



### **Reimbursement for Formula Based Anesthesia Services**

In accordance with emergency rules published January 22, 2010 to address the state fiscal year 2010 budget deficit, effective for dates of services on and after January 22, 2010, Physicians and CRNAs administering formula based anesthesia services to Louisiana Medicaid recipients are reimbursed under the following formulas with the appropriate modifiers:

#### **AA Modifier-Anesthesia performed personally by an anesthesiologist:**

- For recipients ages 0 through 15: Base Units + Time Units \*Conversion Factor (\$18.46).
- For recipients ages 16 and older: Base Units + Time Units \*Conversion Factor (\$15.38).

#### **QK Modifier-Medical direction of 2, 3, or 4 concurrent anesthesia procedures by anesthesiologist:**

- For recipients ages 0 through 15: Base Units + Time Units \*Conversion Factor (\$18.46)-50%.
- For recipients ages 16 and older: Base Units + Time Units \*Conversion Factor (\$15.38)-50%.

#### **QY Modifier-Medical direction of one CRNA by an anesthesiologist:**

- For recipients ages 0 through 15: Base Units + Time Units \*Conversion Factor (\$18.46) 50%.
- For recipients ages 16 and older: Base Units + Time Units \*Conversion Factor (\$15.38)-50%.

#### **QX Modifier-CRNA service with Medical direction by an anesthesiologist:**

- For recipients ages 0 through 15: Base Units + Time Units \*Conversion Factor (\$18.46)-50%.
- For recipients ages 16 and older: Base Units + Time Units \*Conversion Factor (\$15.38)-50%.

#### **QZ Modifier-Anesthesia performed by the CRNA without medical direction:**

- For recipients ages 0 through 15: Base Units + Time Units \*Conversion Factor (\$18.46).
- For recipients ages 16 and older: Base Units + Time Units \*Conversion Factor (\$15.38).