

Physician-Administered Drugs (Rebate Policy Update)

UnitedHealthcare Community of Louisiana (UHC) is sharing IB 25-32: Physician-Administered Drugs (Rebate Policy Update) on behalf of the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH). The MCO Manual update published on April 23, 2025, limits coverage of physician-administered drugs to those eligible for federal rebates. This requirement applies only to drug claims submitted for direct reimbursement.

Physician-administered drugs provided in outpatient hospital settings, where payment is calculated using a hospital-specific cost-to-charge ratio, are exempt from this requirement.

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The following coverage guidelines will be incorporated into the next MCO Manual update as soon as possible:

- MCOs shall cover only medically necessary, rebate-eligible physician-administered drugs for claims involving direct reimbursement.
- All drugs listed on the Louisiana Medicaid Fee-for-Service (FFS) fee schedules must be covered as a medical benefit.
- MCOs may also choose to cover these drugs under the pharmacy benefit.
- For rebate-eligible drugs not listed on the Louisiana Medicaid FFS fee schedules, MCOs may elect to cover them under the medical benefit, pharmacy benefit, or both.

LDH has published Informational Bulletin 25-32 for your reference IB25-32.pdf.

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