# Treatment Authorization Request User Guide





San Diego

The Outreach and Education services is made up of Provider Field Representatives located throughout California and includes the Small Provider Billing Assistance and Training Program staff, who are available to train and assist providers to efficiently submit their Medi-Cal claims for payment. See the below additional tools and free services available to your provider community.

#### Medi-Cal Learning Portal (MLP)

Explore the Medi-Cal Learning Portal (MLP) that offers Medi-Cal providers and billers self-paced online training about billing basics, related policies and procedures; new initiatives and any significant changes to the Medi-Cal program.

#### How can you get started using the MLP?

- First time users must complete a one-time registration at www.learn.medi-cal.ca.gov
- After logging in, you will be able to RSVP for training events or view eLearning courses
- Refer to the Medi-Cal Learning Portal (MLP) Job Aid or the Medi-Cal Learning Portal (MLP) User Guide for detailed instructions

#### How can you benefit from using the MLP?

- Significantly reduce billing errors by learning billing best practices
- Quizzes that test your knowledge
- Practice your skills using interactive activities

#### Free Services for Providers

#### **Provider Seminars and Webinars**

Provider Training Seminars and Webinars offer basic and advanced billing courses for all provider types. Seminars also offer a free billing assistance called the Claims Assistance Room (CAR). Providers are encouraged to bring their more complex billing issues and receive individual assistance from a Provider Field Representative. The dates and locations for the annual provider training seminars and webinars can be found on the events calendar in the MLP tool and in the News area on www.medi-cal.ca.gov.

#### Provider Field Representatives

Receive one-on-one assistance from Provider Field Representatives who live and work in cities throughout California. Provider Field Representatives are available to visit providers at their office to assist with billing needs and/or provide custom billing training to office staff.

#### Small Provider Billing Assistance and Training Program

The Small Provider Billing Assistance and Training Program is one-on-one billing assistance for one year to providers who submit fewer than 100 claim lines per month and would like some extra help. For more information about how to enroll in the Small Provider Billing Assistance and Training Program, call (916) 636-1275 or 1-800-541-5555.

All of the aforementioned services are available to providers at no cost!

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# Introduction

# Purpose and Objectives

The purpose of this User Guide is to familiarize users with the Medi-Cal electronic *Treatment Authorization Request* (eTAR) transaction tool so that users may submit *Treatment Authorization Requests* (TARs) online.

Upon completion of this training, participants will be able to:

- Access the Medi-Cal Provider website (www.medi-cal.ca.gov)
- Login to the Transaction Services menu
- · Access the TAR menu
- Create, update and inquire eTARs
- Add, change and make corrections to eTARs
- Reauthorize and update deferred eTARs
- Submit TAR attachments
- View TAR responses
- Conduct code searches

## General Guidelines

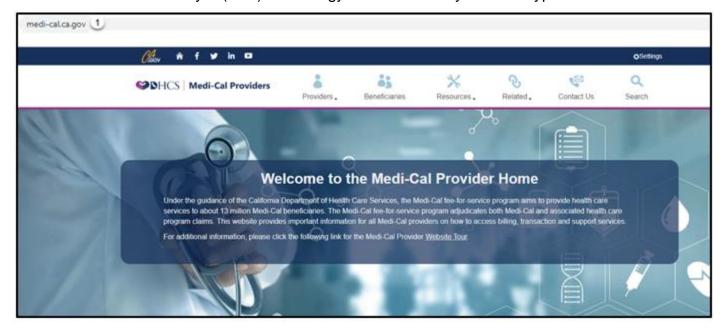
- An asterisk symbol (\*) indicates that this is a required field.
- A downward arrow next to a field means there is a dropdown that will allow the user to choose from existing options.
- Decimal points are required when indicated.
- Verify the cursor is located in a field before using the backspace key to delete a character.
- Dates must be entered with a two-digit month, two-digit date and four-digit year (mmddyyyy) (for example, June 10, 2020 is 06102020).
- Do not click the "Back" option from the internet browser while submitting an eTAR.
- The eTAR Medical Tutorials link is accessible from the upper right corner on all eTAR Medical webpages.
- If a window does not appear and the fax attachments option is selected, there may be a pop-up blocker activated.
- Enter a rendering provider number to allow another provider to inquire on eTAR service information.
- Providers should confirm recipient eligibility prior to submitting a TAR

**Note:** TAR web pages do not have numbered fields.

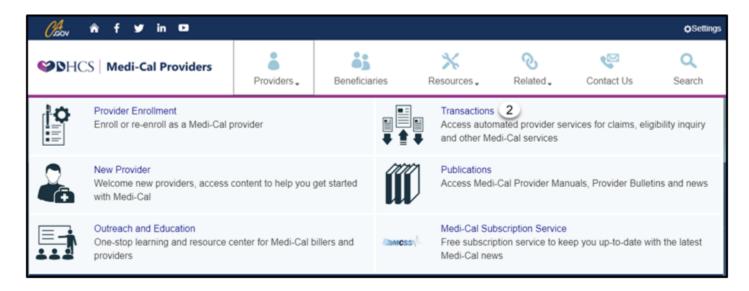
# TAR Menu

# Accessing the TAR Menu

- 1. To access the Medi-Cal Provider website, enter www.medi-cal.ca.gov in the browser address bar. To ensure that all customer data transmitted over the internet remains confidential, the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) and the California MMIS Fiscal Intermediary have instituted electronic security measures using industry-standard encryption technology, including:
  - Authentication: Requiring users to enter ID and password
  - Secure Socket Layer (SSL) technology: Online two-way data encryption



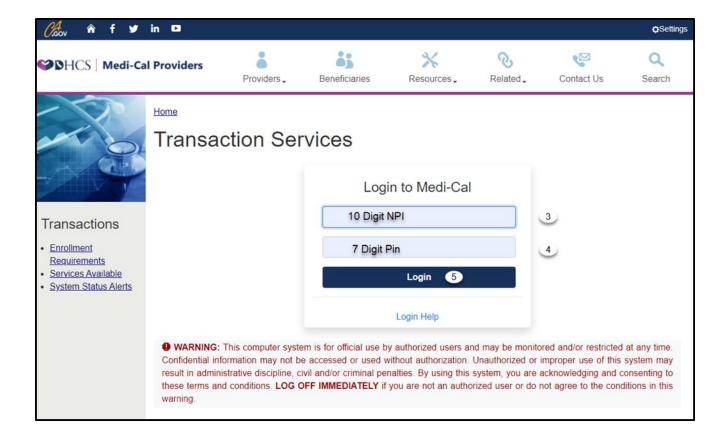
2. From the Providers drop-down menu, select **Transactions**. You will be directed to the Transaction Services login page.



**Medi-Cal Provider Website assistance**: Call the Telephone Service Center (TSC) at 1-800-541-5555.

# Transaction Services Login Screen

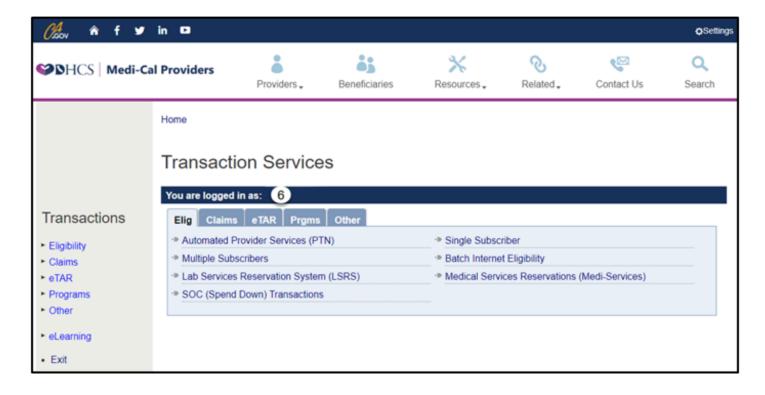
- 3. Enter the 10-digit National Provider Identifier (NPI) in the **User ID** field.
- 4. Enter the seven-digit Provider Identification Number (PIN) in the **Password** field.
- 5. Select **Submit**. You are now logged in.



**Note:** Providers must complete a *Medi-Cal Point of Service (POS) Network/Internet Agreement* form in order to access Transaction Services. This form can be located by clicking the "Enrollment Requirements" hyperlink under the Medi-Cal Internet Transactions section on the home page. Applications must be submitted to the California MMIS Fiscal Intermediary and typically take two to three weeks to process.

# **Transaction Services**

6. Once you have logged in, you will see the Transaction Services web page. Select the **eTAR** tab.



# Creating a New TAR

### Create a New TAR

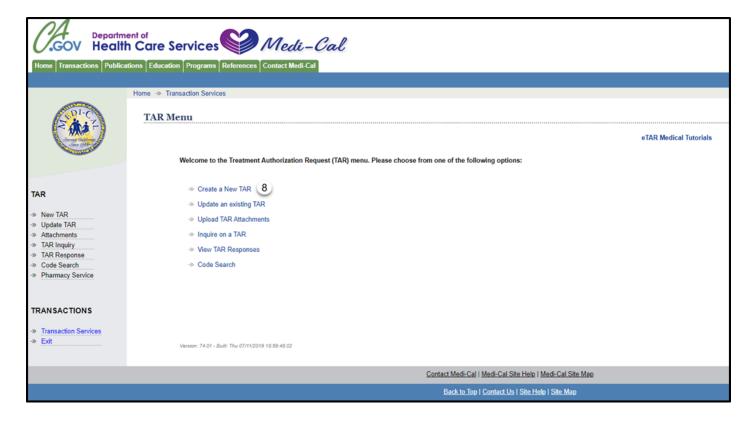
Under the **eTAR** tab, providers will see a list of provider options available. Options appear after the provider has been activated to submit eTARs.

7. Select **Medical Services** from the Transaction Services menu to be directed to the TAR Menu.



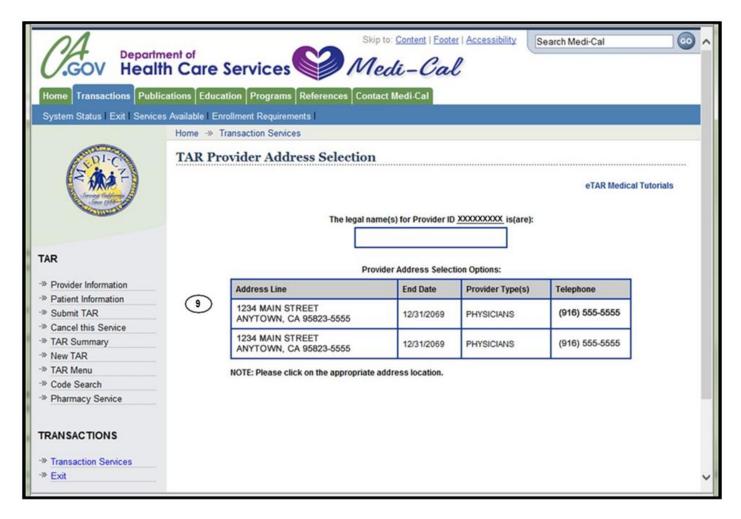
# TAR Menu

8. Select the Create a New TAR link to initiate an eTAR.



### TAR Provider Address Selection

Select the address under the Address Line column that indicates the provider type for the eTAR being submitted.



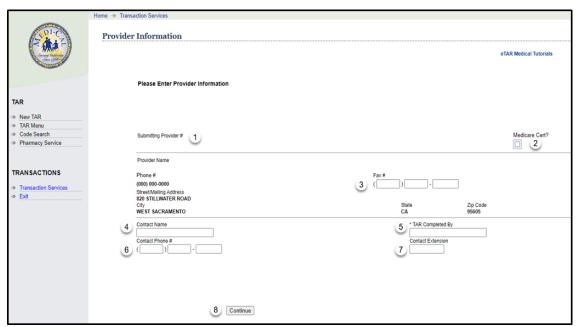
**Note:** The Provider Address Selection Options screen will only appear if the NPI being used has multiple addresses associated with it. Use the **Provider Type(s)** column to select the address where services will be rendered. If you do not have multiple NPIs, you will not see this screen. \*\*Do not click the "Back" option from the internet browser when using the eTAR transaction function

### **Provider Information**

- 1. The Submitting Provider # used to log in to Transaction Services will automatically populate. If a TAR needs to be submitted under a different NPI, log out and log in using the correct provider number.
- 2. Click the **Medicare Cert?** checkbox to indicate the provider is Medicare certified.

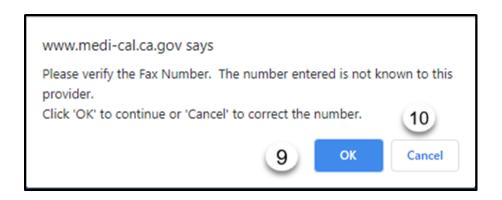
**Note:** The submitting provider's name, phone number and address will automatically populate in the Provider Name field.

- 3. For vision providers only, if a fax number is submitted in the Fax # field, an Adjudication Response (AR) will be automatically faxed once a TAR adjudicates. If the field is left blank, an AR will not be sent, and TAR status may be viewed and printed through the TAR Inquiry link. Refer to the TAR Inquiry section of this User Guide for more information.
- 4. Enter the name of the person who has the ability to answer questions about the TAR request in the **Contact Name** field.
- 5. Enter the full name of the person who completed the TAR in the **TAR Completed By** field. \*Required Field.
- 6. Enter the **Contact Phone #** for the person who can answer questions about the TAR.
- 7. Enter the **Contact Extension** of the contact person.
- 8. Select Continue.



#### Provider Information (Cont.)

- 9. If the fax number entered is not recognized by Medi-Cal databases, a window will appear requesting verification of the fax number. Click **OK** if the fax number is correct.
- 10. Click **Cancel** to change the fax number.



Note: If you are not a vision provider, you will not receive an AR via fax.

### **Patient Information**

- 1. Enter the **Recipient ID #** as it appears on the State of California Benefits Identification Card (BIC). \*Required Field.
- 2. The **Patient Record #** is an optional but recommended field to help users inquire on a specific TAR or recipient. The number is created by the provider's office. Examples may include the patient's medical record number or patient's account number.
- Use the Special Handling dropdown to select a special handling reason for the TAR service being requested. This field is only required if one of the reasons listed below apply. See the Medi-Cal provider manual for more information.
  - 6 Prescription Limit Select when the recipient has exceeded their six-prescription limit for the month, thus requiring authorization.
  - ADHC Regional Centers Select when Community-Based Adult Services (CBAS) are being requested.
  - Beneficiary Exempt from Hearing Aid Cap Select when the maximum hearing aid cap has been met and the beneficiary meets the criteria of those who are excluded from the cap.
  - Breast and Cervical Cancer Treatment Program (BCCTP) Select this special handling option when the Breast and Cervical Cancer Treatment Program (BCCTP) applies.
  - CCT California Community Transitions Select this special handling option when the California Community Transitions (CCT) program applies.
  - CHDP Select this special handling option when the specialized Child Health and Disability Prevention Program (CHDP) applies.
  - Cannot Bill Direct, TAR is Required Select this special handling option when the service cannot be claimed direct and requires a TAR in order to submit a claim.
  - Charpentier Select this special handling option when submitting claims using the special rules of Medicare or Medi-Cal Charpentier program.
  - Concurrent Review Fax Currently not used.
  - Concurrent Review Onsite Currently not used.

#### Patient Information – Special Handling (Cont.)

- Container Count Limit Select this special handling option when the request exceeds the maximum number of containers as specified in the Medi-Cal Provider Manual for a compound drug.
- DPO Select this special handling option when facilitating an early discharge from the hospital using a Discharge Planning Option (DPO).
- EMR Approved access
- EPSDT Supplemental Services Select this special handling option when the request is beyond normal Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) program scope.
- Elective Acute Day Hospitalization Select this special handling option when requesting elective hospital days.
- Emergency Acute Day Hospitalization This special handling option is selected when requesting inpatient hospital days or administrative days.
- Exceeded Billing Dollar Amount This special handling option is selected when the maximum dollar amount allowed for the service within a specific timeframe has been exceeded.
- Exceeded Billing Frequency Limit Select this special handling option when the number of times this service may be provided within a specific timeframe has been exceeded, therefore, requiring authorization.
- Exceeded Billing Limit Select this special handling option when the quantity billable for this service has been exceeded, therefore, requiring authorization.
- Exceeded Code 1 Restrictions This special handling option is selected when the recipient has exceeded the Code 1 restricted limits for a drug, as specified in the Medi-Cal Provider Manual.
- Exceeded Inhalers Supply Limit Select this special handling option when the eTAR service request exceeds the inhaler assist device limits, as specified in the Medi-Cal Provider Manual.
- Exceeded Medical Supplies Limit/Container Count Limit This special handling option is selected when the recipient has exceeded their medical supply or container count limit, as specified in the Medi-Cal Provider Manual.
- Exceeded Peak Flow Meters Limit Select this special handling option when the recipient has exceeded their peak flow meter supply limit, as specified in the Medi-Cal Provider Manual.

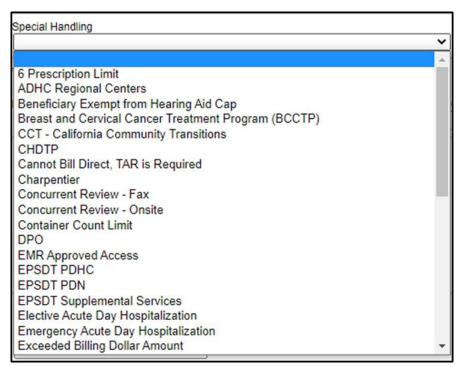
#### Patient Information – Special Handling (Cont.)

- FPACT This special handling option is selected for complications with Family Planning, which may be covered by Family Planning Access Care and Treatment (FPACT) but only with an approved TAR.
- FPACT 6 Prescription Limit Currently not used, 6 Rx limit does not apply to Family PACT
- Hudman Select this special handling option when requesting authorization to a nursing facility in a distinct part of an acute facility in lieu of placement at a free- standing nursing facility.
- ICF-DD Clinical Assurance Review This special handling option is selected for authorization to an Intermediate Care Facility for the Developmentally Disabled (ICF-DD).
- IHO This special handling option is selected for an evaluation and possible authorization for case management with the In-Home Operations (IHO) program.
- MCM Obsolete after April 30, 2011 Currently not used.
- Out-of-State Acute Day Hospitalization This special handling option is selected when requesting acute day hospitalization outside the state of California.
- Podiatry Select this special handling option for Podiatry services.
- Services is a non-benefit and no TAR requirement on procedure file Review –
   Select this special handling option when the service being requested is a non-benefit and does not require a TAR but is needed by the patient and must be authorized.
- Service/Product Exempt from Hearing Aid Cap Select this special handling option when a hearing aid service/product is excluded from the hearing aid cap.
- Step Therapy Exemption This special handling option is selected when the TAR meets exemption from step therapy requirements.

