

Louisiana Department of Health Informational Bulletin



To: AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Providers

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Subject: [Informational Bulletin 26-01](#): Procedure Code Changes to the SBMP Fee Schedule

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Procedure Code Changes to the SBMP Fee Schedule

Attention Local Educational Agency (LEA) Providers: Effective **February 2, 2026**, the following changes will be made to the School-Based Medicaid Program (SBMP) and reflected on the [EPSDT Health Services – Provider Type 70](#) fee schedule.

If any of the procedure codes below are submitted without a required modifier, the procedure code will be denied.

Procedure Code	Required Modifiers (defined below)
90846 (family psychotherapy w/o patient present)	AF, AH, AJ, HF or HO
90847 (family psychotherapy w/ patient present)	AF, AH, AJ, HF or HO
90853 (group psychotherapy)	AF, AH, AJ, HF or HO
H0004 (behavioral health counseling and treatment, per 15 minutes)	AH, AJ or HO
H0005 (alcohol and/or drug services; group)	AH, AJ or HO

Modifier Descriptions

Modifier	Description
AF	Psychiatrist (specialty physician)
AH	Clinical Psychologist
AJ	Clinical Social Worker
HF	Licensed Addiction Counselor (substance abuse program)
HO	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT) (master's degree program)

Change in Coverage

Procedure Code	Change
97032 (Electrical stimulation)	Procedure code will deny when submitted by PT 70

For full details, please see [Informational Bulletin 26-01](#).

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