

# Authorization Clarification: Therapy for Medicare-Medicaid Plan



UnitedHealthcare Community Plan in Texas is sharing this information from the Texas Health and Human Services Commission so you know what's required when **billing for therapy services**.

UnitedHealthcare Connected serves members who are dually eligible for Medicare and Medicaid within the UnitedHealthcare Connected service area. These members must be eligible and enrolled in Medicare Part A, Medicare Part B, and Texas Medicaid. UnitedHealthcare Connected is currently available in Harris County.

Claims for certain outpatient occupational, physical or speech therapy services require a Medicaid modifier to indicate when services have been rendered by a licensed therapist or physician or a therapy assistant under the supervision of a licensed therapist:

- **UB:** Services delivered by a licensed therapy assistant under supervision of a licensed therapist
- **U5:** Services delivered by a licensed therapist or a physician

Modifiers aren't required for evaluation or re-evaluation codes because those services can't be rendered by therapy assistants.

More information is in the [Update to Reprocessing Crossover Claims for Physical, Occupational and Speech Therapy Services](#).

## We're Here to Help

If you have questions, please call us at **888-887-9003**, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Central Time, Monday through Friday. You can also contact your provider or physician advocate.

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