

UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage Reimbursement Policy Update Bulletin: March 2022

New Policy - Informational Only		
Policy Title	Effective Date	Summary of Changes
Modifier Reference Policy, Professional	03/01/2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Modifier Reference Policy, Professional is an informational only reference tool to guide readers to reimbursement policies in which modifiers are addressed. Includes both modifier to reimbursement policy and reimbursement policy to modifier table references.
Revised – Informational Only		
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Global Days Policy Professional	03/01/2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In accordance with the guidelines announce in the 2022 Physician Fee Schedule final rule, updates have been made to the Reimbursement Guidelines – Critical Care section revised to include modifier FT - Unrelated Evaluation and Management (E/M) visit during a postoperative period, or on the same day as a procedure or another E/M visit. CMS created the new modifier FT with instructions that the modifier be included on a claim in circumstances when critical care services are performed during the global surgical period of an unrelated procedure.
Medicare Professional Fee Schedule Status Indicator Policy Professional	03/01/2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reimbursement Guidelines section revised to include informational only CPT Category II procedure codes. CPT Category II codes are intended to facilitate data collection about quality of care by coding certain services and/or test results that support performance measures and that have been agreed upon as contributing to good patient care. UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage considers all CPT Category II codes as measurement codes used for reporting purposes only regardless of status indicator.

Published reimbursement policies are intended to ensure reimbursement based on the code or codes that correctly describe the health care services provided. UnitedHealthcare reimbursement policies may use Current Procedural Terminology (CPT®*), Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) or other coding guidelines. References to CPT or other sources are for definitional purposes only and do not imply any right to reimbursement

Note: The absence of a policy does not automatically indicate or imply coverage. As always, coverage for a health service must be determined in accordance with the member’s benefit plan and any applicable federal or state regulatory requirements.



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