

**Medicaid Outpatient Drugs Coverage  
Excluded Drug Coverage Information By State  
November 2009**

**CALIFORNIA**

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**DESCRIPTION**

This chart provides information on excluded drug coverage for this State. If additional information is required, please see the address for the State Medicaid Agency's website.

**MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY**

This State provides coverage for the Categorically Needy and Medically Needy.

**EXCLUDED DRUG COVERAGE**

Drugs when used for anorexia, weight loss, weight gain

*All*

Drugs when used to promote fertility

*None*

Drugs when used for cosmetic purposes or hair growth

*None*

Drugs when used for the symptomatic relief of cough and colds

*All*

Prescription vitamins and mineral products

*Some*

The state covers select prescription vitamins and minerals pursuant to prior authorization or utilization restrictions. Combination vitamin and mineral products are not covered. Vitamins or minerals used for dietary supplementation are not covered.

Nonprescription drugs (Over-the-Counter)

*All*

Barbiturates (drugs used before surgery to relieve anxiety or tension, to help control seizures in certain disorders or diseases, sometimes used to relieve nervousness or restlessness during the daytime)

*All*

Benzodiazepines (drugs used to relieve anxiety, treat insomnia (trouble in sleeping), or help relax muscles or relieve muscle spasms)

*All*

Smoking Cessation (except dual eligibles as Part D will cover)

*None*

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**STATE WEBSITE**

[http://files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/manual/man\\_query.asp?wSearch=%28%23filename+drugscdl%2A%2Edoc+OR+%23filename+drugscdl%2A%2Ezip%29&wFLogo=Contract+Drugs+List&wFLogoH=52&wFLogoW=516&wAlt=Contract+Drugs+List&wPath=N](http://files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/manual/man_query.asp?wSearch=%28%23filename+drugscdl%2A%2Edoc+OR+%23filename+drugscdl%2A%2Ezip%29&wFLogo=Contract+Drugs+List&wFLogoH=52&wFLogoW=516&wAlt=Contract+Drugs+List&wPath=N)