

Drug Use Review (DUR) Alert: Drug-Allergy Conflict

Description:	The drug-allergy screening system uses beneficiary-specific allergy information from the Medi-Cal beneficiary history file to alert pharmacists when newly submitted drug claims contain ingredients with significant potential to cause an allergic reaction. Allergy information is accessed from the beneficiary's medical and hospital paid claims containing ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes for external causes (codes beginning with S00 – T88 or V00 – Y99).
Alert(s):	DA – Drug-Allergy Conflict
Message(s):	Previous [drug name] allergy identified
Manual Drug Use Review (DUR) Protocol:	Pharmacists performing DUR manually must maintain beneficiary medication records, including known allergies. Prior to dispensing a target drug, the ingredients must be screened against the beneficiary's known allergy history.
References:	<i>United States Pharmacopeia Drug Information</i> (USP DI) <i>American Hospital Formulary Service Drug Information</i> (AHFS DI) Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Global Medi-Cal DUR Board

Note: Proprietary pharmacy software for prescription processing systems may display DUR alerts in different formats. Examples are provided to acquaint the pharmacist with the standard content of Medi-Cal's DUR messages that may be different from the message displayed on the pharmacist's computer terminal.