

UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage Reimbursement Policy Update Bulletin: July 2021

Revised		
Policy Title	Effective Date	Summary of Changes
Rebundling and NCCI Edits, Professional	08/01/2021	To better align with CMS guidelines, the UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage Rebundling and NCCI Edits, Policy, Professional has been updated with revised reimbursement guidelines for NCCI edit code pairs designated as CCMI “1”. When reported with a column one code, UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage will not separately reimburse a column two code unless the edit pair is assigned a Correct Coding Modifier Indicator (CCMI) of “1” and a NCCI PTP-associated modifier is appropriately appended to one of the codes. If the two codes of a code pair edit have the same NCCI PTP-associated anatomic modifier, the edit will not be bypassed unless an additional NCCI PTP-associated modifier is appended to one of the codes indicating the reason to bypass the edit. The use of modifiers that are not NCCI PTP-associated modifiers shall not bypass an NCCI PTP edit. NCCI PTP-associated modifiers are the following: Anatomic modifiers: E1-E4, FA, F1-F9, TA, T1-T9, LT, RT, LC, LD, RC, LM, RI Global surgery modifiers: 24, 25, 57, 58, 78, 79 Other modifiers: 27, 59, 91, XE, XS, XP, XU.

Published reimbursement policies are intended to ensure reimbursement based on the code or codes that correctly describe the health care services provided. UnitedHealthcare reimbursement policies may use Current Procedural Terminology (CPT®*), Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) or other coding guidelines. References to CPT or other sources are for definitional purposes only and do not imply any right to reimbursement.

Note: The absence of a policy does not automatically indicate or imply coverage. As always, coverage for a health service must be determined in accordance with the member’s benefit plan and any applicable federal or state regulatory requirements.



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