

MSMS saves Michigan Physicians \$2,000,000+

MODIFIER 25

*BCBSM cancels modifier 25 payment adjustment
for evaluation and management services*



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When the Michigan State Medical Society (MSMS) learned Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan (BCBSM) was going to pay evaluation and management (E&M) services billed with modifier 25 at 80 percent, MSMS took action.

During several conversations with BCBSM, MSMS provided tangible evidence proving there was no overlap in services when an E&M is billed with office procedures. As a result, BCBSM canceled the implementation of the policy, restoring it back to 100 percent and saving Michigan physicians more than \$2 million.

"This is a tangible benefit for MSMS members," said MSMS President Betty S. Chu, MD, MBA. "Without MSMS at the table representing Michigan physicians, we would've lost more than \$2 million in care services. I strongly urge all Michigan physicians to join MSMS because we need them to be our voice, tell our story and support us."

MSMS and the Saginaw County Medical Society have been advocating on behalf of physicians and their patients for more than 150 years and 116 years, respectively. Become a member today, and help affect change in the practice of medicine.