



# Provider Alert

Urgent Provider News



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Dear Provider,

This week, we are sharing the following provider updates — see below to learn more.

## Modifier 25 Payment Policy Reminder

### Same day evaluation and management and preventive exam visits:

When a preventive examination and a problem-oriented E/M service are reported on the same day for the same patient, the problem-oriented E/M service is reimbursed at 50% of the allowed amount regardless of the code appended with modifier 25.

### Preventative medicine codes:

- 99381-99397 (Preventive medical exam)
- G0402 (Preventive physical examination)
- G0438-G0439 (Annual wellness exam)

### Problem-oriented E/M codes:

- 99201-99215

Per CPT guidelines, Modifier 25 (a 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) is required to be billed in conjunction with the problem-oriented visit evaluation and management code when a preventive medicine service is reported on the same day for the same patient.

The above policy is applicable to all Medicaid products.

Sincerely,

Your Sentara Health Plans Team