

Memorandum

To: Gold Coast Health Plan Providers

From: Lily Yip, Pharm.D., APh, CDCES, BCACP, Director of Pharmacy Services

Re: **Medi-Cal Physician Administered Drugs (PAD) List Changes**

Date: Nov. 24, 2025

Medi-Cal Physician administered drugs (PAD) through Gold Coast Health Plan's (GCHP) Medical Drug Benefit include all infused, injectable drugs provided or administered to a member that is billed by a provider on a medical claim by a Procedure Code (e.g., J-Code). Certain PADs require prior authorization (PA) to ensure medical necessity prior to receiving the drug therapy. Any request for a PAD via Procedure Code requiring a PA, administered at a provider's office or infusion / hospital facility, must be submitted as a treatment authorization request using the Prior Authorization Treatment Request Form.

GCHP, with direction from the state Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) and the Pharmacy & Therapeutics (P&T) Committee, updates the PAD List quarterly. This notice is to inform you of the approved changes from the Nov. 13, 2025, P&T Committee meeting, which will be effective March 1, 2026.

The current PAD List is posted on the Medi-Cal Physician Administered Drugs (PAD) page of the GCHP website. An updated Medi-Cal PAD list, with the changes below and clinical guidelines, is scheduled to be posted on the GCHP website by March 1, 2026.

Changes to the Medi-Cal PAD List, effective March 1, 2026:

HPCPS	Generic Name	Brand Name	Changes
J0177	aflibercept hd	Eylea HD	Added.
J0202	alemtuzumab	Lemtrada	Added.
J0589	daxibotulinumtoxina-lanm	Daxxify	Added.
J1823	inebilizumab-cdon	Uplizna	Added.
J2267	mirikizumab-mrkz	Omvo	Added.
Q5151	eculizumab-aagh	Epysqli	Added.
Q5152	eculizumab-aeeb	Bkemv	Added.
J2356	tezepelumab	Tezspire	Removed – self injectable formulation only. Submit to Medi-Cal Rx Pharmacy Benefit.

Removed – The medication is removed from the PAD list and PA is not needed.

Added – The medication is added to the PAD list and PA is needed.

If you have any questions, please contact GCHP's Pharmacy Services Department at Pharmacy@goldchp.org.