



Effective on claims with dates of service on or after September 18, 2023, modifier U8 is no longer required on initial claims – please disregard the modifier U8 instruction in this announcement.

See [Web Announcement 3171](#) for notification of this billing change.

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Web Announcement 2651

Attention Provider Type 86 (Specialized Foster Care): Include Modifier U8 on Initial Claim when Attaching Eligibility Checklist

Provider type (PT) 86 (Specialized Foster Care) must attach an Eligibility Checklist that has been completed by the Care Coordinator with the **initial claim** for services and annually thereafter through re-evaluation completion for a recipient. The initial claim must include modifier U8 to indicate the Eligibility Checklist is attached.

Any initial claims submitted by PT 86 with dates of service on or after September 28, 2021, with the Eligibility Checklist attached that did not include modifier U8, **and were paid**, must be adjusted by the provider to add the U8 modifier. Please adjust these claims within timely filing requirements.

Claims with dates of service on or after September 28, 2021, will be reprocessed automatically to apply the correct limitation policy. A future web announcement will notify providers when the claims are reprocessed. Please note: When claims are reprocessed, please be aware that all system and clinical claim editor edits are applicable. As a result, there may be no additional payment, and other claim denials may be received. Providers have the right to appeal denied claims, including those denied upon reprocessing. Please refer to [Medicaid Services Manual Chapter 100](#) and the [Billing Manual](#) for information concerning the claim appeal process and time frames.

Reminder: The Eligibility Checklist is located next to the Billing Guide on the [Providers/Claims Billing Information](#) webpage.