

Professional Anesthesia Services - Anesthesia Modifiers

This table lists and describes Anesthesia Modifiers for use in the adjudication of a claim and may impact reimbursement. Please refer to applicable policy, if available, for more details.

Modifiers	Description	Comments
AA	Anesthesia services personally performed by the anesthesiologist	Reimbursed at 100% of applicable fee schedule or contracted/negotiated rate
AD	Medical supervision by a physician: more than four (4) concurrent anesthesia procedures	Reimbursement is not allowed
QK	Medical direction of two, three or four concurrent anesthesia procedures involving qualified individuals	Reimbursed at 50% of allowance. Reimbursement is based on 50% of the applicable fee schedule or contracted/negotiated amount
QX	Qualified nonphysician anesthetist with medical direction by a physician	Reimbursed at 50% of the applicable fee schedule or contracted/negotiated amount
QY	Anesthesiologist medically directs one CRNA	Reimbursed at 50% of the applicable fee schedule or contracted/negotiated amount
QZ	CRNA without medical direction by a physician	Reimbursed at 100% of the applicable fee schedule or contracted/negotiated amount
23	Denotes a procedure that must be done under general anesthesia due to unusual circumstances although normally done under local or no anesthesia	Reimbursement is not allowed
47	Denotes regional or general anesthesia services provided by the surgeon performing the medical procedure. We do not allow reimbursement of anesthesia services by the provider performing the medical procedure (other than obstetrical—see Obstetrical Anesthesia section of this policy); therefore, it is not appropriate to bill Modifier 47 with anesthesia services	No additional reimbursement is allowed for anesthesia services by the provider performing the medical procedure (other than obstetrical—see Obstetrical Anesthesia section of this policy); therefore, it is not appropriate to bill Modifier 47 with anesthesia services