#### Patient Information – Special Handling (Cont.)

- Transfer Select this special handling option when moving a patient from one nursing facility to another.
- Transplant Related Service
- Usage is for Non-Standard Diagnosis This special handling option is selected when a non-standard diagnosis applies.
- Valdivia Select this special handling option for services that are in excess of those provided normally to a nursing facility patient.
- Voluntary Inpatient Detoxification

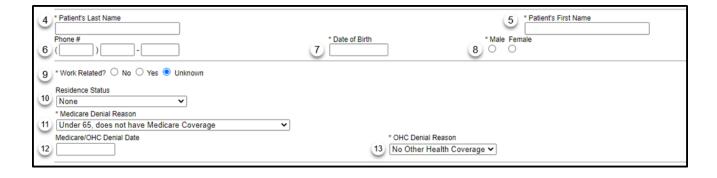




**Note:** If the service typically does not require a TAR but still needs to be evaluated by a field office reviewer, select from the drop-down menu - **Can Not Bill Direct, TAR is Required**.

#### Patient Information – Special Handling (Cont.)

- 4. Enter the **Patient's Last Name**. \*Required Field.
- 5. Enter the Patient's First Name. \*Required Field.
- 6. Enter the patient's **Phone number.**
- 7. Enter the patient's **Date of Birth** (mmddyyyy). \*Required Field.
- 8. Select the Male or Female radio button to indicate the patient's gender. \*Required Field.
- Select the Work Related? radio button to indicate if service is work related. \*Required Field.
- 10. Use the **Residence Status** dropdown to select the residential status that currently applies to this patient.
- 11. Use the **Medicare Denial Reason** dropdown to select the reason the service requested is not covered by Medicare. \*Required Field.
- 12. Enter a Medicare/OHC Denial Date (mmddyyyy) if Medicare or Other Health Care Coverage (OHC) has denied this service. If Medicare Denial Reason is entered, this field is required.
- 13. Use the **OHC Denial Reason** dropdown to select the patient's other healthcare coverage status type. \*Required Field.



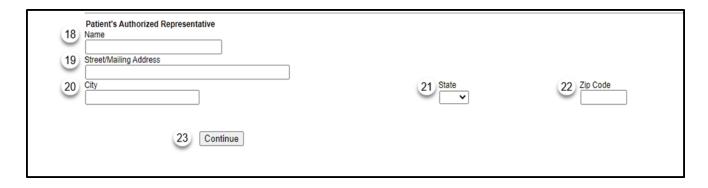
The **Mother/Transplant Recipient Providing Medi-Cal Eligibility** section is used when submitting a TAR for a newborn using the mother's Medi-Cal eligibility or when an organ transplant donor is using the transplant recipient's Medi-Cal eligibility.

- 14. Enter the **Last Name** of the newborn's mother or the transplant recipient providing Medi-Cal eligibility.
- 15. Enter the **First Name** of the newborn's mother or the transplant recipient providing Medi-Cal eligibility.
- 16. Enter the **Date of Birth** (mmddyyyy) for the newborn's mother or the transplant recipient providing Medi-Cal eligibility.
- 17. Click the **Male** or **Female** radio button to indicate the newborn's mother's gender or the transplant recipient's gender.



Use the **Patient's Authorized Representative** section if the eTAR is for a Medi-Cal recipient (patient) who is under guardianship/conservatorship. All fields must be completed in this section to ensure the Patient's Authorized Representative will receive all relevant correspondence concerning the patient.

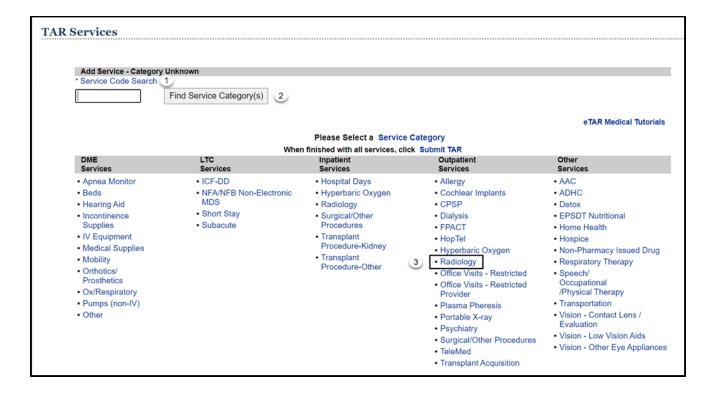
- 18. Enter the **Name** of the patient's authorized representative.
- 19. Enter the **Street/Mailing Address** of the patient's authorized representative.
- 20. Enter **City** of residence for the patient's authorized representative.
- 21. Enter **State** of residence for the patient's authorized representative.
- 22. Enter the **Zip Code** of residence for the patient's authorized representative.
- 23. Select **Continue** to proceed to the TAR Services menu.



# **Select Service Category**

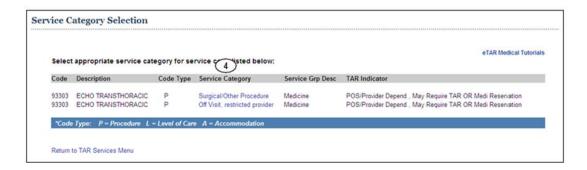
There are three different ways to add the Service Category.

- 1. If the code is unknown, select **Service Code Search** to initiate the search.
- 2. If you know the code, type the code in the search field and select **Find Service Category(s)** to initiate the search.
- 3. If you know the category, select the **Service Category** to initiate the search.



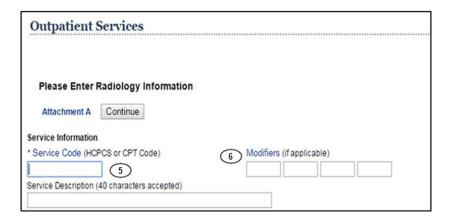
### Service Selection

4. When you enter the Service Code, it may return multiple selections for the code selected. If this is the case, select the **Service Category** that applies to the services being submitted.



**Note**: This screen will not appear if the service code is associated with only one service category.

- 5. Enter the **Service Code** to identify the service being requested. If a code was entered in the **Service Code Search**, it will automatically populate in this field. If the service code is unknown, click the **Service Code** hyperlink to access the Code Search. See the Code Search section of this User Guide for more information on Code Search. \*Required Field.
- 6. Enter up to four **Modifiers**, if applicable. If unknown, click the **Modifiers** hyperlink to access Code Search. See the Code Search section of this User Guide for more information on Code Search. If the service code requires a modifier(s), lack of modifier(s) may result in a TAR deferral, thus delaying the review of the TAR.

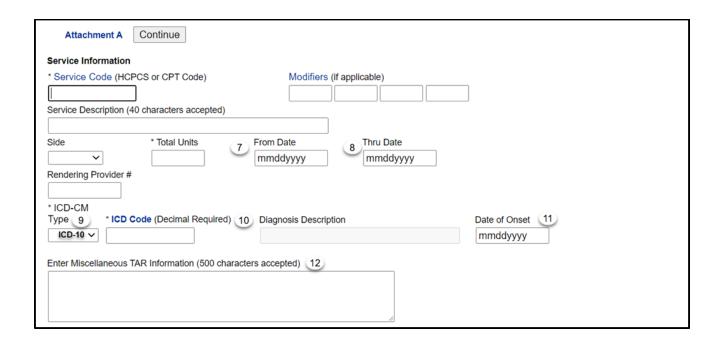


**Note:** Depending on the service code entered, information may be required. Enter a **Rendering Provider Number** to allow another provider to inquire on the eTAR service information.

- 7. Enter the **From Date** (mmddyyyy) to indicate the start of service date. If request is retroactive, enter the actual dates of service. If request is planned, enter the range of dates during which services will be provided.
- 8. Enter the **Thru Date** (mmddyyyy) to indicate the end of service date. If request is retroactive, enter the actual dates of service. If request is planned, enter the range of dates during which services will be provided.
- 9. Use the ICD-CM Type dropdown to select the ICD code type. \*Required Field.
- 10. Enter the ICD Code, including the decimal point, indicating the primary diagnosis relative to the requested service. If unknown, click the ICD Code hyperlink to access Code Search. See the Code Search section of this User Guide for more information on Code Search. \*Required Field.

**Note:** The **Diagnosis Description** field is no longer used, and the field is disabled. Leave this field blank.

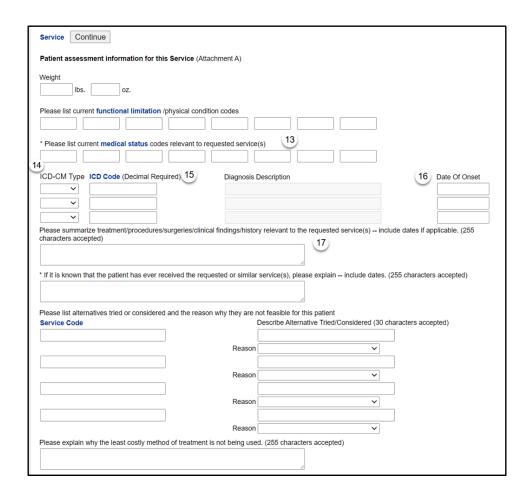
- 11. Enter the **Date of Onset** (mmddyyyy) as it relates to the diagnosis entered in the ICD Code field
- 12. **Enter Miscellaneous TAR Information** with additional treatment details and medical justification pertinent to the requested service.



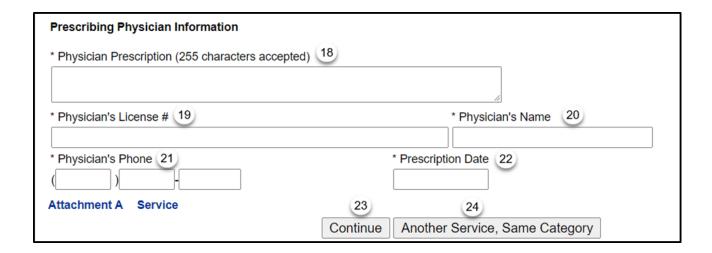
- 13. Enter current medical status codes which describe the patient's condition in the **Please list current medical status codes relevant to the requested service(s)** field. If
  unknown, click the **Medical Status** hyperlink to access Code Search. See the Code
  Search section of this User Guide for more information on Code Search. See Appendix A
  for a list of medical status codes. \*Required Field.
- 14. Use the **ICD-CM Type** dropdown to select the ICD code type.
- 15. Enter secondary ICD Code, including the decimal point, indicating the diagnoses relative to the requested service(s). If unknown, click the **ICD Code** hyperlink to access Code Search. See the Code Search section of this User Guide for more information on Code Search.

**Note:** The Diagnosis **Description** field is no longer used. Leave this field blank.

- 16. Enter the **Date of Onset** (mmddyyyy) associated with the diagnosis entered in the ICD Code field.
- 17. Enter a treatment and history summary for the patient in the Please summarize treatment/procedures/surgeries/clinical findings/history relevant to the requested service(s) include dates if applicable field.



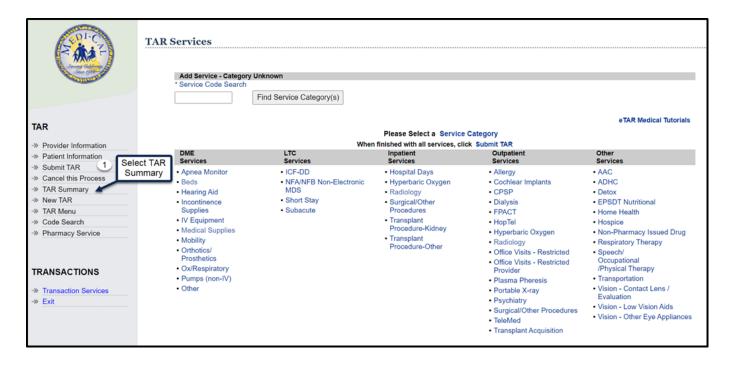
- 18. Enter the **Physician Prescription** instructions using the exact wording written on the prescription. \*Required Field.
- 19. Enter the NPI in the Physician's License # field. \*Required Field.
- 20. Enter the prescribing **Physician's Name**. \*Required Field.
- 21. Enter the **Physician's Phone** number. \*Required Field.
- 22. Enter the Prescription Date (mmddyyyy). \*Required Field.
- 23. Click **Continue** to return to the TAR Service menu. See the Submit TAR section in this User Guide for information on submitting the TAR.
- 24. Click **Another Service**, **Same Category** to create another service line for the same service type.



**Note:** When selecting **Another Service**, **Same Category**, up to 99 service lines may be added.

# TAR Summary

1. Select TAR Summary to review, confirm or correct all information entered on the eTAR.



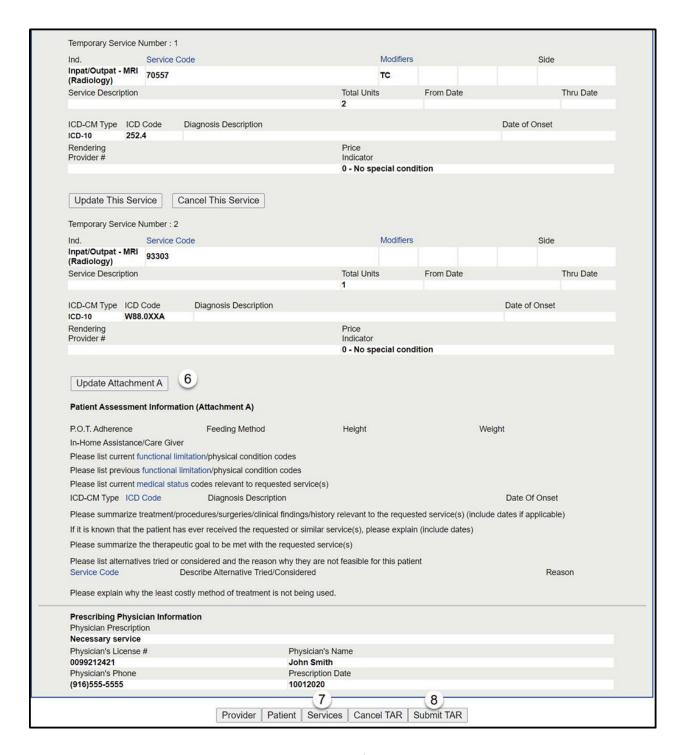
# **Verifying Information**

Verify and correct all information before submitting the TAR.

- 2. Click **Update Provider Information** to return to a specific page to add or edit previously submitted information.
- Click Update Patient Information to return to a specific page to add or edit previously submitted information.
- 4. Click **Update This Service** to return to a specific page to add or edit previously submitted information.
- Click Cancel This Service to cancel the service.



- 6. Click **Update Attachment A** to return to a specific page to add or edit previously submitted information.
- 7. Click **Services** to return to the TAR Services menu to add any additional services.
- 8. Click **Submit TAR** once all information is verified and completed.



#### Submit TAR

 Select the Attachment(s) Submission Option radio button that reflects how and when the attachments will be submitted. If the required attachments are not received within the specified time, the eTAR will be deferred or denied.

**Note:** When making your selection, the preferred method is to upload attachments followed by faxing attachments.

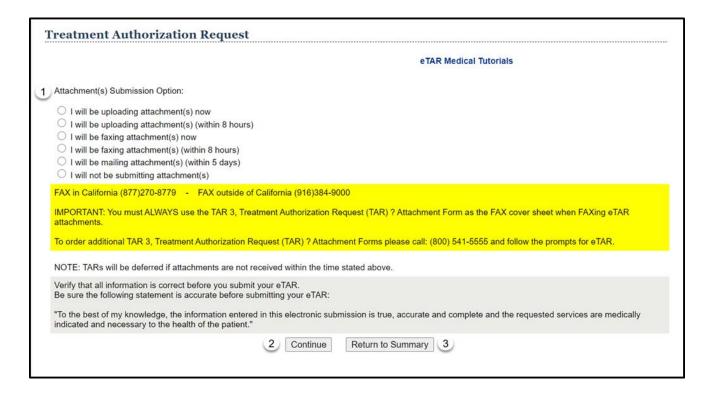
When selecting either I will be faxing attachment(s) now or I will be faxing attachment(s) (within 8 hours), a window appears to print a completed TAR 3 Attachment Form.

Attachments may be submitted as hard copy via fax, U.S. mail or online. See the Attachment Submission section of this User Guide for more information about faxing attachments.

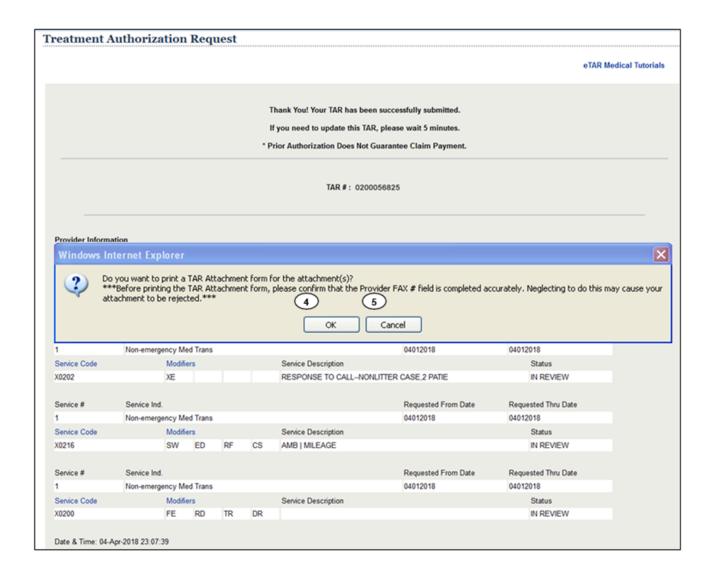
2. Click **Continue** to submit the eTAR for review.

#### <u>Or</u>

3. Click **Return to Summary** to return to the TAR Summary page.



- Click **OK** to print a copy of the *TAR 3 Attachment Form*. Confirm all information on the eTAR request is correct prior to printing the form. Neglecting to do so may cause the eTAR to be deferred or denied.
- 5. Click **Cancel** if the print feature for the *TAR 3 Attachment Form* is not needed. See the TAR 3 Attachment Form section of this User Guide for more information on the *TAR 3 Attachment Form*.



