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Additional billing instructions presented for EMS treat-no-transport and naloxone administration

The Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) reimburses Emergency Medical Services (EMS) provider agencies for treating members without providing transportation, and for naloxone and its administration as published in *IHCP Bulletins* [BT202052](#) and [BT202063](#). Effective for claims submitted on or after February 25, 2021, the IHCP will systematically deny details if procedure code A0998 – *Ambulance response and treatment, no transport* is submitted on the same claim with the same date of service (DOS) as emergency transportation (procedure code A0427 or A0429).

The detail will deny with explanation of benefits (EOB) 6539 – *Treat/no transport (A0998) is not payable with transportation (A0427/A0429) or drug administration (96372 U1/U2) on the same date of service*.

Treat-no-transport (A0998) and emergency transportation (A0427 or A0429) submitted for the same DOS and different claims will pay the first claim processed and deny the second claim with EOB 6539. If treat-no-transport is provided to the same member multiple times per day, or if treat-no-transport and a transportation event occurred on the same day, a modifier must be included on the claim detail to indicate that separate and distinct services were provided:

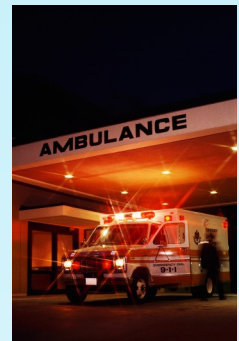
- Modifier XE – Separate encounter, a service that is distinct because it occurred during a separate encounter
- Modifier 59 – Distinct procedural service

Naloxone administration

As a reminder, treat-no-transport includes naloxone administration. Therefore, administration of naloxone (96372 U1/U2) will deny with EOB 6539 if submitted on the same claim with the same date of service as treat-no-transport (A0998). Administration and treat-no-transport submitted on *different* claims for the same DOS and by the same provider will pay the first claim processed and deny the second claim with EOB 6539, unless modifier XE or 59 is included on the claim, indicating that a separate and distinct service was provided.

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