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Modifier Grid

Type Key:			\$\$ Key:							
GP = Global Package Modifier			↑ = \$\$ goes up;							
BUN = related to bundling or CCI			↗ = \$\$ claim gets paid - without it claim would be denied;							
E/M only = Appended to E/M codes only			↓ = \$\$ goes down;							
# = Related to number of surgeons			→ = \$\$ Stays the same (informational only)							
Anes = Anesthesia Related										
Lab = Laboratory Related										
Oth = All Others										
Mod	Short Description – (For Full Description see Appendix A of CPT)	Type	\$\$	E/M	Anesthesia	Surgery	Radiology	Path & Lab	Medicine	ASC & Hosp
Global Package Modifiers										
-24	Unrelated* E/M service by the same physician during a postop period	GP E/M	↗	E/M						
* Per CPT Assistant May 1997 “Modifier -24 is used when a physician provides a surgical service related to one problem and then during the period of follow-up care for the surgery provides an evaluation and management service <i>unrelated to the problem requiring the surgery.</i> ” Note it does not say unrelated to the surgery itself.										
-57	Decision for surgery	GP E/M	↗	E/M					Medicine	
-58	Staged or related procedure	GP	↗			Surgery	Radiology		Medicine	ASC & Hosp
-76	Repeat procedure by same physician	GP	↓, ↗			Surgery	Radiology		Medicine	ASC & Hosp
-77	Repeat procedure by another physician	GP	↗			Surgery	Radiology		Medicine	ASC & Hosp
-78	Return to OR for a related procedure during the postop period	GP	↓↗			Surgery	Radiology		Medicine	ASC & Hosp
-79	Unrelated procedure or service by the same physician during the postop period	GP	↗			Surgery	Radiology		Medicine	ASC & Hosp
-54	Surgical care only	GP	↓			Surgery				
-55	Postoperative management only	GP	↓			Surgery			Medicine	
-56	Preoperative management only	GP	↓			Surgery			Medicine	
Bundling or CCI Modifiers										
-25	Significant separately identifiable E/M service	BUN GP E/M	↗	E/M						ASC & Hosp
-26	Professional component	BUN	↓			Surgery	Radiology	P&L	Medicine	
-59	Distinct procedural service	BUN	↗		Anesthesia	Surgery	Radiology	P&L	Medicine	ASC & Hosp
Evaluation & Management Only Modifiers										
-24	Unrelated E/M service by the same physician during a postop period	GP E/M	↗	E/M						
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-25	Significant separately identifiable E/M service	GP, E/M	↗	E/M						ASC & Hosp

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-57	Decision for surgery	GP, E/M	↗	E/M					Medicine	
-27	Multiple outpatient hospital E/M encounters on the same date	E/M	↗							ASC & Hosp
Number of Surgeons Modifiers										
-62	Two surgeons	#	↓			Surgery	Radiology			
-66	Surgical Team	#	↓			Surgery				
-80	Assistant surgeon	#	↓			Surgery	Radiology			
-81	Minimum assistant surgeon	#	↓			Surgery				
-82	Assistant surgeon (when a qualified resident is not available)	#	↓			Surgery				
Anesthesia Related										
-23	Unusual anesthesia	Anes	↗		Anesthesia					
-47	Anesthesia by surgeon	Anes	↑ →			Surgery				
Laboratory Related										
-90	Reference (outside) laboratory	Lab	→					P&L		
-91	Repeat clinical diagnostic laboratory test	Lab	↗					P&L		ASC & Hosp
Other Modifiers										
-22	Unusual procedural services	Oth	↑		Anesthesia	Surgery	Radiology	P&L	Medicine	
-32	Mandated services	Oth	↗, →	E/M	Anesthesia	Surgery	Radiology	P&L	Medicine	
-50	Bilateral procedure	Oth	↑			Surgery	Radiology		Medicine	ASC & Hosp
-51	Multiple procedures	Oth	↓		Anesthesia	Surgery	Radiology		Medicine	
-52	Reduced services	Oth	↓	E/M		Surgery	Radiology	P&L	Medicine	ASC & Hosp
-53	Discontinued procedure	Oth	↓		Anesthesia	Surgery	Radiology	P&L	Medicine	
-63	Procedure Performed on Infants less than 4 kg	Oth	↑			Surgery (not Integ.)				
-73	Discontinued outpatient hospital/ASC procedure prior to anesthesia	Oth	↓							ASC & Hosp
-74	Discontinued outpatient hospital/ASC procedure after anesthesia	Oth	↓							ASC & Hosp
-99	Multiple modifiers	Oth	→			Surgery	Radiology		Medicine	

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