



## Indiana Surgical Assistant Medicaid Reimbursement Exclusions

**405 Indiana Administrative Code 5-25-2; Title 405. Office of the Secretary of Family and Social Services; Article 5. Medicaid Services**

### **Rule 25. Physician Services**

#### **405 IAC 5-25-2 Reimbursement exclusions and limitations**

Sec. 2. (a) Medicaid will not reimburse a physician for the following:

- (1) Preparation of reports.
- (2) Missed appointments.
- (3) Writing or telephoning prescriptions to pharmacies.
- (4) Telephone calls to laboratories.
- (5) Any extra charge for after-hours services.
- (6) Mileage.

(b) Medicaid reimbursement is available for a physician as an assistant surgeon with the following restrictions:

- (1) If extenuating circumstances require an assistant surgeon when customarily one is not required, these circumstances must be well documented in the hospital record and documentation must be attached to the claim form.
- (2) Reimbursement is not available for a surgical assistant who assists in diagnostic surgical procedures or for minor surgical procedures.**
- (3) Reimbursement is limited to the procedures that generally require the skills and services of an assistant surgeon as set out in HCPCS.

(c) A physician visiting more than one (1) Medicaid recipient in the same long term care facility on the same day will be reimbursed for each patient seen in an amount equal to the physician's routine office service allowance.

(d) Office visits will be reimbursed up to four (4) per month or twenty (20) per year per provider. Prior authorization will be given for more frequent visits if medically necessary.

(e) Any physician services subject to prior authorization rendered during an office visit that were not prior authorized will not be reimbursed.

(f) Reimbursement for any physician service rendered during an office visit that is subsequently found not be medically necessary is subject to recoupment.

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