

Coding Modifiers for Contraceptive Services



	Modifier 25	Modifier 51	Modifier 59	Modifier 52
Label	Significant, separately identifiable E/M service	Multiple procedures	Distinct procedures	Reduced services
Definition	Significant, separately identifiable E/M service provided by the same clinician to the same client on the same day as another service.	Multiple separate procedures (non E/M) performed on same day, during same session, by the same clinician.	Distinct procedural service (non E/M) indicates a: 1) different encounter or session; 2) different procedure; 3) different site; or 4) separate incision, excision, injury, lesion, or body part.	Procedure is started but can't be finished for anatomical factors.
Example	Birth control visit to decide on a method followed by LARC insertion at the same appointment.	IUD/implant removal and reinsertion at same appointment.	Lesion removal and IUD insertion at same appointment.	Failed IUD insertion due to stenosis.

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	Modifier 53	Modifier 76	Modifier 77	Modifier 22
Label	Discontinued service	Repeat procedure (same clinician)	Repeat procedure (different clinician)	Increased procedural services
Definition	Procedure is started but can't be finished due to concerns regarding client safety.	Procedure or service was repeated subsequent to the original procedure or service by the same clinician.	Procedure or service was repeated subsequent to the original procedure or service by a different clinician.	Used to describe unusually difficult procedures that took additional resources outside the norm of the procedure provided.
Example	Failed insertion due to vaso-vagal episode, pain, perforation during insertion; client changed mind during procedure.	Successful insertion but the IUD is expelled, followed by repeat insertion by the same clinician.	Successful insertion but the IUD is expelled; client returns for a new device but sees another clinician for the repeated procedure.	Difficult LARC insertion or removal due to body habitus or other complications.

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