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Durable medical equipment modifiers for new and rented equipment

Effective January 1, 2017, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield will require providers to report modifier NU – new equipment when submitting claims for purchased durable medical equipment (DME). The listed modifiers must be billed in the primary or first modifier field to determine appropriate reimbursement:

- Modifier NU: New equipment
- Modifier RR: Rented equipment

Anthem does not reimburse DME appended with modifier UE – Used equipment.

These modifiers are appropriate for DME, prosthetics and orthotics. These modifiers are inappropriate for supplies. Claims for supplies appended with Modifier NU, RR or UE may be denied.

For additional information, refer to the *DME Modifiers for New and Rented Equipment* reimbursement policy at www.anthem.com/WIMedicaidDoc.

<https://mediproviders.anthem.com/wi>

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