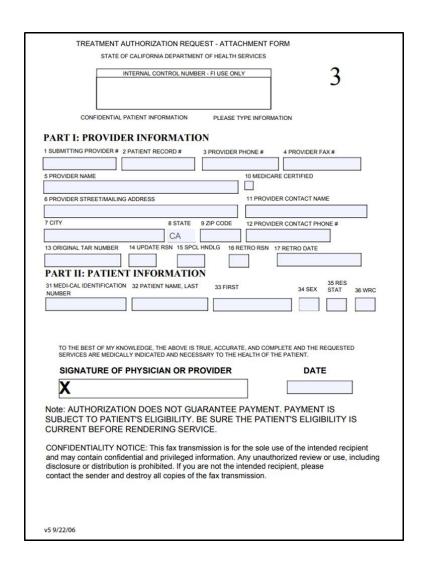
**Note:** If a window does not appear when the fax attachments option is selected, a pop-up blocker may be active.

All required fields are populated automatically using the information provided in the eTAR application. Editing of the *TAR 3 Attachment Form* is possible prior to printing the document. See the *TAR 3 Attachment Form* section of this User Guide for additional information and instructions regarding the *TAR 3 Attachment Form*.

Print the *TAR 3 Attachment Form* and fax to 1-877-270-8779 from inside California, or (916) 384-9000 from outside California.

Mail attachments to:

California MMIS Fiscal Intermediary P.O. Box 13029 Sacramento, CA 95813-4029

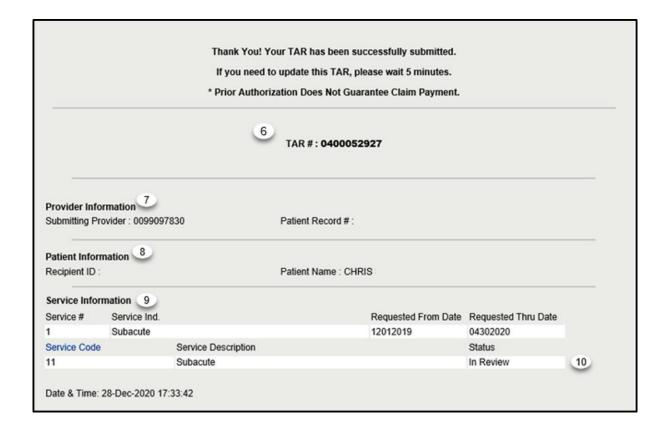


**Note:** Overnight and/or FedEx delivery are not accepted.

6. It is important to retain the TAR Control Number (TCN) that confirms the transmission and can be used should you need to update or inquire on the TAR.

**Note:** The "In Review" status verifies that the TAR was submitted for review. Once the TAR is approved, the Pricing Indicator (PI) becomes the 11<sup>th</sup> digit of the TCN that is used when submitting claims. The PI code is added by the provider

- 7. The **Provider Information** section reflects the submitting provider's ID and the Patient Record Number.
- 8. The Patient Information section reflects the recipient's ID and the name as submitted.
- 9. The **Service Information** section provides a brief summary of the TAR services requested and the status for each service line.
- 10. The **Status** field indicates the current status.



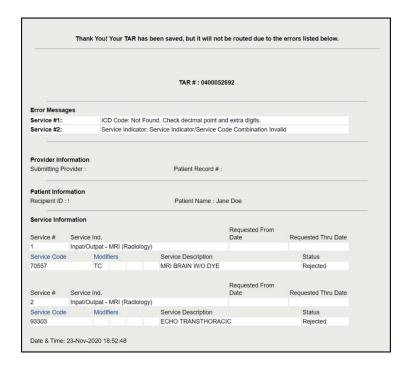
## Updating a Rejected TAR

### Rejected TAR

"Rejected Status" indicates the service line was not submitted due to the reasons listed in the eTAR Confirmation window.

To correct and resubmit, the service line must be updated. This is the only place where you will see why a service has been rejected. It is highly recommended that you capture this error message when it appears since this is the only time this message will appear.

See the Updating an Existing TAR section of this User Guide for further information.



**Note:** If the status reflects "Rejected," repeat the process until you see the "In Review" status.

There are several reasons for a TAR to receive a "Rejected" Status, such as the following:

- The reject reason is due to prior TAR being "denied," you will need to request an Appeal TAR
- The reject reason is due to failure to update a deferred TAR within the required 30-day timeframe. You must submit a new TAR
- The reject reason is due to "TAR not required." You must use a "Special Handling Code" appropriate for the rejected service.

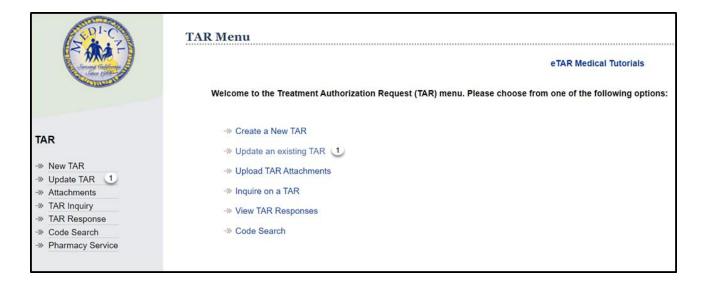
# Updating an Existing TAR

#### **Update TAR**

1. Select the **Update an existing TAR** or **Update TAR** option.

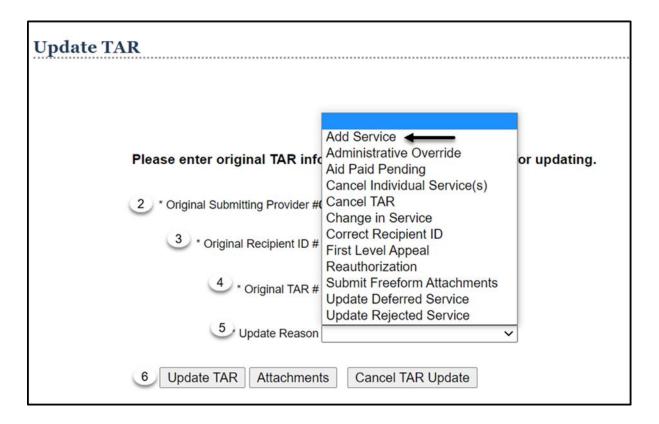
**Important:** Only eTARs may be updated in the eTAR Transactions tool. You must wait at least five minutes after submitting a TAR before performing an update to a TAR.

Denied or cancelled TAR services cannot be updated. Update attempts made to a denied or cancelled TAR service will be rejected by the system.



- 2. The **Original Submitting Provider** number used to log into Transaction Services will automatically populate. If a TAR needs to be submitted using a different provider number, log out of Transaction Services and log in using the correct provider number. \*Required Field.
- 3. Enter the **Original Recipient ID #** submitted on the TAR. \*Required Field.
- 4. Enter the **Original TAR #** that was assigned by the system. \*Required Field.
- 5. Use the **Update Reason** dropdown to select the reason for the update. \*Required Field.
  - Add Service Used to add additional service lines to a previously submitted TAR.
     Do not use this update reason to request additional units.
  - Aid Paid Pending Currently not used.
  - Cancel Individual Service(s) Used to cancel specific service line(s) on a previously submitted eTAR. Once a service is cancelled, it cannot be updated.
  - Cancel TAR Used to cancel all services on a previously submitted or approved eTAR. Once an eTAR is cancelled, it cannot be updated.
  - Change in Service Used to update service information on an In Review, Approved or Modified eTAR. This information includes units, procedure codes, dates of service, and diagnosis information. If the service lines have had claims submitted successfully, the only fields that may be updated are units and dates. Do not use this update reason to request an extension of service; the Reauthorization update reason must be used.
  - Correct Recipient ID Recipient information may only be changed with this update reason. Recipient ID cannot be changed if any units on any service on the TAR have been used.
  - Reauthorization Used to request additional units/days/length of care on a previously Approved or Modified eTAR. The only fields that may be updated are the units, thru date, and Miscellaneous TAR Information.
  - Submit Freeform Attachments Do not use. Refer to Submit Attachment section in this User Guide for more information.
  - Update Deferred Service Used to update service information for a Deferred TAR.
  - Update Rejected Service Used to update service information for a Rejected TAR.

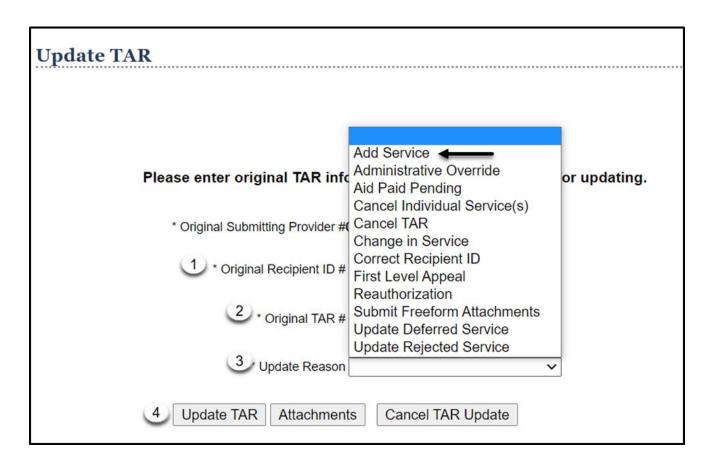
1. Click **Update TAR** to continue updating the eTAR.



### Add Service Update Reason Code

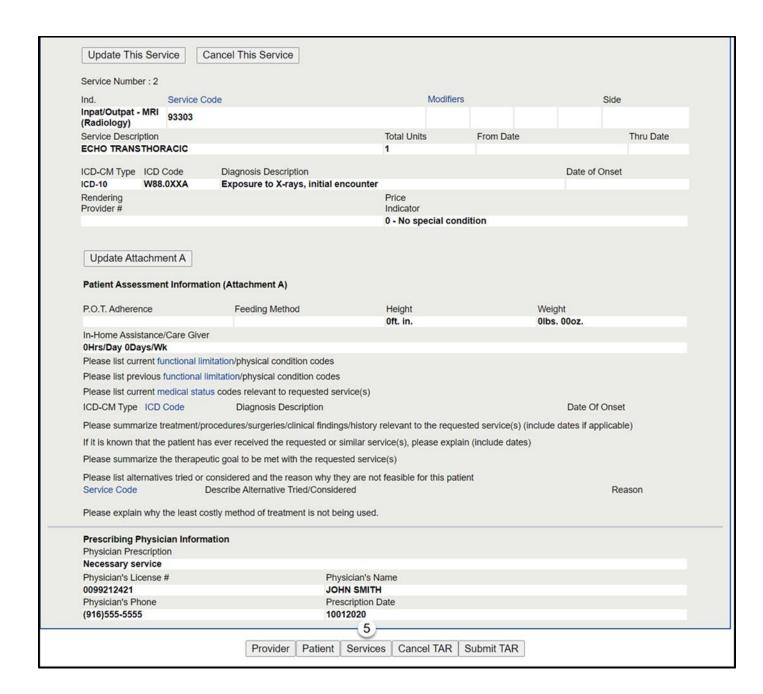
The Add Service update reason code is used to add additional service lines to a previously submitted TAR.

- 1. Enter the **Original Recipient ID #** submitted on the eTAR. \*Required Field.
- 2. Enter the **Original TAR** # that was assigned by the system when the eTAR was successfully submitted. \*Required Field.
- 3. Use the **Update Reason** dropdown to select Add Service. \*Required Field.
- 4. Click **Update TAR** to add service(s) to an existing eTAR.



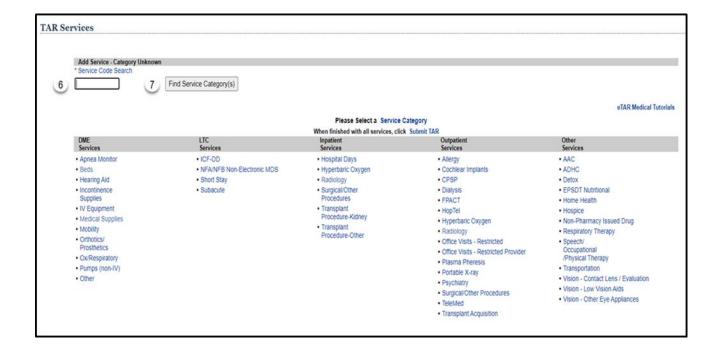
**Note:** Do not use this update reason to request additional units.

Select Services at the bottom of the TAR Summary page to add service line(s) to the TAR.



#### Service Code Search

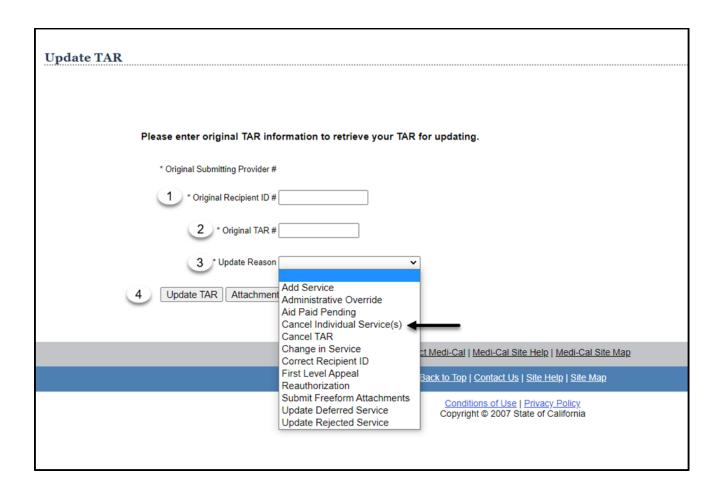
- Enter the service code in the Service Code Search field to identify the service to be added to the TAR. If unknown, see the Code Search section of this User Guide for additional information on Code Search.
- 7. Click Find Service Category(s) to initiate the search.



# Cancel Individual Service(s) Update Reason Code

The Cancel Individual Service(s) update reason code is used to cancel specific service line(s) on a previously submitted TAR. Once a service is cancelled, it cannot be updated.

- 1. Enter the **Original Recipient ID #** submitted on the eTAR. \*Required Field.
- 2. Enter the **Original TAR** # that was assigned by the system when the eTAR was successfully submitted. \*Required Field.
- 3. Use the **Update Reason** dropdown to select *Cancel Individual Service(s)*. \*Required Field.
- 4. Click **Update TAR** to cancel a service on the existing eTAR.

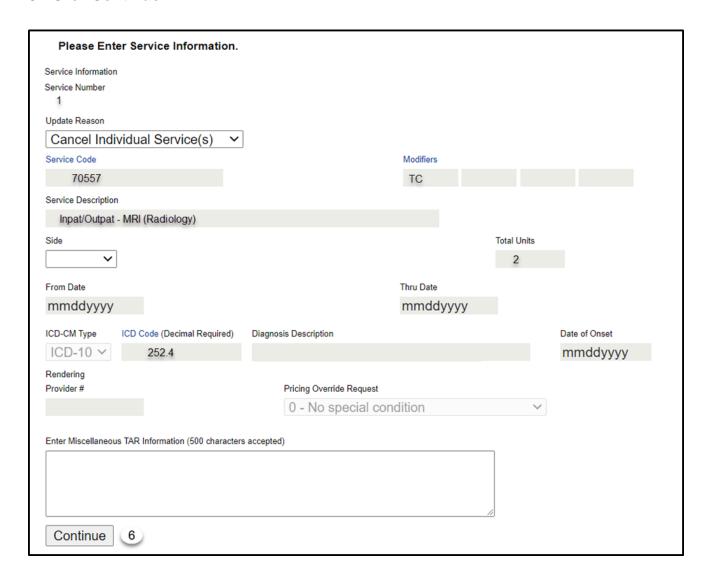


5. Select **Cancel This Service** next to the service that needs to be cancelled. Once a service is cancelled it cannot be updated.

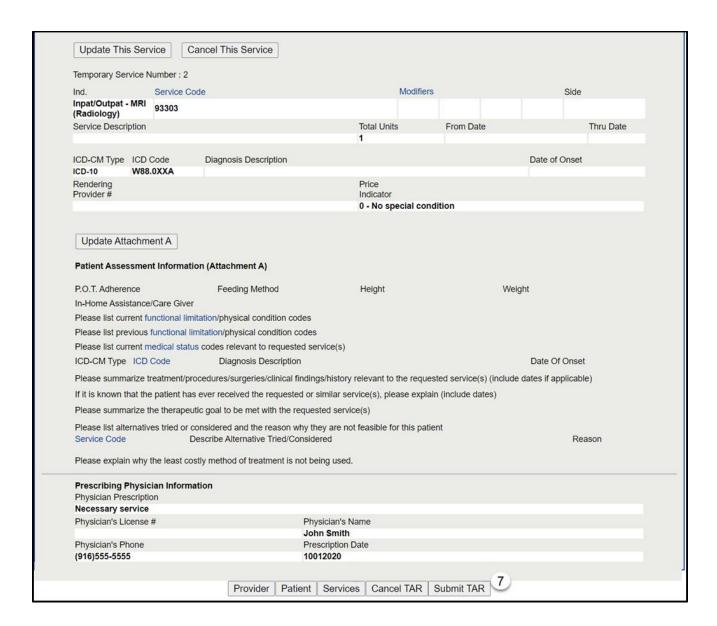


After selecting **Cancel This Service**, the service line info page will appear. All fields are disabled when the Cancel Individual Service(s) update reason code is selected. If the update reason code is changed, the fields will become editable.

#### 6. Click Continue.



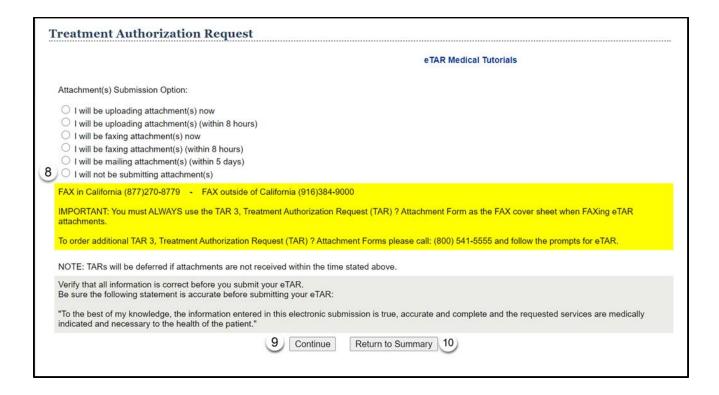
7. Click **Submit TAR** to continue the cancellation of the selected individual service. Once a service is cancelled, it cannot be updated.



