

# PHARMACY *update*

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## GREEN SHIELD CANADA (GSC) INTEGRATES PROGRAMS WITH BRITISH COLUMBIA CENTRE FOR EXCELLENCE IN HIV/AIDS

Effective May 1, 2017, GSC will begin enforcing drug plan coordination requirements more closely on behalf of our plan sponsors. If a benefit is eligible through a government program and that program is the primary payor, then it must be accessed through the provincial government plan first before being eligible under a GSC benefits plan.

The British Columbia Centre for Excellence in HIV/AIDS (BC-CfE) Drug Treatment Program is a provincial government program that provides access to drugs for the management of HIV/AIDS to medically eligible patients. Individuals who meet the criteria for the BC-CfE Drug Treatment Program, receive their medication from an authorized pharmacy free of charge. Information about this program can be found at [cfenet.ubc.ca/drug-treatment-program](http://cfenet.ubc.ca/drug-treatment-program).

When adjudicating for a drug available from the program, the claim will deny and the pharmacy will receive a CPhA message “QQ” – drug ineligible – specialty program drug. The pharmacy should then check to see whether the plan member is eligible for treatment under the BC-CfE Drug Treatment Program.

Any plan member qualifying for the BC-CfE program should receive treatment under that program. However, if the plan member does not qualify for the program, then an intervention code “DY” – not eligible for Prov Plan Coverage should be used. For audit purposes, hard copies should document why the intervention code was used.

Scenario	Action
Plan member <b>may be eligible</b> for treatment from the BC-CfE Drug Treatment Program.	Plan member to apply and receive medication from BC-CfE Drug Treatment Program.
Plan member <b>does not qualify</b> for treatment from the BC-CfE Drug Treatment Program.	Use intervention code DY – not eligible for Prov Plan Coverage. Keep hard-copy documentation for audit.
Medication is not being used for HIV/AIDS treatment.	Use intervention code DY – not eligible for Prov Plan Coverage should be used. Keep hard-copy documentation for audit.