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Attention Providers Billing Occupational Therapy or Physical Therapy Services: Use Appropriate Modifiers on Claims When Therapy Assistant Renders Services

Effective with dates of service on or after March 1, 2023, the following instructions apply to any provider type rendering occupational or physical therapy services, except provider type (PT) 60 (School Health Services):

- Claims for occupational therapy or physical therapy services rendered by an occupational therapy assistant need to be identified on the claim with modifier CO with the procedure code.
- Services rendered by a physical therapy assistant should be identified with modifier CQ with the procedure code.

Effective with dates of service on or after March 1, 2023, the following instructions apply to PT 60:

- Claims submitted by PT 60 for occupational therapy services need to be identified with modifier GO for occupational therapy. Modifier CO must be used to indicate the service was rendered by an occupational therapy assistant. Modifiers GO and CO must both be included with the procedure code to indicate occupational therapy services were performed by an occupational therapy assistant.
- Services for physical therapy should have modifier GP. Modifier CQ must be used when the service was rendered by a physical therapy assistant. Modifiers GP and CQ must both be included with the procedure code to indicate physical therapy services were performed by a physical therapy assistant.

The PT 34 Therapy Billing Guide and the PT 60 School Health Services Billing Guide will be updated with the above instructions. The billing guides are available on the <u>Providers/Claims Billing Information</u> webpage.

Reminder: The prior authorizations (PAs) for these therapy services must match the claim and contain the required modifier. If a change to an approved PA is needed, please submit a Prior Authorization Data Correction Form (FA-29) specifying the needed change.