- 8. Select I will not be submitting attachment(s) under the Attachment(s) Submission Option heading. No attachments are required when canceling a service line.
- 9. Click **Continue** to proceed with the cancellation.

#### <u>Or</u>

10. Click **Return to Summary** to return to the TAR Summary page for further review. The TAR service line(s) has not been cancelled until you have completed the process by selecting **Continue**.



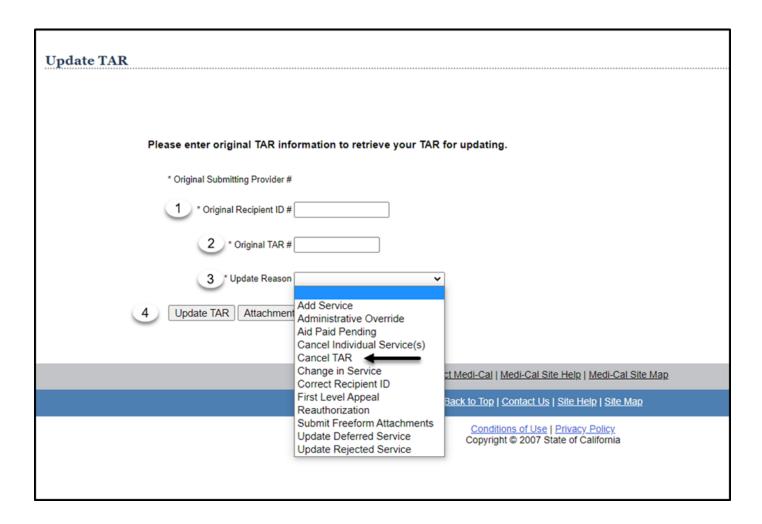
11. If the service line **Status** is "In Review," the service line was successfully submitted to be cancelled. Only the cancelled service line(s) will display on this page. See the Update Rejected Service section in this User if the status is rejected.

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		* Prior Author	ization Does Not Gua	rantee Claim Payment.		
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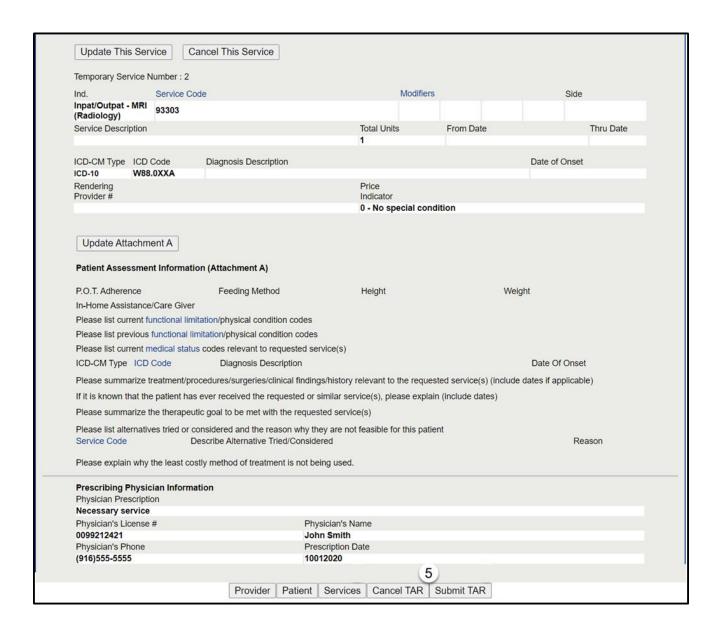
### Cancel TAR Update Reason Code

The Cancel TAR update reason code is used to cancel an entire TAR. Once a TAR is cancelled, it cannot be updated.

- 1. Enter the **Original Recipient ID #** submitted on the TAR. \*Required Field.
- 2. Enter the **Original TAR #** that was assigned by the system when the TAR was successfully submitted. \*Required Field.
- 3. Use the **Update Reason** dropdown to select *Cancel TAR*. \*Required Field.
- 4. Click **Update TAR** to proceed with the cancellation of an existing TAR.



5. Both the **Cancel TAR** and **Submit TAR** at the bottom of the TAR Summary screen will continue the cancellation of the TAR. When the Cancel TAR update reason code is selected, all buttons will be disabled/grayed out, except for the Cancel TAR and Submit TAR buttons.

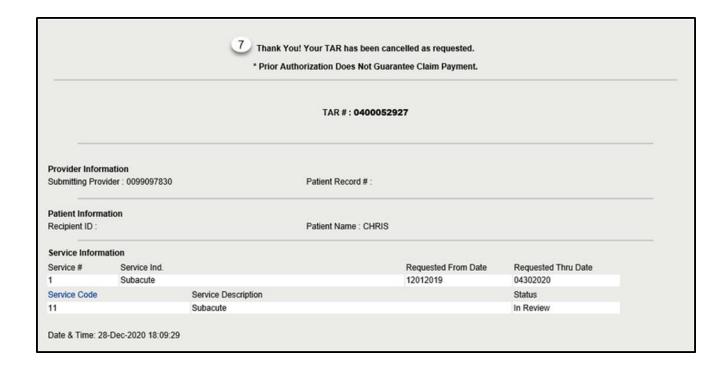


6. Select **OK** to cancel the TAR.



**Note:** Once a TAR is cancelled, it cannot be updated.

7. Once you have clicked **OK** to confirm Cancel TAR from the previous screen, a confirmation screen will appear stating, **Thank you! Your TAR has been cancelled as requested. \*Prior Authorization Does Not Guarantee Claim Payment.** 



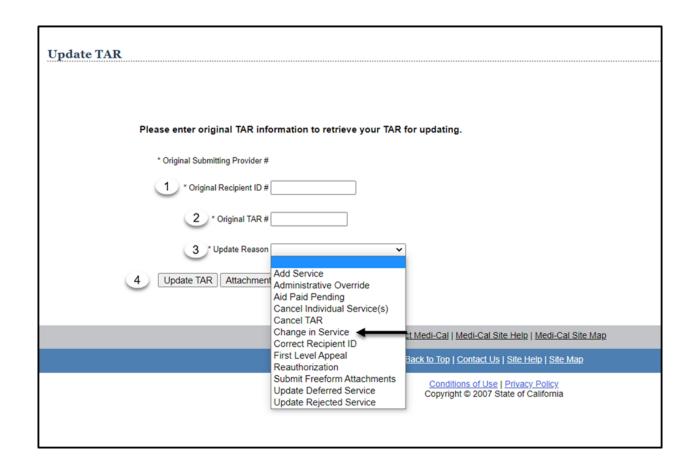
Note: When cancelling an entire TAR, no service lines will display on this page.

### Change in Service Update Reason Code

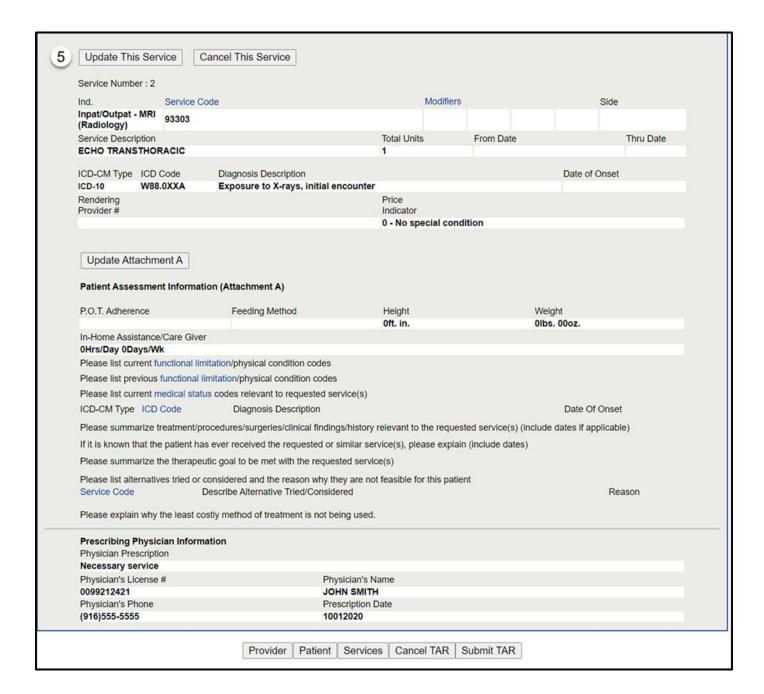
The Change in Service update reason code is used to update service information on an In Review, Approved or Modified TAR. The Change in Service update reason code includes units, procedure codes, dates of service and diagnosis information. If the service line(s) have had claims submitted successfully, the only fields that may be updated are units and dates.

**Note:** Do not use this update reason to request an extension of service. The Reauthorization update reason code must be used.

- 1. Enter the **Original Recipient ID #** submitted on the TAR. \*Required Field.
- 2. Enter the **Original TAR** # that was assigned by the system when the TAR was successfully submitted. \*Required Field.
- 3. Use the **Update Reason** dropdown to select *Change in Service*. \*Required Field.
- 4. Click **Update TAR** to update the service on the existing TAR.

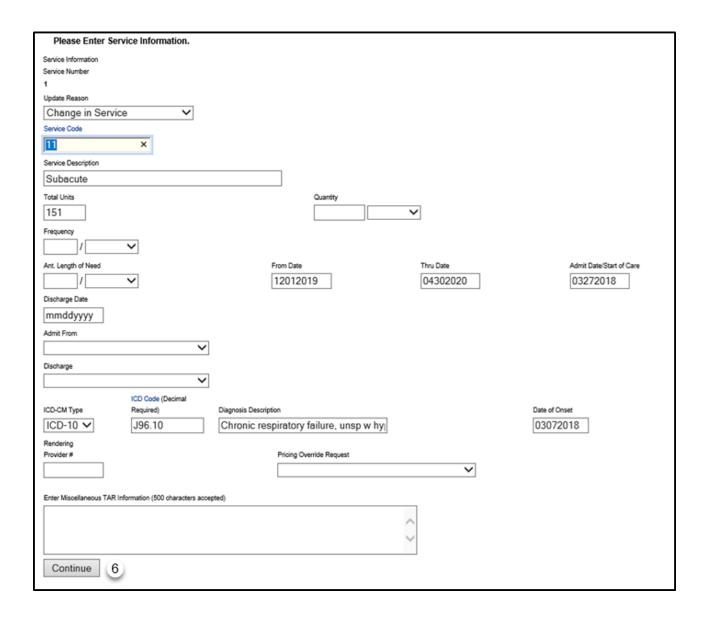


5. Select **Update This Service** next to the service to be changed.



Make updates to the selected service line. At least one field must be changed/updated. If the service line had previous claims submitted successfully, the only fields that can be altered are units and dates.

#### 6. Click Continue.



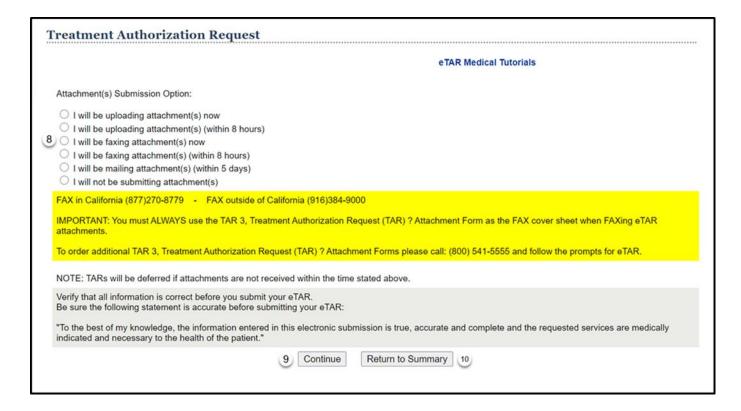
7. Click **Submit TAR** to continue updating the service.



- 8. Select the appropriate **Attachment(s) Submission Option** radio button. Upload, fax or email attachments appropriate for the updated service only.
- 9. Click **Continue** to submit the eTAR for review.

#### <u>Or</u>

10. Click **Return to Summary** to return to the TAR Summary page.



Note: TARs will be deferred or denied if attachments are not received within the time stated.

11. If the request has been successfully updated you will see a message that your TAR has been successfully submitted and the status will be "In Review".

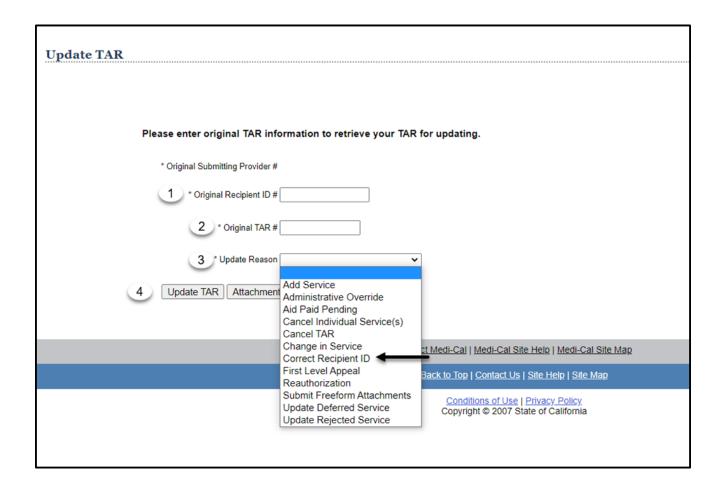
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### Correct Recipient ID Update Reason Code

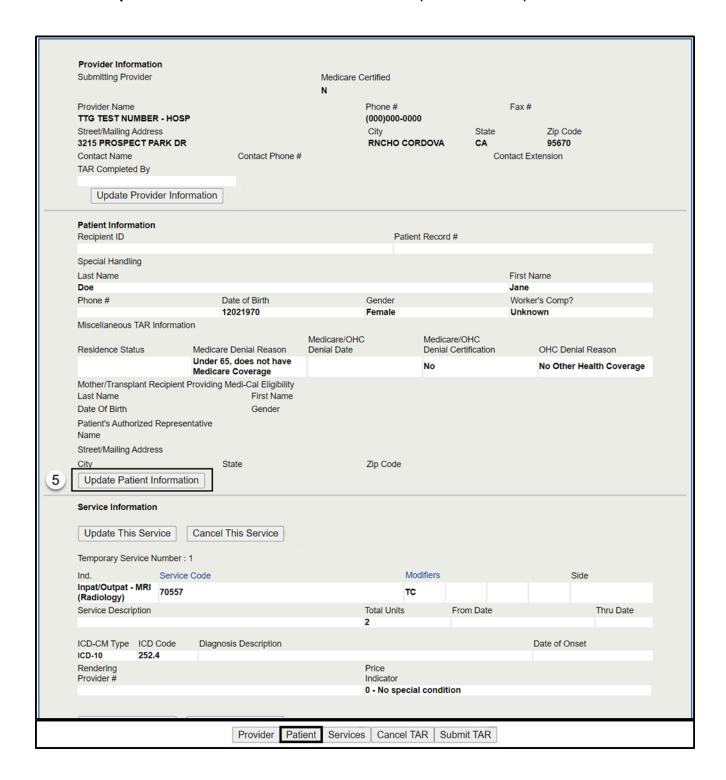
The Correct Recipient ID update reason is used to update recipient information. Only the recipient's information may be changed with this update reason.

If a TAR is rejected due to an invalid recipient ID, the provider must use *Correct Recipient ID* as the Update Reason.

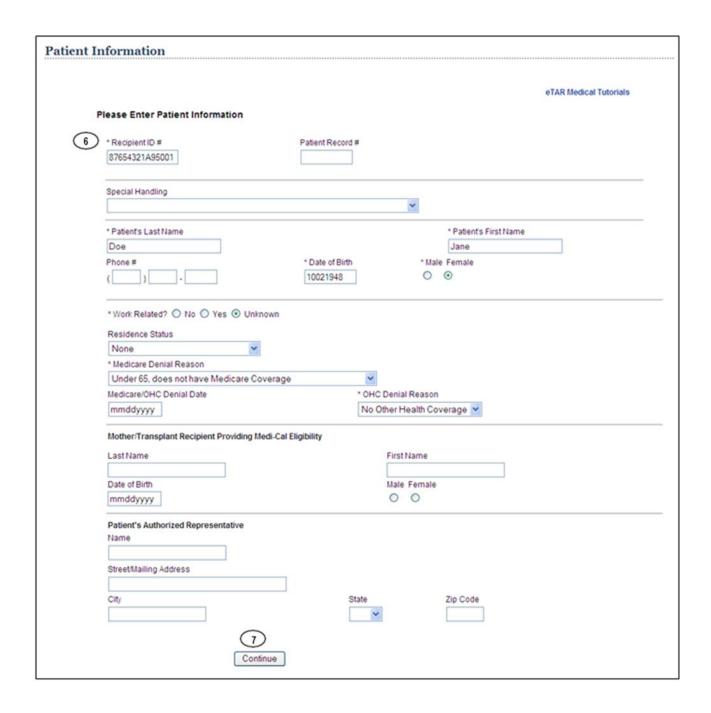
- 1. Enter the **Original Recipient ID #** submitted on the TAR. \*Required Field.
- 2. Enter the **Original TAR #** that was assigned by the system when the TAR was successfully submitted. \*Required Field.
- 3. Use the **Update Reason** dropdown to select *Correct Recipient ID*. \*Required Field.
- 4. Click **Update TAR** to correct the recipient ID on the existing TAR.



5. Select **Update Patient Information** or **Patient** to update the Recipient ID.

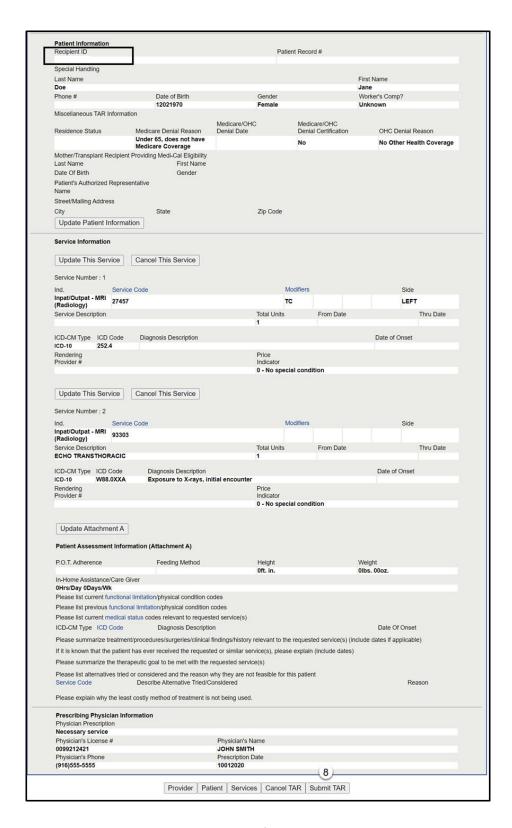


- 6. Update the **Recipient ID** as necessary. Additional Recipient information may also be updated as needed in conjunction with the Recipient ID.
- 7. Click Continue.



