

Anesthesia Billing Guidance

To: Humana Healthy Horizons in Florida provider network

Subject: Provider guidance for anesthesia modifier billing

Humana Healthy Horizons® in Florida provides the following billing guidance regarding anesthesia modifiers. To help minimize billing errors, it is important that the appropriate anesthesia modifiers are billed on the claims sent to Humana. Below is a list of anesthesia modifiers, as well as their corresponding reimbursement rates, unless your provider contract specifies otherwise.

Anesthesia claims require the use of one of the following modifiers when the situation noted among each modifier definition occurs:

Anesthesia modifiers

AA: Anesthesiologist providing anesthesia procedure. Reimbursement is 100% of physician fee schedule.

QY: Medical direction of one qualified nonphysician anesthetist (such as a certified registered nurse anesthetist, or CRNA) by an anesthesiologist (this would be billed by the anesthesiologist). Reimbursement is 50% of physician fee schedule.

QK: Anesthesiologist providing medical direction for anesthesia procedure to 2, 3 or 4 concurrent anesthesia procedures involving qualified individuals (such as CRNAs). Reimbursement is 50% of physician fee schedule.

AD: Anesthesiologist providing medical direction for anesthesia procedure to more than 4 concurrent qualified individuals (such as CRNAs). Reimbursement is 50% of physician fee schedule.

QZ: Qualified individual (such as a CRNA) providing anesthesia procedure with no medical direction by a physician. Reimbursement is 80% of physician fee schedule.

QX: Qualified nonphysician anesthetist providing anesthesia service with medical direction by a physician (this would be billed by the nonphysician anesthetist). Reimbursement is 50% of physician fee schedule.

Additional guidance on anesthesia services can be found within the service coverage policy on the Agency for Health Care Administration's website, also found here: **59G-4.022 Anesthesia Services Coverage Policy (11).pdf**.



For more information, please call provider relations at **800-477-6931**, Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m., Eastern time.

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