



## **PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT, REGISTERED NURSE FIRST ASSISTANT AND NURSE PRACTITIONER GUIDELINES**

Physician Assistants, Registered Nurse First Assistants and Nurse Practitioners may not bill for services in hospital inpatient, emergency room, and ambulatory surgery settings if the costs associated with those providers have been included in the costs that were used to determine the inpatient, emergency room, and ambulatory surgery Workers' Compensation hospital reimbursement rates.

### **EVALUATION AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

A physician assistant or nurse practitioner shall be allowed 80% of the fee schedule allowance for evaluation and management services provided a signed report details the findings of the exam. The CPT level billed must be supported by the signed report.

### **ASSISTANT SURGEON**

A physician assistant or registered nurse first assistant who assists at surgery shall be allowed 80% of 20% (16%) of the fee schedule allowance for the procedure(s). A fee for assistant surgeon shall only be paid to one primary assistant surgeon.

### **OTHER SERVICES**

A physician assistant or nurse practitioner shall be allowed 80% of the fee schedule allowance for any other services performed within their license or certification.

### **MODIFIERS**

When billing for services provided by a physician assistant, use the modifier -PA.

When billing for services provided by a registered nurse first assistant, use modifier -FA.

When billing for services provided by a nurse practitioner, use the modifier -NP.