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X- Modifier Utilization

Related to the utilization of **Modifier-59**, the Louisiana Department of Health seeks to inform providers and managed care entities that the following X- Modifiers may be utilized in place of modifier 59 to provide greater reporting specificity related to distinct services provided.

XE	SEPARATE ENCOUNTER	A SERVICE THAT IS DISTINCT BECAUSE IT OCCURRED DURING A SEPARATE ENCOUNTER
XP	SEPARATE PRACTITIONER	A SERVICE THAT IS DISTINCT BECAUSE IT WAS PERFORMED BY A DIFFERENT PRACTITIONER
XS	SEPARATE ORGAN/STRUCTURE	A SERVICE THAT IS DISTINCT BECAUSE IT WAS PERFORMED ON A SEPARATE ORGAN/STRUCTURE
XU	UNUSUAL SEPARATE SERVICE	THE USE OF A SERVICE THAT IS DISTINCT BECAUSE IT DOES NOT OVERLAP USUAL COMPONENTS OF THE MAIN SERVICE

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Questions regarding managed care claims should be directed to the appropriate managed care organization.