

Bulletin/Update

## **CMS NCCI UPDATES**

South Country Health Alliance follows the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) edits when processing payments for Medicare Part B claims. The CMS National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) promotes national correct coding methodologies and reduces improper coding which may result in inappropriate payments of Medicare Part B claims. Please review the link for updates from CMS regarding the use of modifier 59 in Rural Health Clinic and Federally Qualified Health Center settings.

## Proper Use of Modifiers 59, XE, XP, XS & XU

For additional assistance or guidance on the information above, please see the resource below.

## South Country Provider Contact Center 1-888-633-4055

## Hours: 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

The Provider Contact Center staff are available as your first point of contact to assist with the following.

Member benefit coverage Authorization verification Provider web portal issues Claim rejection guidance General information

Website questions

Claims billing and processing guidelines

Remittance adjustment code details and payment information

South Country wants to ensure providers are reimbursed for services provided to our members and following all billing guidelines. Our staff are committed to support and guide you in understanding all South Country processes and procedures. In addition, callers that utilize our Provider Contact Center are provided a reference number that identifies your call in our system. Please keep the reference number in your records to refer to if you have any additional questions or need to check the status of an open issue. The reference number will help the representative locate your issue quickly.

