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LANGUAGE CLARIFICATION: PROPER USE OF MODIFIER 25 WHEN BILLING FOR ALLERGY TESTING AND E/M SERVICES ON THE SAME DAY

BACKGROUND

This policy language update of the Allergy Testing policy clarifies the use of modifier 25 for allergy testing claims submission.

KEY DETAILS

This update clarifies correct coding standards for the use of modifier 25 when billing for both allergy testing and an evaluation and management (E/M) visit on the same day by the same provider. Modifier 25 must be present for both to be reimbursed. Modifier 25 indicates that a significant, separately identifiable E/M service by the same provider was performed on the same date of service as the allergy testing.

Additionally, documentation that supports the provision of a significant, separately identifiable E/M service must be submitted with the claim. This documentation must also be maintained in the client's medical record to be made available to Texas Medicaid upon request.

If modifier 25 is present with the claim but the appropriate documentation is not, then the allergy testing procedure will be reimbursed and the E/M procedure will not. The denial will note that the E/M procedure is part of another procedure billed on the same day.

The language update to clarify the use of modifier 25 when billing allergy testing and E/M services will be added to section 9.2.5.2, "Allergy Testing," in the *Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual (TMPPM), Medical and Nursing Specialists, Physicians, and Physician Assistants Handbook* on September 1, 2026.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See post on TMHP.com: [Language Clarification: Proper Use of Modifier 25 When Billing for Allergy Testing and E/M Services on the Same Day | TMHP](#)

The updated language will be published in the Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual on Sept. 1, 2026.

QUESTIONS

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