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SUBJECT: MODIFIERS

1. AHCCCS requires the reporting of all modifiers per correct coding guidelines and policies listed on the AHCCCS website. Below is a list of some of the AHCCCS modifiers that are required per policy, general notices, or correct coding guidelines. This is not a complete list of modifiers. It is up to the provider/entity to make sure they are submitting all modifiers as specified per AHCCCS policy or guidance as well as per correct coding standards.

2. MODIFIER and DESCRIPTION (some modifiers listed have dual meanings)

CG	Policy criteria applied
EP	Service provided as part of Medicaid early periodic screening diagnosis and treatment (EPSDT) program
GT	Via interactive audio and video telecommunication systems
HA	Child/adolescent program
HB	Adult program non geriatric
HC	Adult program, geriatric
HG	Opioid addiction treatment program
HK	Specialized mental health program / high-risk populations
HM	Less than bachelor degree level
HN	Bachelor's degree level
HO	Master's degree level
HQ	Group setting
HR	Family/couple with client present
HS	Family/couple without client present
HT	Multidisciplinary team
HW	Funded by state mental health agency
H9	Court Ordered

SE	State and/or federally-funded programs/services
TD	RN
TE	LP/LVN
TF	Intermediate level of care
TN	Rural/outside providers' customary service area
UB	Monthly Service Per Member / (BH) MHBG funded
UD	Telehealth Telephonic Services
U1	CFT facilitation / Medicaid Level 1 Care
U7	Agency with choice / (BH) SABG Funded
U8	Governor's office substance use disorder fund
U9	ASAM
XE	Separate encounter, a service that is distinct because it occurred during a separate encounter

Please consult your HCPCS and CPT books for the complete list of all modifiers. The Behavioral Health Matrix also has a list of modifiers with descriptions under the definition tab.

3. You can find all AHCCCS Policy and Guides: [AHCCCS Guides and Manuals for Health Plans and Providers](#)
4. If you need any system updates please follow the instructions found on the Medical Coding Resources page. [Reference Table Review and Update Requests](#)
5. You can also locate training materials on the following links:
 - a. [MCO Provider Training Back to Basics](#)
 - b. [FFS Management: Training Resources](#)
6. Documents with modifiers-not a complete list
 - a. [Crisis, COE, COT, MABG and SABG Billing Indicators/Modifiers](#)
 - b. [COVID-19 Emergency Medical Coding Guidance](#)