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Same-day E/M service with global day procedure – reimbursement update

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On **April 1, 2020**, when a distinct evaluation and management (E/M) service is provided to a patient at the *same session* on the *same day* as a procedure with a CMS global period indicator of 0, 10, or 90 days:

- We will reimburse the *lesser* allowable service at 50 percent of the fee schedule allowance.
- We will continue to reimburse the *higher* allowable service at 100 percent of the fee schedule allowance.

This policy change applies to all products.

What codes does this policy change apply to?

The policy change applies to:

- E/M codes
 - 99201-99205 (new patient)
 - 99211-99215 (established patient)
- Procedure codes that have a CMS **global period** indicator of **0, 10, or 90** days, based on National Physician Fee Schedule Relative Value File January Release Global Days guidelines.

As a reminder, modifier 25 indicates a significant, separately identifiable E/M service by the same provider on the same day of a procedure or other service.

Resources

-  [Evaluation and Management Payment Policy](#)
-  [Surgery–Professional Payment Policy](#)

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