**Note:** Recipient information may only be changed using this specific update reason.

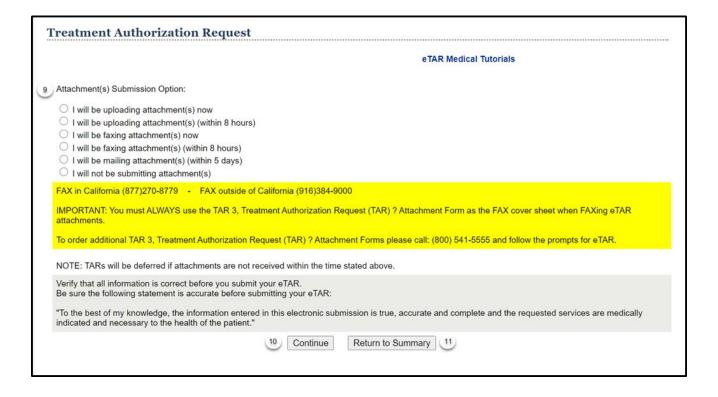
8. Click **Submit TAR** to continue to correct the Recipient ID.



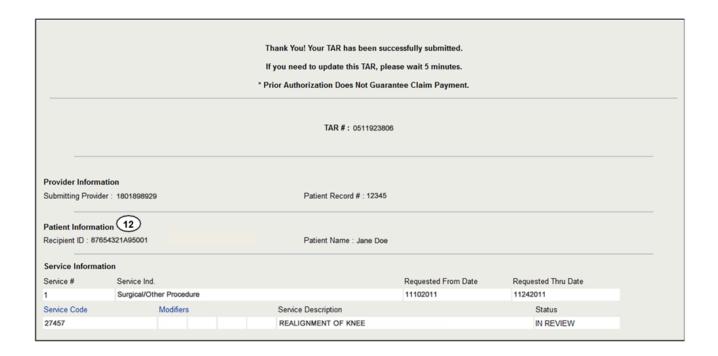
- 9. Select the appropriate Attachment(s) Submission Option radio button.
- 10. Click **Continue** to submit the eTAR for review.

#### <u>Or</u>

11. Click **Return to Summary** to return to the TAR Summary screen.



12. The TAR display will reflect the updated recipient information. No service information will be displayed.



**Note:** If the status reflects "Rejected," repeat the process until you see the "In Review" status. This screen is the only place and time that the update reason code is displayed, and it is important to take a screenshot or make a note of the error message that needs to be corrected.

There are several reasons for a TAR to receive a "Rejected" Status, such as the following:

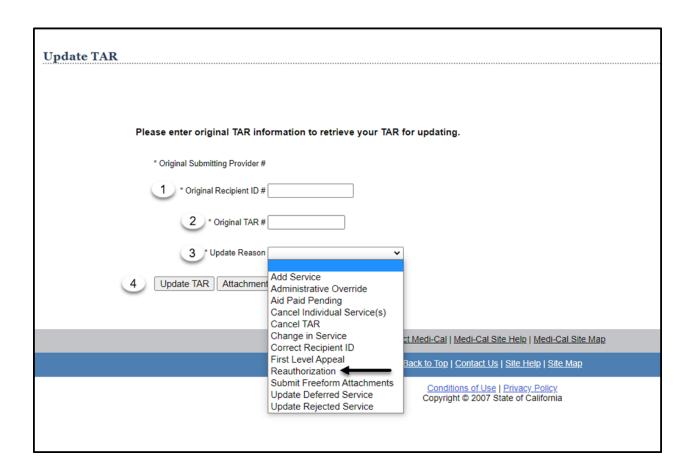
- The reject reason is due to prior TAR being "denied," you will need to request an Appeal TAR.
- The reject reason is due to failure to update a deferred TAR within the required 30-day timeframe. You must submit a new TAR.
- The reject reason is due to "TAR not required." You must use a "Special Handling Code" appropriate for the rejected service.

### Reauthorization Update Reason Code

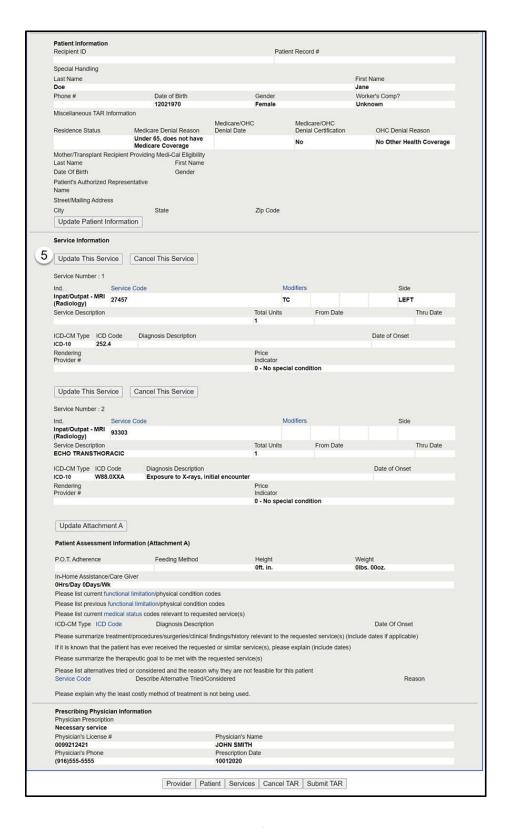
The Reauthorization update reason is used when additional units and/or extended dates are needed on an Approved or Modified TAR. However, some service categories do not allow reauthorizations for existing service lines. Refer to the appropriate Long-Term Care Part 2 Medi- Cal Provider Manual sections to determine if a reauthorization update is allowed for specific service categories.

**Note:** If previously approved units have not been used and you are requesting a change in date, use the Change in Service update reason.

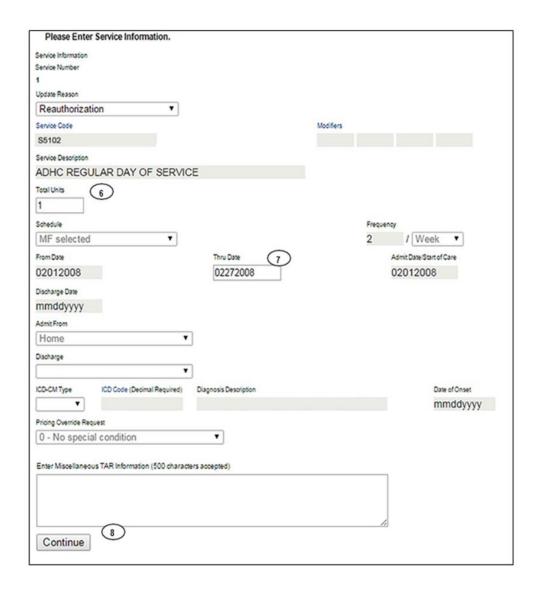
- 1. Enter the Original Recipient ID # submitted on the TAR. \*Required Field.
- 2. Enter the **Original TAR** # that was assigned by the system when the TAR was successfully submitted. \*Required Field.
- 3. Use the **Update Reason** dropdown to select *Reauthorization*. \*Required Field.
- 4. Select **Update TAR** to submit the reauthorization of the existing TAR.



5. Click **Update This Service** next to the service that needs to be reauthorized.

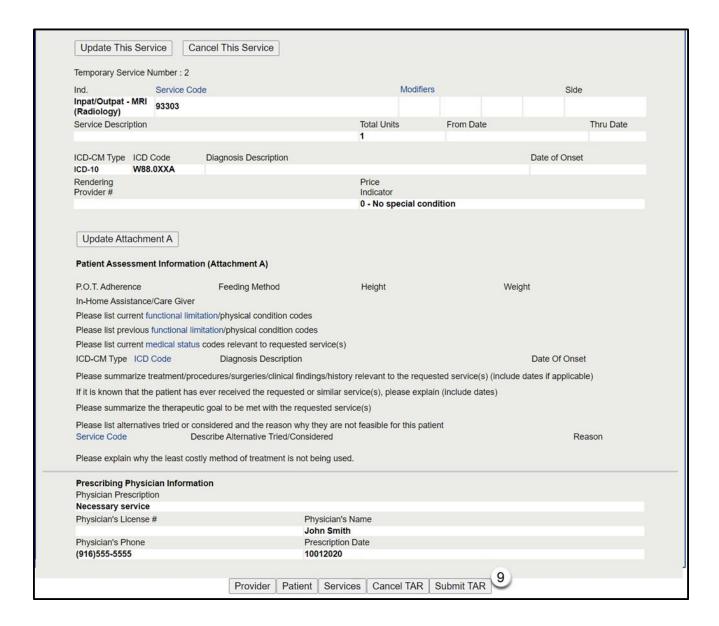


- 6. In the **Total Units** field, enter the total number of units being requested. New units are added to the existing approved units to reflect the new total number of units being requested. For example, add 2 units to the previously approved 1 unit. Enter 3 for the Total Units.
- 7. In the **Thru Date** field, enter the new extended thru dates of service.
- 8. Select Continue.



Note: Services related to Long Term Care (LTC) do not have a Total Units field to accumulate units. For this provider type only the **Thru Date** and **Enter**Miscellaneous TAR Information fields will be available for changes.

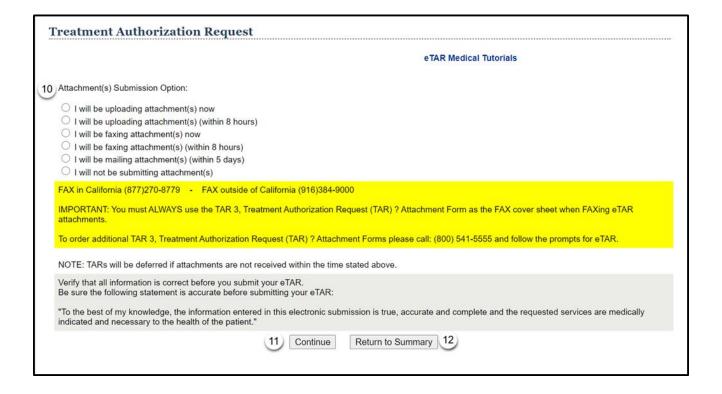
9. Click **Submit TAR** to continue the reauthorization.



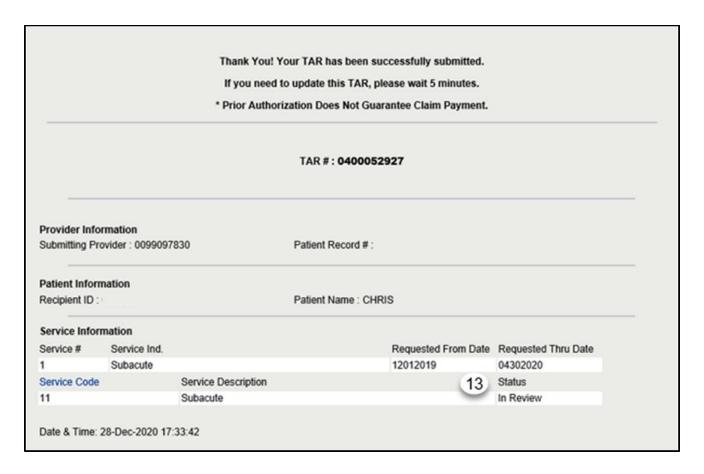
- 10. Select the appropriate **Attachment(s) Submission Option** radio button.
- 11. Click **Continue** to submit the eTAR for review.

#### <u>Or</u>

12. Click **Return to Summary** to return to the TAR Summary screen.



13. If the service line **Status** reflects "In Review," the request has been successfully updated. See Update Rejected Service section of this User Guide if the status reflects rejected.



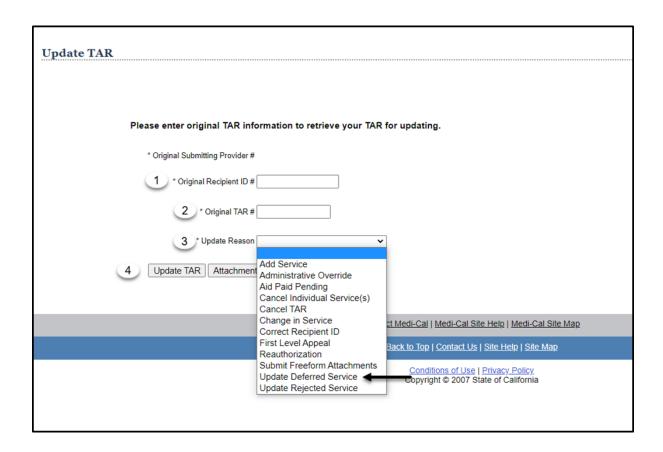
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# Update Deferred Service Update Reason Code

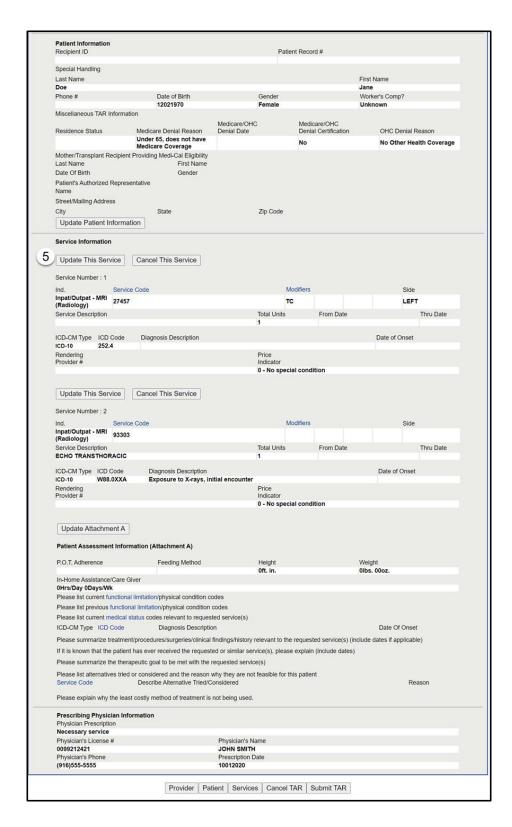
The Update Deferred Service update reason code is used to update service information on a TAR that has been deferred by the TAR field office. If the TAR was deferred solely for lack of attachments, submit the attachments and the system will then automatically update the TAR. Please see the "submit attachments" section for further instructions.

**Note:** The TAR will be denied if no update is received within 30 days of the date of deferral.

- 1. Enter the **Original Recipient ID #** submitted on the TAR. \*Required Field.
- 2. Enter the **Original TAR** # that was assigned by the system when the TAR was successfully submitted. \*Required Field.
- 3. Use the **Update Reason** dropdown to select *Update Deferred Service*. \*Required Field.
- 4. Select **Update TAR** to continue updating the deferred service on an existing TAR.

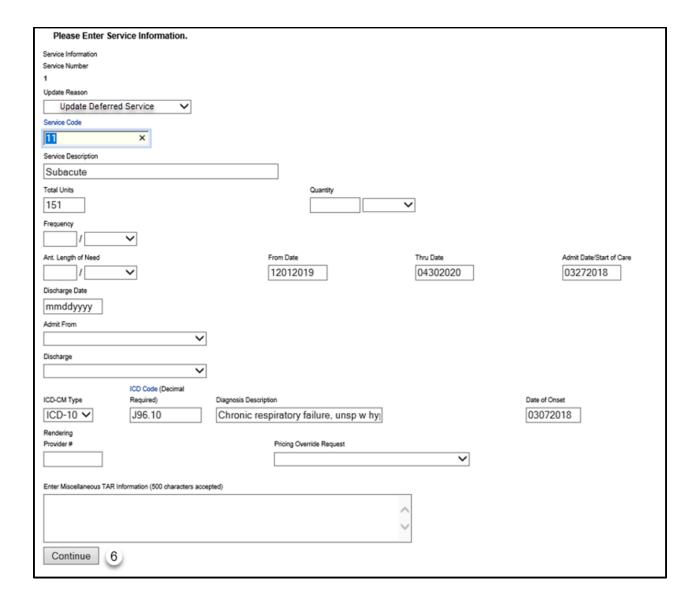


5. Select **Update This Service** located above the deferred service that requires updating.

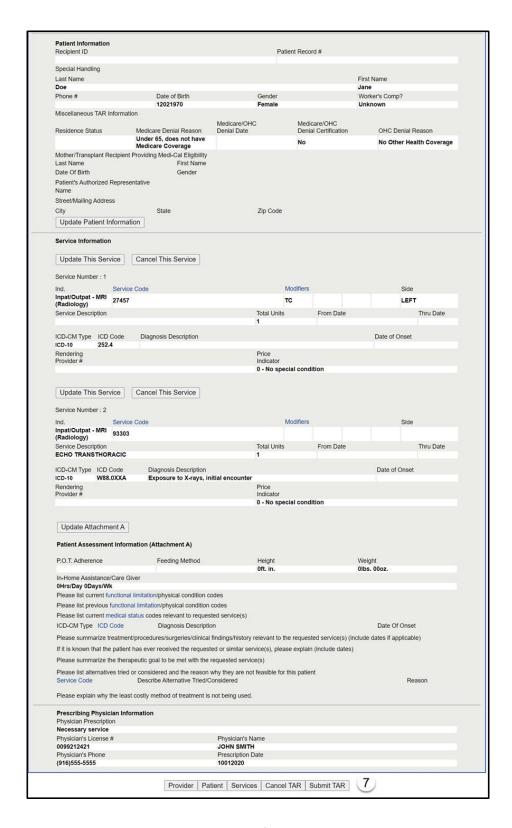


Update the information required for the selected service line that was deferred.

