MODIFIER 59
DECISION-MAKING PROCESS

INGA ELLZEY BILLING COMPANIES

DOES THE PROCEDURE/SERVICE QUALIFY FOR THE USE OF THE 59 MODIFIER? → **NO**

YES ↓

ARE YOU BILLING FOR TWO OR MORE PROCEDURES THAT MAY BE BUNDLED UNDER NCCI? → **NO**

→ MODIFIER 59 IS **NOT** REQUIRED

YES ↓

IS THIS PROCEDURE PART OF A NCCI CODE PAIR THAT HAS A MODIFIER INDICATOR OF '0'? → **NO** → IS NCCI MODIFIER INDICATOR '1'? → **NO**

YES ↓

DO **NOT** USE THE 59 MODIFIER

YES ↓

IS ANOTHER MORE SPECIFIC AND DESCRIPTIVE MODIFIER AVAILABLE TO EXPLAIN THE SEPARATE STATUS? → **NO** → APPEND THE 59 MODIFIER TO COMPONENT (MINOR) CODE (ENSURE PROPER DOCUMENTATION SUPPORTS SEPARATE STATUS).

YES ↓

USE ANOTHER APPROPRIATE OR ALREADY ESTABLISHED MODIFIER (E.G., RT, LT).