



# PROVIDER QUICK TIPS

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## DIAGNOSIS CODES ARE REQUIRED ON MOST\* MEDICAL ASSISTANCE (MA) CLAIMS

\*NCPDP Drug claims, Dental and Waiver are exempt from this requirement

The Department of Public Welfare (DPW) reminds providers, as per our published billing guides, that a diagnosis is required on all MA claims submitted for payment.

If the diagnosis is missing on the claim, one or both of the following Error Status Codes (ESCs) may post on the claim.

**ESC 223 – No Diagnosis on Claim**

**ESC 258 – Primary Diagnosis Code Missing**

Thank you for your service to our Medical Assistance recipients.  
We value your participation.

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