## 6. Click Continue.



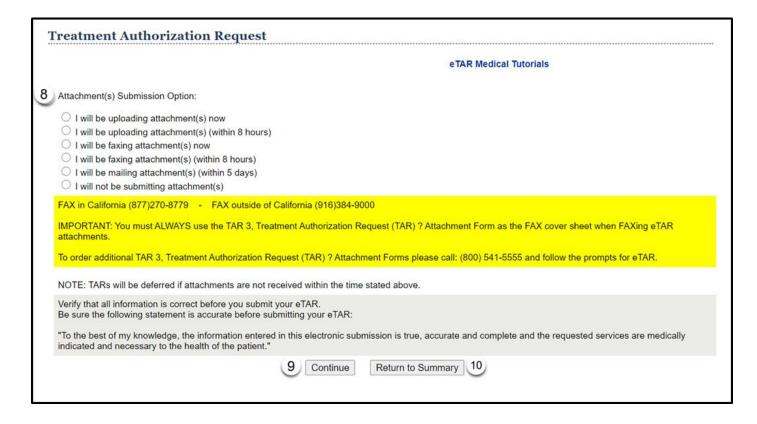
7. Click **Submit TAR** to continue updating the TAR.



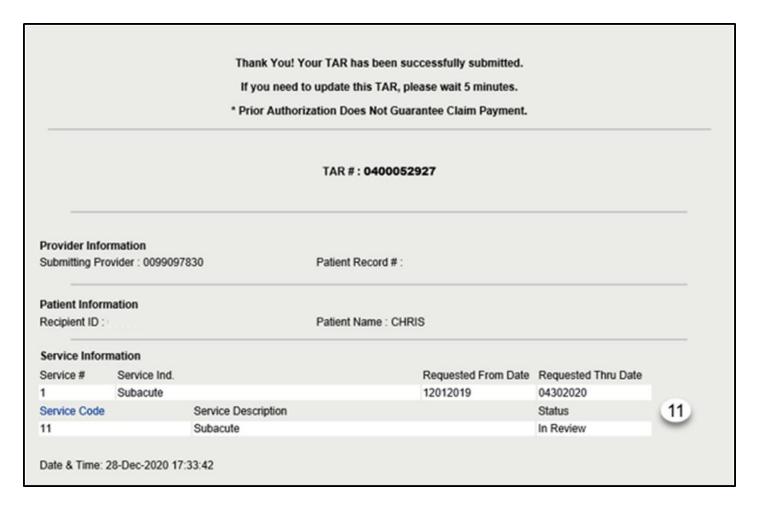
- 8. Select the appropriate **Attachment(s) Submission Option** radio button.
- 9. Click **Continue** to submit the eTAR for review.

#### <u>Or</u>

10. Click **Return to Summary** to return to the TAR Summary screen.



11. If the service line **Status** reflects "In Review," the eTAR has been successfully updated. If the status reflects "Rejected," see Update Rejected Service section in this User Guide for more information.



**Note:** This screen is the only place and time that the update reason code is displayed, and it is important to take a screenshot or make a note of the error message that needs to be corrected.

# Update Rejected Service Update Reason Code

The Update Rejected Service update reason code is used to correct Rejected service lines.

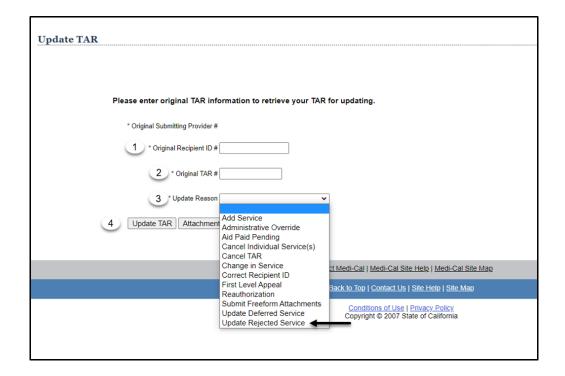
**Note:** If the rejected message is due to the Recipient ID being invalid, the provider must use "Correct Recipient ID" as the update reason.

If the reject reason is due to prior TAR being "denied," you will need to request an Appeal TAR.

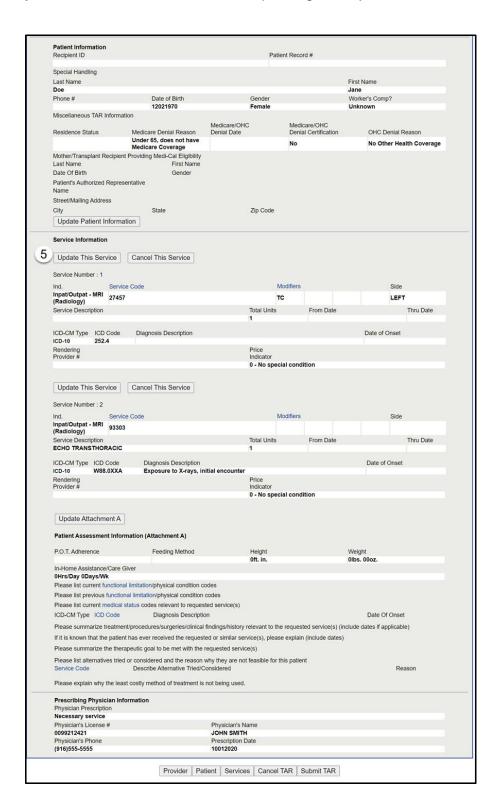
If the prior denial was due to failure to update a deferred TAR within the required 30-day timeframe, you must submit a new TAR.

If the reject reason is due to "TAR not required," you must use a "Special Handling Code" appropriate for the rejected service.

- 1. Enter the **Original Recipient ID #** submitted on the TAR. \*Required Field.
- 2. Enter the **Original TAR** # that was assigned by the system when the TAR was successfully submitted. \*Required Field.
- 3. Use the **Update Reason** dropdown to select *Update Rejected Service*. \*Required Field.
- 4. Select **Update TAR** to update a rejected service on an existing TAR.

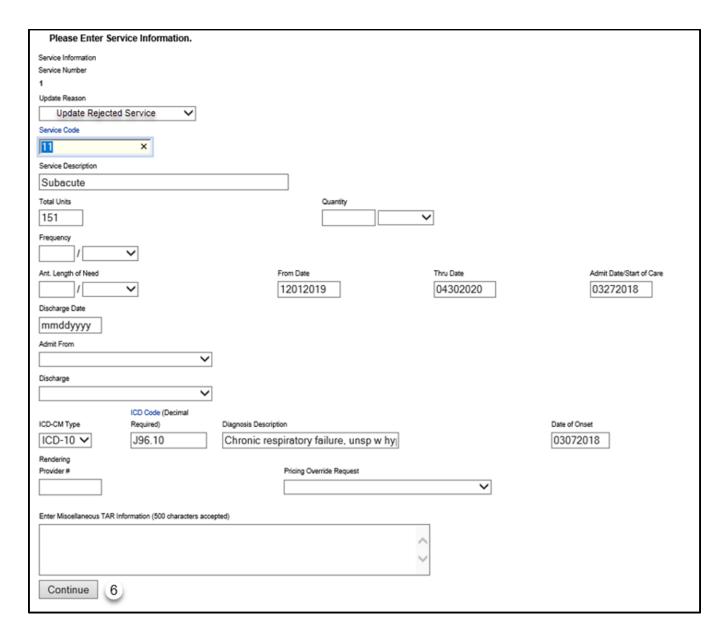


5. Click the **Update This Service** to continue updating the rejected service.

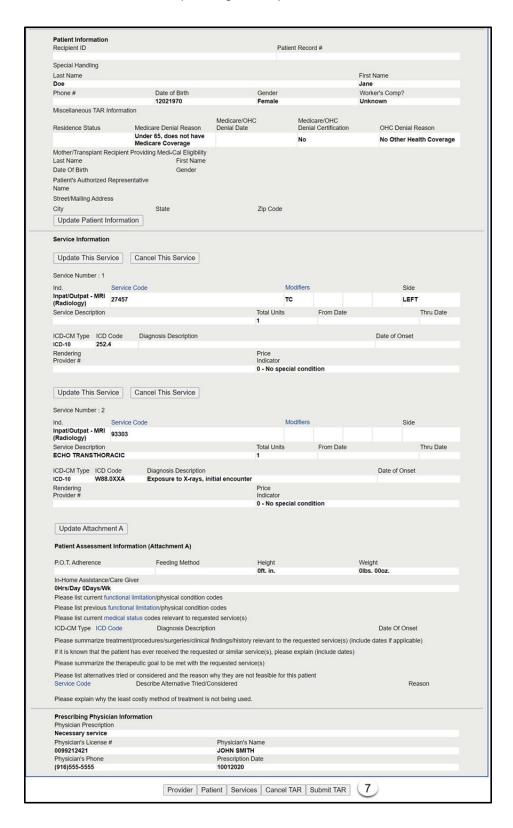


Change information on the selected service line that was rejected.

### 6. Click Continue.



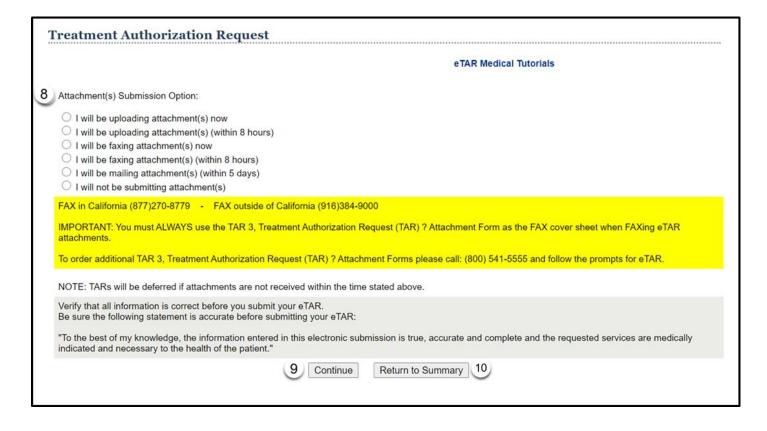
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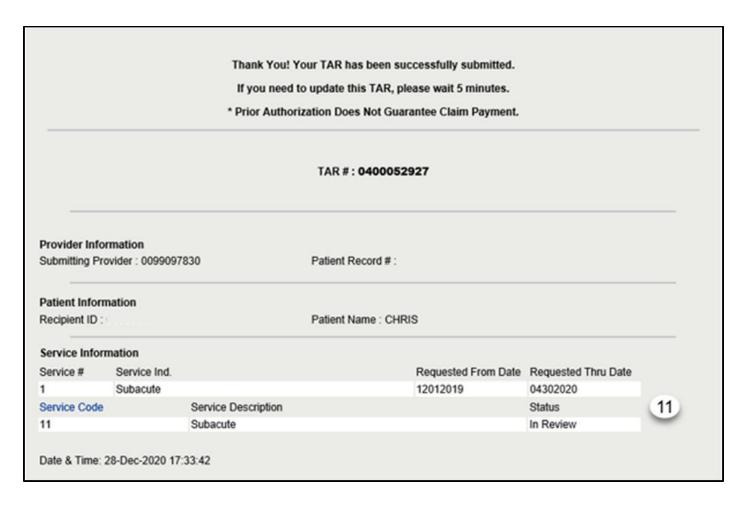
- 8. Select the appropriate Attachment(s) Submission Option radio button.
- 9. Click Continue to submit the eTAR for review.

#### Or

10. Click **Return to Summary** to return to the TAR Summary screen.



11. If the service line **Status** reflects "In Review," the status has been successfully updated. Return to this section again if the status is rejected.

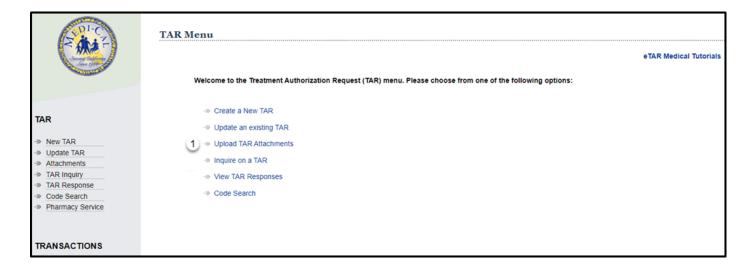


**Note:** This screen is the only place and time that the update reason code is displayed, and it is important to take a screenshot or make a note of the error message that needs to be corrected.

# **Submit Attachments**

## **Upload Attachments Online**

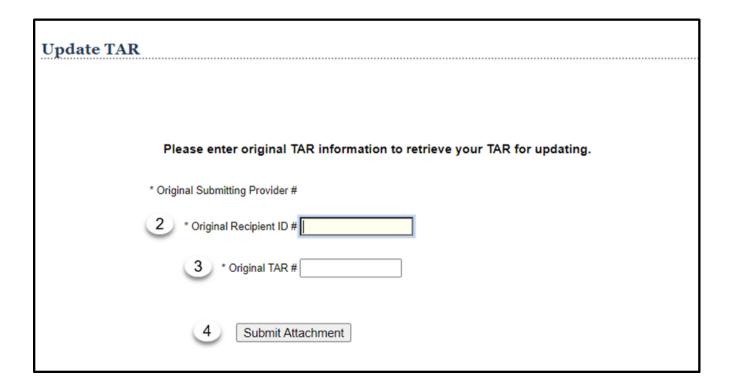
1. Click Upload TAR Attachments.



The NPI used to log in to Transaction Services will automatically populate in the **Original Submitting Provider #** field.

**Note:** If attachments need to be uploaded under a different provider number, log out and log in using the correct provider number. Legacy number usage is permitted only to providers authorized by DHCS.

- 2. Enter the Original Recipient ID # submitted on the TAR. \*Required Field.
- 3. Enter the **Original TAR** # that was assigned by the system when the TAR was successfully submitted. \*Required Field.
- 4. Click Submit Attachment.



5. Click **Continue** to submit online attachments.

#### <u>Or</u>

6. Click Cancel TAR Update to return to the TAR menu.

# Treatment Authorization Request The information you entered has passed validation. Click on Continue to send your attachments or Cancel to return to the TAR Menu. Verify that all information is correct before you submit your eTAR. Be sure the following statement is accurate before submitting your eTAR: "To the best of my knowledge, the information entered in this electronic submission is true, accurate and complete and the requested services are medically indicated and necessary to the health of the patient." 5 Continue Cancel TAR Update 6

Online attachments must be uploaded in either .jpg, .jpeg, .gif, .png, .tif, .bmp, .pdf, or .txt file format to be accepted by California MMIS Fiscal Intermediary. Attachments <u>cannot</u> exceed more than 20MB combined. California MMIS Fiscal Intermediary recommends that image attachments be grayscale.

**Note:** The NPI is populated automatically in the **Provider ID** field.

7. Click **Browse** to locate the document that is saved on your computer to upload as an attachment.

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8. Find the appropriate file on your computer to upload. Click **Open** to load the file.



9. Click **Upload Files** to submit attachments. Continue steps 7-8 until all necessary files are uploaded

## <u>Or</u>

10. Click **Reset** to clear all files.

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A confirmation message appears after uploading file(s) and contains the file name, tracking number, as well as the start and end times of the uploaded attachment.

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The attachment was saved successfully.

Please verify the following information about your attachment file(s); D:/Documents and Settings/zzwrq0/Desktop/patient assessment.jpg

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**Note:** It is important that you make a note of the tracking number and capture a screen print before stepping out of this screen because the tracking number will not be saved.

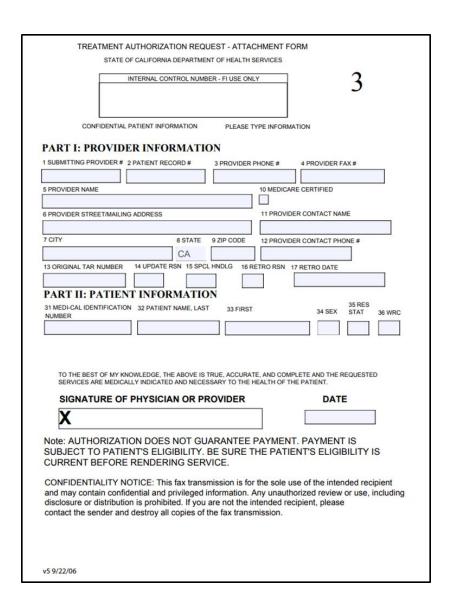
Select **Return to TAR Menu** to return to the TAR Main Menu. To add additional attachments, repeat this process.

## TAR 3 Attachment Form

The *TAR 3 Attachment Form* is used to submit attachments when eTARs are submitted by fax or mail.

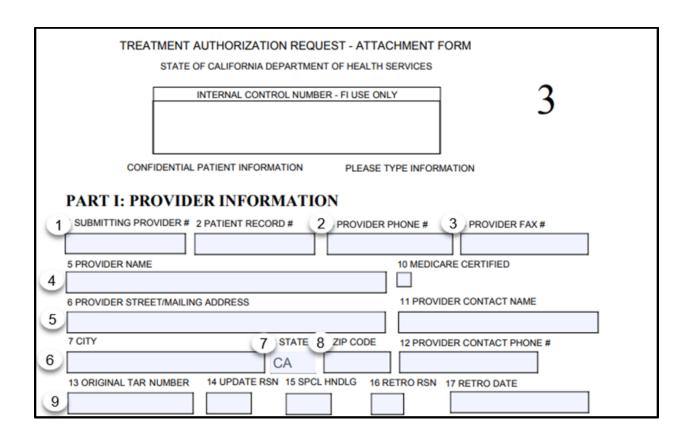
**Important:** The *TAR 3 Attachment Form* can be ordered by calling TSC at 1-800-541-5555 and following the appropriate prompts or by downloading the form from the eTAR tab. Use this form as the cover sheet for all faxed and mailed attachments. Do not use any other cover.

The TAR number must be indicated on the *TAR 3 Attachment Form* or the attachments will not attach to the TAR. This will require a resubmission.



The following fields are required on the *TAR 3 Attachment Form*. Type or print neatly.

- 1. Enter the **Submitting Provider #**. This number must match the information entered on the TAR.
- 2. Enter the **Provider Phone #**.
- 3. Enter the Provider Fax #.
- 4. Enter the **Provider Name** of the submitting provider.
- 5. Enter the **Provider Street/Mailing Address**.
- 6. Enter the **City**.
- 7. Enter the State.
- 8. Enter the **Zip Code**.
- 9. Enter the **Original TAR Number** associated with the attachments being submitted. The number assigned must match the TCN created by eTAR.



- 10. Enter the patient's **Medi-Cal Identification Number** submitted on the eTAR. This number must match the information entered on the eTAR.
- 11. Sign the attachment form at the Signature of Physician or Provider.

