

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