are instructing providers to use their Service Code Group (SCG) Service Authorization Requests (SARs) to claim for physician administered blood factor and factor products. This is incorrect guidance. Blood factor and factor products are on the restricted drug table and must be authorized separately.

The CCS restricted drug table is on page 6 of this link to the Medi-Cal Manual:

http://files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/publications/masters-mtp/part2/calchidsar_m00i00o03o04o07o09o11a02a04a05a06a07a08p00v00.doc

The Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes for factor and factor products change periodically, so the best source for the current codes is page 1 of this link to the Medi-Cal Manual:

http://files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/publications/masters-mtp/part2/blood_m01o03o04p00.doc

If you did not give a separate SAR for blood factor or factor products to a physician, Special Care Center, hospital outpatient department, or clinic, you will need to do this in order for the provider to be paid for the service.