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## INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO.1221

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**TO:** Iowa Medicaid Medical Equipment/Supply and Pharmacy Providers

**ISSUED BY:** Iowa Department of Human Services, Iowa Medicaid Enterprise

**RE:** “CC” and “KR” Modifiers

**EFFECTIVE:** May 1, 2013

Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) modifiers “CC” and “KR” have been added to the Medicaid claims payment system to help expedite processing of claims for some medical equipment and supply items.

- Modifier “**CC**” should be billed when the quantity of a supply provided differs from that in the HCPCS definition. **Example:** One unit of blood glucose test strips, procedure code A4253, is defined in HCPCS as 50 strips. If a member was provided with 25 strips, A4253 with the “CC” modifier should be billed. The number of units would be 25 for the actual quantity provided.
- Modifier “**KR**” should be billed for equipment rental when the rental period is less than one month. **Example:** A standard wheelchair, procedure code K0001, was rented for six weeks. The first month would be billed as K0001-RR with one unit for the month. The remaining two weeks would be billed with K0001-RR and KR with 14 units for the 14 days.

The procedure code lists for which these modifiers should be used are found at: <http://www.ime.state.ia.us/Providers/CSRP.html>. **Note:** With the exception of some wheelchairs, equipment for which the monthly rental fee is less than \$150 per month are generally excluded from the list, as are some items that are rarely used for less than a full month.

The IME appreciates your partnership as we work to improve claim processing. If you have any questions, please contact IME Provider Services, 1-800-338-7909, locally 515-256-4609 or by email at [imeproviderservices@dhs.state.ia.us](mailto:imeproviderservices@dhs.state.ia.us).