

**METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES
OTHER TYPES OF CARE**

Anesthesiologists (continued)

Time (in Minutes)	Unit(s) Billed
1-15	1.0
16-30	2.0
31-45	3.0
46-60	4.0
61-75	5.0
76-90	6.0
91-105	7.0
106-120	8.0
Etc.	

Effective January 1, 2008, Anesthesia Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPC) modifiers must be reported for each anesthesia service billed and will determine the rate of reimbursement to each provider for anesthesia services. The modifiers are as follows:

2014 Published HCPC Modifier	Description	Payment Rate
AA	Anesthesia services performed personally by Anesthesiologist.	100%
AD	Medical supervision by a physician: more than four concurrent anesthesia procedures	Current Flat Rate; no time units
QK	Medical direction of two, three, or four concurrent anesthesia procedures involving qualified individuals	50%
QX	CRNA or AA service: with medical direction by a physician	50%
QY	Anesthesiologist medically directs one CRNA or AA	50%
QZ	CRNA or AA services	80% <u>100%</u>

Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNA)

Modifiers must be reported for each anesthesia service billed and will determine the rate of reimbursement to each provider for anesthesia services. Payment is made to CRNAs at a rate of ~~80~~ 100 percent of the allowable for physicians for anesthesia services without medical direction and at a rate of 50 percent of the allowable when medically directed.

Anesthesiologist Assistants

Modifiers must be reported for each anesthesia service billed and will determine the rate of reimbursement to each provider for anesthesia services. Payment is made to Anesthesiologist Assistants at a rate of 80 percent of the allowable for physicians for anesthesia services without medical direction and at a rate of 50 percent of the allowable when medically directed.

Medical assistance will not be paid for Provider-Preventable Conditions (PPCs) as described on Supplement 2 to Attachment 4.19-B.

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