

**State of California  
Office of Administrative Law**

**In re:**  
**Department of Managed Health Care**

**Regulatory Action:**

**Title 28, California Code of Regulations**

**Adopt sections:**

**Amend sections:** 1300.67.241

**Repeal sections:**

**NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF REGULATORY  
ACTION**

**Government Code Section 11349.3**

**OAL Matter Number: 2017-0207-01**

**OAL Matter Type: Regular (S)**

In this rulemaking action, the Department of Managed Health Care (DMHC) amends section 1300.67.241 of Title 28 of the California Code of Regulations to conform the regulation to statutory changes made by Senate Bill 282 (Chapter 654, Statutes of 2015) and Assembly Bill 374 (Chapter 621, Statutes of 2015). More specifically, the action updates the process for submission of and response to a uniform Prescription Drug Prior Authorization Request form and adds Step Therapy Exception Request as an alternative use of the same form. The action establishes an alternative electronic process which a prescribing provider may use in lieu of using the paper form. The action also specifies the entities exempted from either use of the form or the regulation as a whole, the consequences for a health plan's failure to respond to a prior authorization or step therapy exception request as required, and DMHC's oversight and enforcement powers.

OAL approves this regulatory action pursuant to section 11349.3 of the Government Code. This regulatory action becomes effective on 7/1/2017.

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