

A. Subject

Durable Medical Equipment (DME) Modifiers

B. Background

Reimbursement policies are designed to assist providers when submitting claims to CareSource. They are routinely updated to promote accurate coding and policy clarification. These proprietary policies are not a guarantee of payment. Reimbursement for claims may be subject to limitations and/or qualifications. Reimbursement will be established based upon a review of the actual services provided to a member and will be determined when the claim is received for processing. Health care providers and office



D. Policy

- I. This policy outlines the use of DME modifiers for the rental and/or purchase of Durable Medical Equipment (DME).
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- II. DME items can be:
 - A. purchased;
 - B. rented; or
 - C. rented on a short-term basis and then purchased at the end of the rental period.
- III. DME items must be billed with appropriate HCPCS codes along with appropriate modifiers when applicable:
 - AA. Purchase Modifier -
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purchase of DME equipment.

- B. Rental Modifier -A.
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Aental period of DME equipment.

- a. The combined total reimbursement for rental and subsequent purchase of a DME item cannot exceed the maximum fee.
- b. At the end of the rent to purchase period, the DME becomes the property of the member.
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