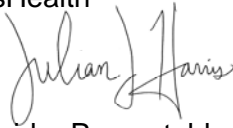




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TO: Vision Care Providers Participating in MassHealth
FROM: Julian J. Harris, M.D., Medicaid Director 
RE: *Vision Care Manual* (New Modifiers for Provider Preventable Conditions That Are National Coverage Determinations)

This letter transmits updates to Subchapter 6 of the *Vision Care Manual* to add modifiers for Provider Preventable Conditions (PPCs) that are National Coverage Determinations. For more information about PPCs and related billing instructions, see Transmittal Letter ALL-195.

These updates are effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2012.

Please Note: Two modifiers that are currently allowed by MassHealth, technical component (TC) and professional component (26), have also been added to Subchapter 6.

MassHealth Website

This transmittal letter and attached pages are available on the MassHealth website at www.mass.gov/masshealth.

Questions

If you have any questions about this transmittal letter, please contact MassHealth Customer Service at 1-800-841-2900, e-mail your inquiry to providersupport@mahealth.net, or fax your inquiry to 617-988-8974.

NEW MATERIAL

(The pages listed here contain new or revised language.)

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OBSOLETE MATERIAL

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The following service code modifiers are allowed for billing under MassHealth.

<u>Modifier</u>	<u>Modifier Description</u>
26	Professional Component
TC	Technical Component

The following modifiers are for Provider Preventable Conditions (PPCs) that are National Coverage Determinations.

<u>Modifier</u>	<u>Modifier Description</u>
PA	Surgical or other invasive procedure on wrong body part
PB	Surgical or other invasive procedure on wrong patient
PC	Wrong surgery or other invasive procedure on patient

For more information on the use of these modifiers, see Appendix V of your provider manual.

This publication contains codes that are copyrighted by the American Medical Association. Certain terms used in the service descriptions for HCPCS codes are defined in the Physician's Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) code book.

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