

ATTENTION HOSPITAL PROVIDERS
NATIONAL CORRECT CODING INITIATIVE (NCCI)
MODIFIERS FOR OUTPATIENT HOSPITAL SERVICES

Recently installed edits related to the incorporation of NCCI edits and methodologies for claims processing makes use of various modifiers reported on claims to allow correct payment. We have modified our system to allow modifiers to be used on Outpatient claims in all four positions. With these changes, we have systematically recycled all Outpatient claims that denied for one of the NCCI edits listed below in order to allow them to be processed with the modifier that was submitted on the original claims. The new edit messages that pertain specifically to the NCCI edits are:

- 731-'CCI: Procedure incidental to another current procedure.'
- 759-'CCI: Procedure incidental to a procedure in history.'
- 982-'CCI: History procedure incidental to current-history voided.'
- 984-'CCI: Procedure mutually exclusive to another current procedure.'
- 989-'CCI: Procedure mutually exclusive to procedure in history.'
- 992-'CCI: History procedure mutually exclusive to current-history voided.'

These recycled claims will appear on the 08/04/11 RA. If you have any billing or policy questions, please contact Provider Relations at (800) 473-2783 or (225) 924-5040.