Modifier 25

Was a procedure performed on the same day as E/M?

- NO
  - Modifier 25 is not appropriate.

- YES
  - Was the E/M significant and separately identifiable?
    - NO
      - Bill the E/M code with modifier 25.
    - YES

Exceptions:
- Inpatient Dialysis Service - E/M same day as dialysis is denied UNLESS:
  - Unrelated to treatment of ESRD
  - Was not/could not be furnished during dialysis
- Critical Care Visits - Use modifier 25 ONLY WHEN:
  - Critically ill; requires constant attention
  - Unrelated to specific injury/procedure

Notes:
- Generally, separate payment is not made for E/M services performed on the same day as minor surgery or procedure.
- Always consider whether you are treating at least 2 different diagnoses that require E/M.

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