
CHAPTER 5: PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

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Global Surgery Period (Pre/Post-Operative Editing)

Louisiana Medicaid performs pre/post operative editing on evaluation and management (E/M) services reported with surgical procedures during their associated pre/post operative periods using the McKesson ClaimCheck claims editing product. This editing is generally based on values designated in the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) National Physician Fee Schedule.

ClaimCheck references the CMS National Physician Fee Schedule where CMS categorizes most significant *Current Procedural Terminology* (CPT) surgical procedures in one of three categories, based on complexity:

- Major procedures with a 90-day global surgery period.
- Minor procedures with a 10-day global surgery period.
- Minor procedures with a 0-day global surgery period.

ClaimCheck editing will deny those E/M services that are reported with surgical procedures during their associated pre/post operative periods. Claims that have been inappropriately paid for E/M services prior to the submission of the claim for the surgical procedure will be voided when the surgical claim is submitted.

Providers may view the National Physician Fee Schedule and the specific global surgery period for each procedure code on the CMS website. (See Appendix A for website information)