Anesthesia Assistant Reimbursement Rate Increase Effective June 1, 2013

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This is a follow up to the article titled “Increased Reimbursement for Medical Direction of Anesthesiologist Assistants Effective June 1, 2013,” which was published on this website on May 17, 2013. Effective for dates of service on or after June 1, 2013, reimbursement rates have been adopted for anesthesia procedures codes for anesthesiologist assistants who are medically directed by an anesthesiologist.

Anesthesiologists may be reimbursed an additional 92 percent of the established anesthesiologist reimbursement rate for the medical direction of an anesthesiologist assistant. To receive the increased reimbursement, anesthesiologists must use the approved modifier combination to submit claims for medically directed services that were provided by an anesthesiologist assistant.

Providers can refer to the current Medicaid fee schedule for the anesthesia procedure code rates to which the 92 percent increase will be applied.

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.