**Note:** Due to the *Internet/POS Network Agreement* form submission, the person completing the eTAR can provide this signature.

12. Enter the **Date** (mmddyyyy).

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## Download TAR 3 Attachment Form

13. Access the **eTAR** tab on the Transaction Services Menu to download the TAR 3 Attachment Form.



**Note:** The completed *TAR 3 Attachment Form* must be used as the cover sheet for faxes and mail.

## Attachment Submission

Use the completed TAR 3 Attachment Form as the cover sheet for either faxing or mailing.

**Fax** eTAR attachments to (877) 270-8779. If outside of California, fax eTAR attachments to (916) 384-9000.

Mail eTAR attachments to the following address:

Medi-Cal P.O. Box 526011 Sacramento, CA 95852

#### Notes:

- Attach the completed *TAR 3 Attachment Form* as the cover sheet for faxed and mailed attachments to mail and fax attachments.
- When faxing attachments for multiple TCNs, submit attachments for each TCN as its own fax. The fax system does not differentiate attachments for different TAR numbers when sent together as a single fax.
- It is important to turn off batching function options or auto coversheet options on the fax machines used.
- Overnight delivery or FedEx cannot be used. A signature is required upon delivery and mailed attachments arrive to a P.O. Box.

# Inquire on a TAR

## TAR Inquiry

 Select the Inquire on a TAR link to view adjudication decisions and field office comments on a TAR. Both View TAR Responses and Inquire on a TAR provide the Pricing Indicator (PI) for an Approved or Modified TAR, which is required to submit a claim. The PI is the 11<sup>th</sup> digit of the TAR Control Number.



**Note:** Entering a rendering provider number on an eTAR will give the provider access to Inquire on a TAR.

## Inquire by TAR Number

The provider number used to log in to Transaction Services populates automatically. To view a TAR submitted under a different provider number, log out and log in using the correct provider number.

- 1. Enter the **TAR Number** to search for the appropriate TAR. Ignore all other fields.
- 2. Click **Continue** and a window appears.



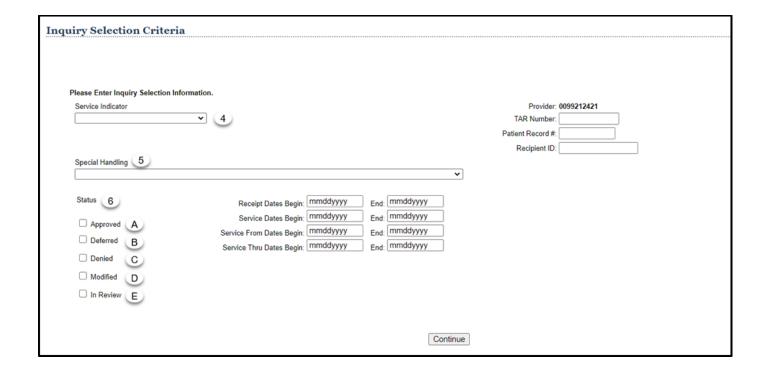
3. Click **OK** to proceed to the **Inquiry Selection** page.



## Inquire without TAR Number

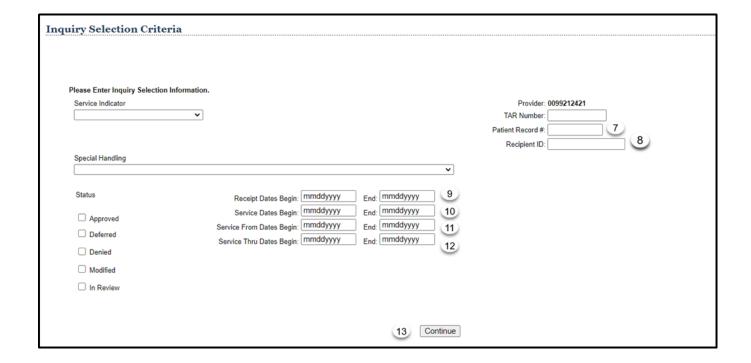
If a TCN is not available, use the fields for inquiry selection.

- 4. Use the **Service Indicator** dropdown to select the type of service for inquiry.
- 5. Use the **Special Handling** dropdown to select the special handling reason for inquiry.
- 6. Select the appropriate **Status** for the inquiry.
  - A. Click the **Approved** checkbox to view a list of approved TARs.
  - B. Click the **Deferred** checkbox to view a list of deferred TARs.
  - C. Click the **Denied** checkbox to view a list of denied TARs.
  - D. Click the **Modified** checkbox to view a list of modified TARs.
  - E. Click the In-Review checkbox to view a list of TARs waiting to be reviewed



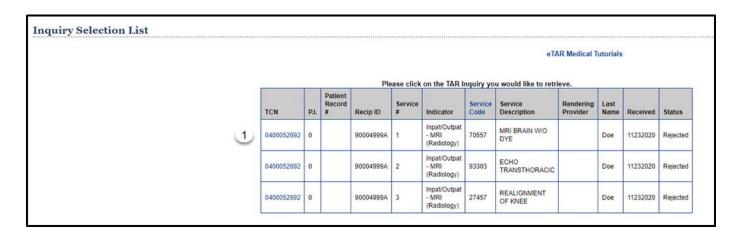
**Note:** More than one status may be selected at one time.

- 7. Enter the **Patient Record #** submitted on the TAR.
- 8. Enter the **Recipient ID** submitted on the TAR.
- 9. Enter a date range in the **Receipt Dates Begin** and **End** (mmddyyyy) field to search for TARs submitted on a specific date.
- 10. Enter a date range in the Service Dates Begin and End (mmddyyyy) field to search for TARs with specific service dates.
- 11. Enter a date range in the Service From Dates Begin and End (mmddyyyy) field to search for TARs with specific From dates.
- 12. Enter a date range in the Service Thru Dates Begin and End (mmddyyyy) field to search for TARs with specific Thru dates.
- 13. Select **Continue** to initiate the search.



# **Inquiry Selection List**

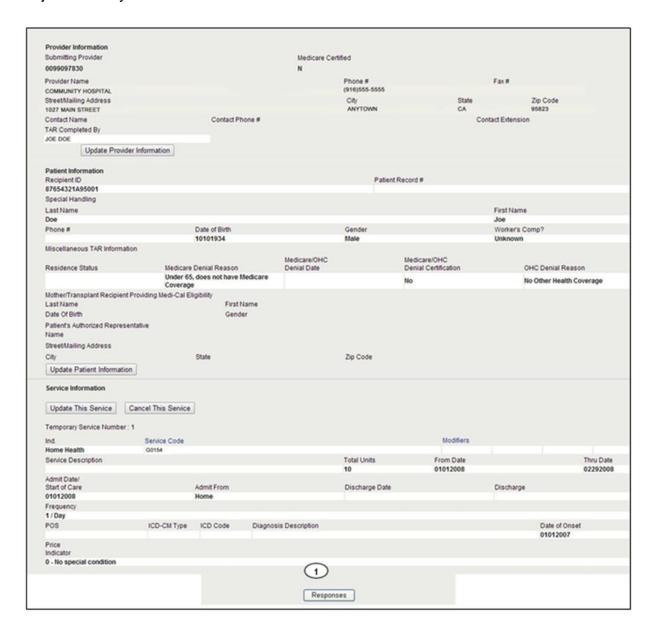
1. To view detailed TAR Response information, select the **TCN** for the appropriate TAR service line.



## View TAR Summary

From the TAR Inquiry page, view TAR information submitted on the TAR as well as the TAR's current status.

 Select Responses to view the reasons for adjudication of the TAR service lines and field office consultant comments. Responses are not available while the TAR is being adjudicated by field office reviewers.



## Response Selection List

- 2. Current and previously adjudicated versions of the TAR are listed on the **Response Selection List**. To view the current version, locate the most recent date in the **Response Date** column of the service line.
- 3. Select the **TCN** of the TAR service line to view the detailed TAR Response information.

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## TAR Response

- 1. The **PI** for each service line is shown on this page. This digit is required for submitting claims. Once the TAR is approved, the PI becomes the 11<sup>th</sup> digit of the TCN, which is used when submitting claims.
- 2. The **Action Reason List** provides specific reasons why the TAR service line was deferred, denied, modified or approved.
- 3. The **TAR Review Comments** displays comments entered by the Medi-Cal field office reviewer. See the Updating an Existing TAR section of this User Guide for more information.

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The TAR Response page is displayed to view specific information regarding the adjudication of the TAR.

4. A TAR that has been cancelled appears under Inquiry as approved with zero units. A TAR that has paid units then cancelled will show as approved with only the units paid on the TAR.

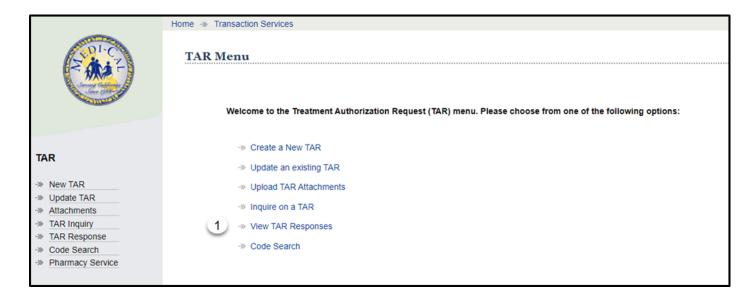
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**Note:** Generally, approved with zero units indicates a cancelled TAR. However, most LTC services will appear with zero units even when the TAR has not been cancelled.

# View TAR Responses

## TAR Response

 Select the View TAR Responses link to view adjudication decisions and field office comments on a TAR. Both TAR Inquiry and View TAR Responses provide the PI for an Approved or Modified TAR which is required to submit a claim. The PI becomes the 11<sup>th</sup> digit of the TAR Control Number.



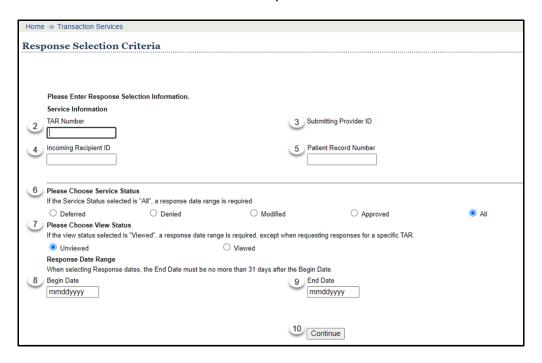
**Note:** Entering a rendering provider number on an eTAR gives the provider access to inquire on an eTAR.

## Selection Criteria

- 2. Enter the **TAR Number** to search for the appropriate TAR. If using the TAR number, no other fields are necessary and will be ignored.
- 3. The **Submitting Provider ID** will self-populate. To view a TAR submitted under a different provider number, log out and log in using the correct provider number.
- 4. Enter the **Incoming Recipient ID** submitted on the TAR.
- 5. Enter the **Patient Record Number** submitted on the TAR.
- 6. Select the **Deferred, Denied, Modified, Approved or All** radio button. If **All** is selected, enter a date range..

**Note:** Generally, approved with zero units indicates a cancelled TAR. However, most LTC services appear with zero units even when the TAR has not been cancelled.

- Select the **Unviewed** or **Viewed** radio button depending on whether the TAR response
  was previously viewed by others. It may be necessary to choose between unviewed and
  viewed to reveal all responses for the TAR.
- 8. Enter the **Begin Date** (mmddyyyy) for the requested start of service date.
- 9. Enter the **End Date** (mmddyyyy) for the requested end of service date. When using response dates, the End Date must be no more than 31 days after Begin Date.
- 10. Click **Continue** once the information is complete.



# Response Selection List

1. To view detailed TAR Response information, select the **TCN** for the appropriate TAR service.

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0400026184	1	SKILLED NURSING SERVICES	Approved		01042018

## View TAR Response

- 1. The **PI** for each service line is shown on this page. This digit is required for submitting claims. Once the TAR is approved, the PI becomes the 11<sup>th</sup> digit of the TCN for submitting claims.
- 2. The **Action Reason List** provides specific reasons why the TAR service line was Deferred, Denied, Modified or Approved.
- 3. The **TAR Review Comments** displays comments entered by the Medi-Cal field office reviewer. See the Updating an Existing TAR section of this User Guide for more information.

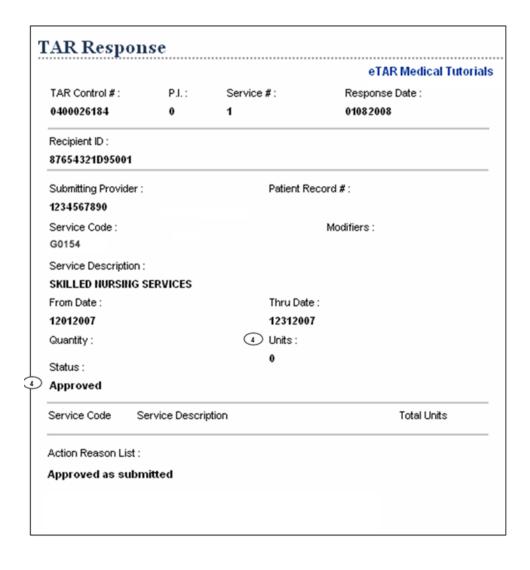
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TAR Review Comme	nts:		

#### View TAR Response (Cont.)

The TAR Response screen is displayed to view specific information regarding the adjudication of the TAR.

4. A TAR that has been cancelled appears under Inquiry as approved with zero units.

A TAR that has paid units then cancelled will show as approved but with only the units paid on the TAR.

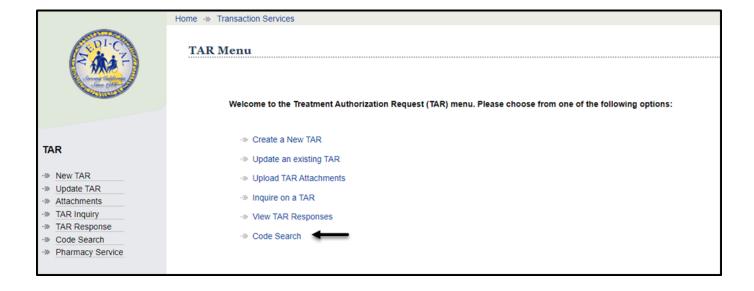


**Note:** Generally, approved with zero units indicates a cancelled TAR. However, most LTC services appear with zero units even when the TAR has not been cancelled.

## TAR Menu Code Search

### Accessing Code Search

A Code Search may be accessed from the TAR Menu. Select Code Search to begin.



### **Using Code Search**

- 1. Select the appropriate code type from the **Please choose the type of code to search for:** to search for the following types of codes or descriptions:
  - Select the **Procedure** radio button to search for procedure codes. The Medi-Cal Provider Manual is the final resource to determine if a TAR is required.
  - Select the Modifier radio button to search for a modifier code.
  - Select the **Accommodation** radio button when submitting Long Term Care services code.
  - Select the Level of Care radio button when submitting Long Term Care or Hospital Day services codes.
  - Select the appropriate **Diagnosis** radio button when submitting ICD codes.
  - Select the Functional Limits radio button to search for functional limitation codes.
  - Select the Medical Status radio button for medical status codes. Select the Get Service Category from Service Code radio button to determine what service category to select based on the service code.
- 2. Select the appropriate type of search under **Please choose the type of search**:
  - Click the **Search by Description** radio button when the service code is unknown.
  - Click the Search by Code radio button when the description is unknown.
- 3. In the blank **Please enter text to search for**: field, enter the description or code.
- 4. Click **Search** to complete the search function.



### Code Search List

5. A list of all codes and associated descriptions that match the search criteria are displayed.

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Code	Description	Type	TAR Indicator
G0152	HHCP-SERV OF OT,EA 15 MIN	SMA/HCPCS	POS/Provider Depend., May Require TAR OR
			Medi Reservation
G0151	HHCP-SERV OF PT,EA 15 MIN	SMA/HCPCS	POS/Provider Depend., May Require TAR OR
			Medi Reservation
G0156	HHCP-SVS OF AIDE,EA 15 MIN	SMA/HCPCS	TAR Required
G0155	HHCP-SVS OF CSW,EA 15 MIN	SMA/HCPCS	POS/Provider Depend., May Require TAR OR
			Medi Reservation
G0154	HHCP-SVS OF RN,EA 15 MIN	AIDS Waiver	Generally No TAR, Subject to Billing
			Limitations
G0154	HHCP-SVS OF RN,EA 15 MIN	SMA/HCPCS	Generally No TAR, Subject to Billing
			Limitations
G0153	HHCP-SVS OF S/L PATH,EA 15MN	SMA/HCPCS	POS/Provider Depend., May Require TAR OR
			Medi Reservation

# **Appendix**

## Acronyms

Acronym	Description
AEVS	Automated Eligibility Verification System
ALLOW	Allowed
AMT	Amount
A/R	Accounts Receivable
BIC	Benefits Identification Card
CCN	Claim Control Number
CIF	Claims Inquiry Form
CIN	Client Index Number
CMC	Computer Media Claims
CMS	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
CNM	Certified Nurse Midwife
COBC	Coordination of Benefits Contractor
CPT-4	Current Procedural Terminology 4th Edition
CWF	Common Working File
DHCS	Department of Health Care Services
DOB	Date of Birth
DOI	Date of Issue
DOS	Date of Service
E&M	Evaluation and Management
EMG	Emergency
EOB	Explanation of Benefits
EOMB	Explanation of Medicare Benefits
ERA	Electronic Remittance Advice

#### **Acronyms (continued)**

Acronym	Description
FI	Fiscal Intermediary; contractor for DHCS responsible for claims processing, provider services, and other fiscal operations of the Medi-Cal program
GHI	Group Health Incorporated
НСР	Health Care Plan
HCPCS	Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System
HHS	Department of Health and Human Services
HIC	Health Insurance Claim
НМО	Health Maintenance Organization
ID	Identification
IP	Inpatient Services
LTC	Long Term Care
MAC	Medicare Administrative Contractor
MCP	Managed Care Plan
MAPD	Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug
MNSIRA	Medicare National Standard Intermediary Remittance Advice
MREP	Medicare Remit Easy Print Software
MRN	Medicare Remittance Notice
MSA	Medi-Cal Savings Account
NCCI	National Correct Coding Initiative
NMP	Non-Physician Medical Practitioner
NF	Nursing Facility
NP	Nurse Practitioner
PA	Physician Assistant
PC	Personal Computer
PDP	Prescription Drug Plan
PFFS	Private Fee-For-Service
POE	Proof of Eligibility
POS	Point of Service
PPO	Preferred Provider Organization

