



Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities Administration Encounter Data Integrity Team FY22 Modifier Changes Subgroup Meeting Minutes

Date: 2/9/21	Location:	TEAMs
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Time: 1-2PM	Dial-in Number:	

Community Mental Health Service Programs Ottawa CMH: Kristi Chittenden x Clinton-Eaton-Ingham: Pam Flory

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Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans		
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MDHHS	5/Milliman
Х	Laura Kilfoyle
Х	Belinda Hawks
Х	Morgan VanDenBerg
Х	Jackie Sproat
Х	Kathy Haines
Х	Jeremy Cunningham
	Jessica Bertolo
Х	Spencer Keating
Х	Kasi Hunziger

Agenda Item	Presenter	Notes/Action Items
Welcome and Introductions	Jackie	
Future meeting schedule (5 minutes)	Jackie	One more meeting is scheduled on 2/22 from 2-3PM. We need to pick a day/time for meetings going forward. The group decided on Mondays 2-3PM March 8, 22, April 12 & 26, May 10.
Are there any state or federal rules or regulations that require local modifiers? (5 minutes)	Jeremy/Pat	Mary Pat Stemnock and Jeremy Cunningham from Milliman summarized findings. Federal law mandates that national codes are used, states have interpreted this to include modifiers as well. HHS discourages local modifiers. Compliance program began in 2019. One state (RI) was found to use local codes when it was not able to crosswalk to national codes.
Review feedback on 10/1/21 discontinuation of HK (for HSW enrollees) (5 minutes)	Belinda/ Morgan	Some PIHP/CMH concerns about tracking enrollment and recoupment. There is no recoupment currently. The WSA is the source of truth for HSW enrollment, and 820 payment file can be used (along with the 834) for establishing enrollment. PIHP suggestion for data export

		directly from the WSA to identify HSW enrollees, due to PIHP concerns about accuracy of 834. Jeremy suggested a comparison of WSA and 820, for HSW effective and expiration dates. Final decision: BHDDA will discontinue HK modifier effective 10/1/21. After the meeting, Kathy emailed that Dick Berry investigated the impact of retiring the HK modifier on CHAMPS, and concluded that there would be NO impact.
Review feedback on 10/1/21 discontinuation of U5 (Autism service)	Belinda/ Morgan	U5 is an easy way to distinguish between AUT and non-AUT assessments (H0031). What is behind the need to distinguish? Costing differences? Morgan said the assessment is required for continued eligibility. Take away: need to identify a new code to replace H0031U5 (ADOS and ADI-R). There are other codes for example, psych eval 90792. Action Item: group members investigate if/how the psych eval for AUT kiddo would be different from psych eval for any other beneficiary. (also 90791, 90792, 90785, 96130-7)
Review feedback on discontinuation of GT (telehealth)	Laura	Plan to discontinue at end of COVID-19 emergency, instead of 10/1/21. Also looked into the need for the 95 modifier, which was BHDDA but not MSA approved. Conclusion was that after COVID-19 emergency is over, will use POS 2, discontinue GT and 95. What about audio-only services post COVID emergency? If audio-only will continue to be allowed using a modifier will be easier than adding a note to the claim. Concerns about billing Medicare for dual eligible beneficiaries. Laura said we don't know yet what Medicare billing rules will be post-pandemic.
Modifier WX		WX is participant hired, is a subset of self-directed services. WX would only be reported along with the self-directed modifier. Beneficiary is employer of record vs. agency employed? BHDDA/Milliman to clarify at future meeting.
Supported employment CPT code and use of supported employment modifiers		Belinda will ask if Joe Longcor can share details on the 4-5 modifiers.
Does modifier prioritization apply as of FY22 to encounters?	Kathy	TR3 encounter reporting review found no federal requirements related to listing modifiers in a specific order. Group members suggest allowing flexibility in the order of modifiers on encounters. PCE Systems alphabetizes modifiers. The EQI template requires a specific order of modifiers, but no set order will be required on encounters.

Wrap-Up and Next Steps	Jackie	Suggestions for agenda items for next meeting:
		Jeff White's email question about provider
		groupings for H2015, HM
		2. Clarification around use of U modifiers with
		H2015 for setting rates—this may be more
		appropriate for full EDIT
		3. HH and HF modifiers
		4. Transportation – will code used for
		residential transportation be new or already
		in use? A0130?

Action Items	Person Responsible	Status
Determine if/how a psych eval for		
AUT bene would be different from		
a psych eval for any other	Group members	
beneficiary. (also 90791, 90792,		
90785, 96130-7)		
Comparison of WSA and 820, for	Loromov / Milliman	
HSW effective and expiration dates	Jeremy/Milliman	
Can Joe Longcor can share details		
on the 1Y-5Y supported	Belinda	
employment modifiers.		Joe will join the 2/22 meeting
Clarification of expectations	Laura and Margan	
around use of the WX modifier.	Laura and Morgan	

Next Meeting Date: 2/22