

# -58 Staged or Related Procedure or Service Modifier

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Modifier -58 was established to facilitate billing of staged or related surgical procedures done by the same physician during the postoperative period of the first procedure. This modifier is not used to report the treatment of a problem that requires a return to the operating room.

#### **Product Information**

The information outlined below applies to all UCare products.

#### **Payment Information**

 When appended to an eligible procedure or service it will be allowed separately, and a new post-operative period begins.

## **Appropriate Use**

- The -58 modifier indicates that the procedure or service performed during the post-operative period of the first surgery was:
  - Planned prospectively or "staged" at the time of the original procedure;
  - Was more extensive than the original procedure; or
  - o For therapy following a diagnostic surgical procedure.

### **Inappropriate Use**

- Using the -58 modifier to report a complication related to the original surgery.
- Appending the -58 modifier to services that include multiple sessions within their CPT definition (e.g., CPT code 67208, Destruction of localized lesions of the retina, one or more sessions).
- Appending the -58 modifier to unrelated procedures during the postoperative period.

#### **Additional Links**

CMS Internet Only Manual (IOM), Publication 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 12, Section 40.2 and 40.4

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