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Medi-Cal

Important Provider Notice: #0098

Subject: Modifier ZS no longer required for radiology and laboratory services that are 100 percent professional or technical component

Effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2008, radiology and laboratory codes will be identified as either split-billable services or services that are not split-billable.

- **Split-billable services:** These services are separately reimbursable by different providers for a professional and technical component. The facility and physician each bill for their respective component of the service with modifier 26, TC or ZS.
- **Services that are not split-billable:** These services are not separately reimbursable by different providers for a professional nor technical component. Only one provider may be reimbursed for these codes. These codes may not be submitted with modifier 26, TC or ZS.

Radiology and laboratory services that were previously defined as “100 percent professional or 100 percent technical” will no longer be identified as split-billable, and must not be billed with modifier 26, TC or ZS.