

## Private Duty Nursing

Billing Guide for Member to Nurse Ratios



Utilization review is performed to determine medical necessity and the appropriate member to nurse ratio for Private Duty Nursing (PDN) hours when a single nurse is caring for one or more STAR, STAR Health, STAR Kids or CHIP members. The table below details the billing methodology applicable to care of up to three members by a single nurse.

Member to Nurse Ratio	Hierarchy of Individualized Member Hours/Day	Required Modifier (As Applicable)	Allowable Percentage
1:1	100%	TE or TD	100% of contracted rate
2:1	Primary	TE or TD	100% of contracted rate
	Secondary	Primary TE or TD; Secondary U2	75% of contracted rate
3:1	Primary	TE or TD	100% of contracted rate
	Secondary	Primary TE or TD; Secondary U2	75% of contracted rate
	Tertiary	Primary TE or TD; Secondary U4	50% of contracted rate

Note: TE or TD modifier must always be placed in the first modifier position in all PDN claim submissions.

For more information, please refer to the *Superior HealthPlan STAR, CHIP, STAR+PLUS, STAR Health and STAR Kids Provider Manual*, section 10, by visiting [www.SuperiorHealthPlan.com/providers/training-manuals.html](http://www.SuperiorHealthPlan.com/providers/training-manuals.html).

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your Superior Account Manager. You can find your Account Manager by visiting [www.SuperiorHealthPlan.com/providers/resources/find-my-provider-rep.html](http://www.SuperiorHealthPlan.com/providers/resources/find-my-provider-rep.html).