



## Update Related to Assistant Surgeon/Assistant at Surgery Covered Procedures List

As a part of the ClaimCheck implementation, effective with <u>date of service</u> May 10, 2010, Louisiana Medicaid updated the claims processing system related to procedure codes allowed to be billed with either the 80 or AS modifier. ClaimCheck editing uses the American College of Surgeons as its primary source for determining if an assistant surgeon is clinically valid for a surgical procedure. Some procedures not previously allowed may now be reimbursable, and some procedures that were allowed will no longer be reimbursed to the assistant surgeon or assistant at surgery.

Assistant Surgeon and Assistant at Surgery Procedure Codes