

Provider Update

Modifier 25 Payment Policy Changes: Same Day Evaluation and Management and Preventive Exam Visits

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Effective July 1, 2021, when a preventive examination and a problem-oriented E/M service are reported on the same day for the same patient, the problem-oriented E/M service, appended with modifier 25, is reimbursed at 50% of the allowed amount.

Preventative medicine codes:

- 99381-99397 (Preventive medical exam)
- G0402 (Preventive physical examination)
- G0438-G0439 (Annual wellness exam)

Problem-Oriented E/M codes:

- 99201-99215

Per CPT guidelines, modifier 25 (a significant, separately identifiable Evaluation and Management service by the same physician or other qualified health care professional on the same day of the procedure or other service) is required to be billed in conjunction with the problem-oriented visit evaluation and management code when a preventive medicine service is reported on the same day for the same patient.

The above policy change is now applicable to all Medicaid products.