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Use of Modifiers with Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) and Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS)

Why you're receiving this stat	As of February 1, 2018, BlueShield of Northeastern New York will implement a process that is aligned with CPT/HCPCS coding guidelines for services that have often been coded incorrectly.												
What you need to know	<p>If an incorrect CPT/HCPCS-modifier combination is submitted for processing, this claim will be rejected with a denial message "N76 - Invalid Procedure Modifier Combination, PAR provider cannot bill member."</p> <p>Examples of incorrect CPT/HCPCS-modifier combinations:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Procedure Code</th> <th>Modifier</th> <th>Result</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td> 11100 Biopsy of skin, subcutaneous tissue and/or mucus membrane, including simple closure unless otherwise listed. </td> <td> 25 Significant, separately identifiable evaluation and management service by the same physician or other qualified health care professional on the same day of the procedure or other service. </td> <td> 1110025 Incorrect procedure code-modifier combination. CPT 11100 is not an evaluation and management service-appending modifier 25 is not correct. </td> </tr> <tr> <td> 88291 Cytogenetics and molecular cytogenetics, interpretation and report. </td> <td> TC Technical component. </td> <td> 88291TC Incorrect procedure code-modifier combination. There is no technical component to this service. </td> </tr> <tr> <td> A9272 Wound suction, disposable, includes dressing, all accessories and components, any type, each. </td> <td> 26 Professional component. </td> <td> A927226 Incorrect HCPCS code-modifier combination. This is a medical supply; there is no professional component. </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Procedure Code	Modifier	Result	11100 Biopsy of skin, subcutaneous tissue and/or mucus membrane, including simple closure unless otherwise listed.	25 Significant, separately identifiable evaluation and management service by the same physician or other qualified health care professional on the same day of the procedure or other service.	1110025 Incorrect procedure code-modifier combination. CPT 11100 is not an evaluation and management service-appending modifier 25 is not correct.	88291 Cytogenetics and molecular cytogenetics, interpretation and report.	TC Technical component.	88291TC Incorrect procedure code-modifier combination. There is no technical component to this service.	A9272 Wound suction, disposable, includes dressing, all accessories and components, any type, each.	26 Professional component.	A927226 Incorrect HCPCS code-modifier combination. This is a medical supply; there is no professional component.
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What you need to do	If you receive a voucher with the above denial message, you may submit a corrected claim.												

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