

Special Authority (SA) Confirmation Codes

Special Authority Confirmation codes are transmitted in real-time as part of the usual online claim to a private insurer. They are also printed on a patient's prescription receipt.

BCSA Code	Code Interpretation	SA ¹	RDP ²	LCA ³	Benefit ⁴
BCSA0000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Item is not a PharmaCare benefit under patient's plan(s). Patient does not have SA approval for coverage. 	N	N	N	N
BCSA0002	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patient is not eligible for coverage (not a B.C. resident). 	N	N	N	Not present
BCSA0001	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Item is a benefit for this patient; it does not require SA approval for full coverage. 	N	N	N	Y
BCSA0011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Item is a benefit for this patient but is only partially covered under the LCA Program. Patient does not have SA approval for full coverage under the LCA Program. 	N	N	Y	Y
BCSA0101	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Item is a benefit for this patient but is only partially covered under the RDP. Patient does not have SA approval for full coverage under the RDP. 	N	Y	N	Y
BCSA1100	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patient has SA approval (item would not be a benefit under patient's PharmaCare plan(s) without SA approval). Coverage has been reduced to RDP pricing. Patient does not have SA approval for full coverage under the RDP. 	Y	Y	N	N
BCSA1010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patient has SA approval (item would not be a benefit under patient's PharmaCare plan(s) without SA approval). Coverage has been reduced to LCA pricing. Patient does not have SA approval for full coverage under the LCA Program. 	Y	N	Y	N
BCSA1011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patient has SA approval. (This code is used only in circumstances when some coverage would have been available to the patient without SA approval). Coverage has been reduced to LCA pricing. Patient does not have SA approval for full coverage under the LCA Program. 	Y	N	Y	Y
BCSA1000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patient has SA approval (item would not be a benefit under patient's PharmaCare plan(s) without SA approval). 	Y	N	N	N
BCSA1001	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patient has SA approval. (This code is used only in circumstances when some coverage would have been available to the patient without SA approval). 	Y	N	N	Y

¹ Special Authority: **Y** = Special Authority is in place; **N** = no Special Authority approved

² Reference Drug Program: **Y** = coverage has been reduced to RDP pricing; **N** = coverage has not been reduced to RDP pricing

³ Low Cost Alternative Program: **Y** = coverage has been reduced to LCA pricing; **N** = coverage has not been reduced to LCA pricing

⁴ **Y** = Item is a benefit under patient's PharmaCare plan; **N** = item is not a benefit under patient's PharmaCare plan