#### **Acronyms (continued)**

Acronym	Description
QMB	Qualified Medicare Beneficiary
RA	Remittance Advice
RAD	Remittance Advice Details
REIMB	Reimbursable
RTD	Resubmission Turnaround Document
SNP	Special Needs Plan
SOC	Share of Cost
SSA	Social Security Administration
SSL	Secure Socket Layer
SSN	Social Security Number
TAR	Treatment Authorization Request
TCN	TAR Control Number
TSC	Telephone Service Center

## Appendix A: eTAR Glossary

## Medical Status Codes and Descriptions

Code	Description
001	Symptom control: Asymptomatic, no treatment needed at this time
002	Symptom control: well controlled with current therapy
003	Symptom control: Difficult, affects ADLs; patient needs ongoing monitoring
004	Symptom control: Poor, patient needs frequent adjustment
005	Symptom control: Poor, history of hospitalizations
011	IV: hydration only
012	IV: chemotherapy
013	IV: blood/blood products
014	IV medication: continuous with/without pump
015	IV medication: intermittent with/without pump
016	IV medication: bolus
017	Parenteral nutrition (TPN or lipids): central
018	Parenteral nutrition (TPN or lipids): peripheral
019	Enteral nutrition (ng, g-tube, jejunostomy, other artificial entry into alimentary canal)
021	Drainage tube: Chest
022	Drainage tube: Nasogastric
023	Drainage tube: Gastrostomy
024	Drainage tube: Jackson Pratt
025	Drainage tube: Hemovac
026	Drainage tube: Urinary
027	Drainage tube: Intracranial/ intraventricular
031	Prognosis: Little or no recovery is expected and/or further decline is imminent
032	Prognosis: Partial to full recovery is expected

Code	Description
033	Prognosis: Minimal improvement in functional status is expected, decline is possible
034	Prognosis: Marked improvement in functional status is expected
035	Life expectancy: greater than 6 months
036	Life expectancy: 6 months or fewer
041	Pain Description: Aching
042	Pain Description: Throbbing
043	Pain Description: Constant
044	Pain Description: Intermittent
045	Pain Description: Sharp
046	Pain Description: Dull
047	Pain Description: Widespread
048	Pain Description: Localized
049	Pain Description: Intractable
061	Pain Location: Abdominal
062	Pain Location: Chest
063	Pain Location: Back
064	Pain Location: Head
065	Pain Location: Face
066	Pain Location: Ear
067	Pain Location: Eye
068	Pain Location: Mouth
069	Pain Location: Throat
070	Pain Location: Neck
071	Pain Location: Foot
072	Pain Location: Leg
073	Pain Location: Hand
074	Pain Location: Arm
075	Pain Location: Pelvis
076	Pain Location: Hip

Code	Description
077	Pain Location: Buttocks
078	Pain Location: Perineal/Genital Area
079	Pain Location: Joints (generalized)
081	Pain Frequency: Less often than daily
082	Pain Frequency: Daily, but not constantly
083	Pain Frequency: Constantly
091	Pain Management: No current pain management
092	Pain management: Non-medication methods
093	Pain management: Oral analgesics
094	Pain management: Topical analgesics
095	Pain management: IM analgesics
096	Pain management: IV analgesics
097	Pain Management: Pump analgesia (chronic)
099	Pain management: Combination (oral/topical/IM/IV)
101	Lesion: Head/torso, front
102	Lesion: Head/torso, back
103	Lesion: LUE
104	Lesion: RUE
105	Lesion: LLE
106	Lesion: RLE
111	Open wound(s), head/torso, front
112	Open wound(s), head/torso, front: not healing
113	Open wound(s), head/torso, back
114	Open wound(s), head/torso, back: not healing
115	Open wound(s), LUE
116	Open wound(s), LUE: not healing
117	Open wound(s), RUE
118	Open wound(s), RUE: not healing
119	Open wound(s), LLE

Code	Description
120	Open wound(s), LLE, not healing
121	Open wound(s), RLE
122	Open wound(s), RLE: not healing
131	Surgical wound(s), head/torso, front
132	Surgical wound(s), head/torso, front: not healing
133	Surgical wound(s), head/torso, back
134	Surgical wound(s), head/torso, back: not healing
135	Surgical wound(s), LUE
136	Surgical wound(s), LUE: not healing
137	Surgical wound(s), RUE
138	Surgical wound(s), RUE: not healing
139	Surgical wound(s), LLE
140	Surgical wound(s), LLE, not healing
141	Surgical wound(s), RLE
142	Surgical wound(s), RLE: not healing
151	Pressure ulcer(s), head/torso, front: worst ulcer = Stage I
152	Pressure ulcer(s), head/torso, front: worst ulcer = Stage II
153	Pressure ulcer(s), head/torso, front: worst ulcer = Stage III
154	Pressure ulcer(s), head/torso, front: worst ulcer = Stage IV
155	Pressure ulcer(s), head/torso, back: worst ulcer = Stage I
156	Pressure ulcer(s), head/torso, back: worst ulcer = Stage II
157	Pressure ulcer(s), head/torso, back: worst ulcer = Stage III
158	Pressure ulcer(s), head/torso, back: worst ulcer = Stage IV
159	Pressure ulcer(s), LUE: worst ulcer = Stage I
160	Pressure ulcer(s), LUE: worst ulcer = Stage II
161	Pressure ulcer(s), LUE: worst ulcer = Stage III
162	Pressure ulcer(s), LUE: worst ulcer = Stage IV
163	Pressure ulcer(s), RUE: worst ulcer = Stage I
164	Pressure ulcer(s), RUE: worst ulcer = Stage II

Code	Description
165	Pressure ulcer(s), RUE: worst ulcer = Stage III
166	Pressure ulcer(s), RUE: worst ulcer = Stage IV
167	Pressure ulcer(s), LLE: worst ulcer = Stage I
168	Pressure ulcer(s), LLE: worst ulcer = Stage II
169	Pressure ulcer(s), LLE: worst ulcer = Stage III
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172	Pressure ulcer(s), RLE: worst ulcer = Stage II
173	Pressure ulcer(s), RLE: worst ulcer = Stage III
174	Pressure ulcer(s), RLE: worst ulcer = Stage IV
181	Stasis ulcer(s), head/torso, front
182	Stasis ulcer(s), head/torso, front: not healing
183	Stasis ulcer(s), head/torso, back
184	Stasis ulcer(s), head/torso, back: not healing
185	Stasis ulcer(s), LUE
186	Stasis ulcer(s), LUE: not healing
187	Stasis ulcer(s), RUE
188	Stasis ulcer(s), RUE: not healing
189	Stasis ulcer(s), LLE
190	Stasis ulcer(s), LLE: not healing
191	Stasis ulcer(s), RLE
192	Stasis ulcer(s), RLE: not healing
301	Breathing sounds: Clear
302	Breathing sounds: Decreased
303	Breathing sounds: Increased
304	Breathing sounds: Dullness
305	Breathing sounds: Rales
306	Breathing sounds: Rhonchi
307	Breathing sounds: Wheezing, expiratory

Code	Description
308	Breathing sounds: Wheezing, inspiratory
311	Dyspneic or noticeably SOB: walking > 20 feet
312	Dyspneic or noticeably SOB: moderate exertion (while dressing, toileting, walking < 20 feet)
313	Dyspneic or noticeably SOB: minimal exertion (while eating, talking, or performing other ADLs)
314	Dyspneic or noticeably SOB: at rest
315	Dyspneic or noticeably SOB: Orthopneic
321	Chest pain: with radiation to RUE/LUE
322	Chest pain: progressive
323	Chest pain: on exertion
324	Chest pain: at rest
330	Residential respiratory treatments: oxygen: intermittent
331	Residential respiratory treatments: oxygen: continuous
332	Residential respiratory treatments: oxygen: at night
333	Residential respiratory treatments: ventilator: continuously
334	Residential respiratory treatments: ventilator: intermittent
335	Residential respiratory treatments: ventilator: at night
336	Residential respiratory treatments: percussion & drainage: intermittent
337	Residential respiratory treatments: percussion & drainage: infrequently
338	Residential respiratory treatments: suctioning: oral
339	Residential respiratory treatments: suctioning: nasopharyngeal
340	Residential respiratory treatments: suctioning: tracheostomy
341	Residential respiratory treatments: nebulizer with medication
342	Residential respiratory treatments: metered dose inhalers
343	Residential respiratory treatments: oximeter
344	Residential respiratory treatments: CPAP
345	Residential respiratory treatments: Bi-PAP
346	Residential respiratory treatments: air mist
347	Residential respiratory treatments: IPPB

Code	Description
348	Residential respiratory treatments: apnea/cardiac monitor
351	Cardiac: palpitation: regular
352	Cardiac: palpitation: irregular
353	Cardiac: palpitation: paroxysmal
354	Cardiac: arrhythmia
355	Cardiac: tachycardia
356	Cardiac: bradycardia
357	Cardiac: pacemaker
361	Bowel: incontinence: occasional
362	Bowel: incontinence: frequent
363	Bowel: incontinence: total
364	Bowel: Patient has ostomy for bowel elimination
365	Bowel: Blood in stool (melena)
366	Bowel: Constipation
367	Bowel: Diarrhea
371	Urinary: incontinence: occasional
372	Urinary: incontinence: frequent
373	Urinary: incontinence: total
374	Urinary: Intermittent catheterization
375	Urinary: Foley catheter (indwelling)
376	Urinary: Condom catheter
377	Urinary: Urostomy
378	Urinary: Urinary conduit
379	Urinary: Indwelling/suprapubic catheter
380	Urinary: stents
381	Urinary: Urinary tract infection
382	Urinary: Blood in urine (hematura)
391	Allergy: None known
392	Allergy: penicillins

Code	Description
393	Allergy: tetracycline
394	Allergy: sulphonamides
395	Allergy: other antibiotics
396	Allergy: anticholinergic
397	Allergy: anti-epileptics
398	Allergy: animal serum
399	Allergy: pollen
400	Allergy: Latex
401	Allergy: analgesics
402	Allergy: anti-rheumatics
411	Risk factor: Smoking
412	Risk factor: Obesity
413	Risk factor: Eating disorder
414	Risk factor: Alcohol dependency
415	Risk factor: Drug dependency
416	Risk factor: SIDS sibling
417	Risk factor: Strong family history of high risk factors
421	General patient condition: Pregnancy
422	General patient condition: Implanted medical device (non-pacemaker)
423	General patient condition: Coughing
424	General patient condition: Blood in sputum (hemoptysis)
425	General patient condition: Nausea and vomiting
426	General patient condition: Vomit with blood (hematemisis)
427	General patient condition: Sleep Apnea
428	General patient condition: Syncope
429	General patient condition: Dizziness/lightheadedness
430	General patient condition: Fever (febrile)
431	General patient condition: Jaundiced
432	General patient condition: Cyanosis

Code	Description
433	General patient condition: Seizures
434	General patient condition: Tremors
435	General patient condition: Edema: generalized
436	General patient condition: Edema: peripheral
437	General patient condition: Tinnitus
438	General patient condition: Herniated disk
439	General patient condition: Clubbing
451	Patient behavior: Sleep disturbances
452	Patient behavior: Recent change in appetite
453	Patient behavior: Disruptive, infantile or socially inappropriate behavior: nonverbal
454	Patient behavior: Disruptive, infantile or socially inappropriate behavior: verbal
455	Patient behavior: Physical aggression towards self
456	Patient behavior: physical aggression towards others
457	Patient behavior: Suicide attempt
458	Patient behavior: Flat affect
459	Patient behavior: Mood changes
460	Patient behavior: Tearful
461	Patient behavior: Delusional
462	Patient behavior: Hallucinations
463	Patient behavior: Paranoid
464	Patient behavior: Anxiety
465	Patient behavior: Fearful
466	Patient behavior: Wandering episodes

## Appendix B: eTAR Glossary

## Functional Limitation Codes and Descriptions

Ambulation: Independent: steady gait Ambulation: Independent: unsteady gait Ambulation: Independent: history of falls Ambulation: Independent: limited distance (less than 20 feet) Ambulation: Requires use of device to walk alone Ambulation: assistance: cane Ambulation: assistance: crutches Ambulation: assistance: braces Ambulation: assistance: prosthesis Ambulation: assistance: walker Ambulation: assistance: human help needed for steps or uneven surface Ambulation: assistance: human help needed to walk at all times Ambulation: assistance: human help needed to stand Ambulation: wheelchair-bound: independent Ambulation: wheelchair-bound: unable to wheel self Ambulation: bed-bound: positions self Ambulation: bed-bound: requires assistance to position Ambulation: bed-bound: requires mechanical assistance to leave bed Physical limitation: quadriplegia Physical limitation: left hemiplegia Physical limitation: right hemiplegia Physical limitation: bilateral amputee: lower extremities Physical limitation: amputee: LLE	Code	Description
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538	Physical limitation: amputee: RLE			
539	Physical limitation: amputee: LUE			
540	Physical limitation: amputee: RUE			
541	Physical limitation: contracture(s): LLE			
542	Physical limitation: contracture(s): RLE			
543	Physical limitation: contracture(s): LUE			
544	Physical limitation: contracture(s): RUE			
545	Physical limitation: generalized weakness			
546	Physical limitation: weakness: right side			
547	Physical limitation: weakness: left side			
548	Physical limitation: weakness: bilateral lower extremities			
549	Physical limitation: weakness: bilateral upper extremities			
550	Physical limitation: limited ROM: head/neck			
551	Physical limitation: limited ROM: trunk			
552	Physical limitation: limited ROM: LLE			
553	Physical limitation: limited ROM: RLE			
554	Physical limitation: limited ROM: LUE			
555	Physical limitation: limited ROM: RUE			
561	Vision: sees clearly using eyeglasses			
562	Vision: sees clearly using contact lenses			
563	Vision: minimally impaired: sees objects clearly, cannot read print			
564	Vision: partially impaired: sees shapes, objects			
565	Vision: severely impaired: sees light/dark, some shapes			
566	Vision: blind: one eye			
567	Vision: blind: both eyes			
571	Hearing/comprehension: no deficits, naturally or with a hearing aid			
572	Hearing/comprehension: moderate deficits: one-step instruction and brief conversation			
573	Hearing/comprehension: severe deficits: simple greetings and short comments			

Code	Description				
574	Hearing/comprehension: severe deficits: unable to hear and understand consistently				
575	Hearing/comprehension: deaf				
576	Hearing/comprehension: cochlear implant				
581	Communication: nonverbal				
582	Communication: device: board				
583	Communication: device: writing				
584	Communication: device: instrument/mechanical/computer				
585	Communication: American Sign Language				
586	Communication: speech: slurred				
587	Communication: speech: stutters				
588	Communication: speech: aphasia: sensory				
589	Communication: speech: aphasia motor				
590	Communication: speech: minimal difficulty expressing ideas and needs				
591	Communication: speech: moderate difficulty expressing simple ideas or needs				
592	Communication: speech: severe difficulty expressing basic ideas or needs				
593	Communication: speech: interpreter required				
594	Communication: unable to express basic needs but is not comatose or unresponsive				
595	Communication: patient is non-responsive				
601	Cognitive functioning alert				
602	Cognitive functioning: oriented				
603	Cognitive functioning: impaired decision-making				
604	Cognitive functioning: requires prompting under stressful or unfamiliar condition				
605	Cognitive functioning: requires assistance and direction in specific situations				
607	Cognitive functioning: requires considerable assistance in routine situations				
608	Cognitive functioning: disorientation, coma, persistent, vegetative state or delirium				
609	Confusion: new or complex situations				
610	Confusion: upon awakening or at night				
611	Confusion: during sundown/twilight				

Code	Description				
612	Confused: constantly				
613	Memory deficit: failure to recognize familiar persons or places				
614	Memory deficit: inability to recall events of past 24 hours				
615	Memory deficit: to the extent that supervision is required				
621	Feeding/Eating: independent				
622	Feeding/Eating: requires meal set-up				
623	Feeding/Eating: requires intermittent aid or supervision				
624	Feeding/Eating: requires total feeding assistance/supervision				
625	Feeding/Eating: mechanical soft diet				
626	Feeding/Eating: liquid/pureed diet				
627	Feeding/Eating: takes in nutrients orally AND receives oral supplements				
628	Feeding/Eating: takes in nutrients orally AND receives enteral supplements				
629	Feeding/Eating: total enteral nutrition (ng. g-tube, j-tube, other)				
630	Feeding/Eating: unable to take in nutrients orally or by tube feeding				
631	Feeding/Eating: dysphagia				
641	Feeding/Eating: able to prepare light meals				
642	Feeding/Eating: unable to prepare light meals on a regular basis				
643	Feeding/Eating: unable to prepare ANY light meals				
651	Medication: able to independently administer all medications				
652	Medication: oral: needs dose preparation, daily reminders or a drug chart				
653	Medication: oral: must be administered by someone else				
654	Medication: topical: needs dose preparation, daily reminders or a drug chart				
655	Medication: topical: must be administered by someone else				
656	Medication: inhalants/mist: needs dose preparation, daily reminders or a drug chart				
657	Medication: inhalants/mist: must be administered by someone else				
658	Medication: injections: needs dose preparation, daily reminders or a drug chart				
659	Medication: injections: must be administered by someone else				
660	Medication: patient non-compliant with medication regimen				

Code	Description				
671	Equipment: patient manages all related tasks				
672	Equipment: patient requires assistance with setup				
673	Equipment: patient requires assistance to operate				
674	Equipment: patient is completely dependent on others				
675	Equipment: caregiver manages all related tasks				
676	Equipment: caregiver requires assistance with setup				
677	Equipment: caregiver requires assistance to operate				
678	Equipment: caregiver is completely dependent on others				
691	Barriers: stairs: used to access toileting, sleeping and/or eating areas				
692	Barriers: stairs: used optionally (e.g., to access laundry facilities)				
693	Barriers: stairs: leading from inside to outside				
694	Barriers: doorways: narrow or obstructed				
695	Barriers: hallways: narrow or obstructed				
696	Barriers: living environment: small or cluttered				
701	Transportation: able to independently drive a regular or adapted car				
702	Transportation: uses a regular or handicap accessible public bus				
703	Transportation: able to ride in car driven by another person				
704	Transportation: able to use a bus or handicap van with assistance				
705	Transportation: unable to rise in a car, taxi, bus or van				
801	Socioeconomic: lacks electricity 802				
805	Socioeconomic: lacks refrigeration/appliances 806				
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