



## **Pediatric Moderate (Conscious) Sedation**

**(update)**

Effective with date of service January 01, 2008, Louisiana Medicaid will reimburse for CPT codes 99148, 99149, and 99150. This update replaces the third bullet on page 21 of the published 2007 Professional Services Training Manual.

Louisiana Medicaid previously adopted CPT guidelines for procedures that include moderate sedation as an inherent part of providing the procedure (CPT Codes 99143-99145). Louisiana Medicaid providers are now to follow CPT guidelines for all moderate sedation services currently listed in CPT (99143-99150).

Louisiana Medicaid will reimburse when a second physician provides the moderate sedation (CPT codes 99148-99150). In the unusual event when a second physician other than the health care professional performing the diagnostic or therapeutic services provides moderate sedation in the **facility setting** (e.g., hospital, outpatient hospital/ambulatory surgery center, skilled nursing facility) for procedures listed in the CPT Appendix G, the **second physician** can report 99148, 99149, and/ or 99150 as appropriate.

However, for the circumstances in which these services are performed by the second physician in the **non-facility setting** (e.g., physician office, freestanding imaging center), codes 99148-99150 should **not** be reported.

Medicaid payments received by providers for inappropriate services are subject to review, recoupment, and sanction.