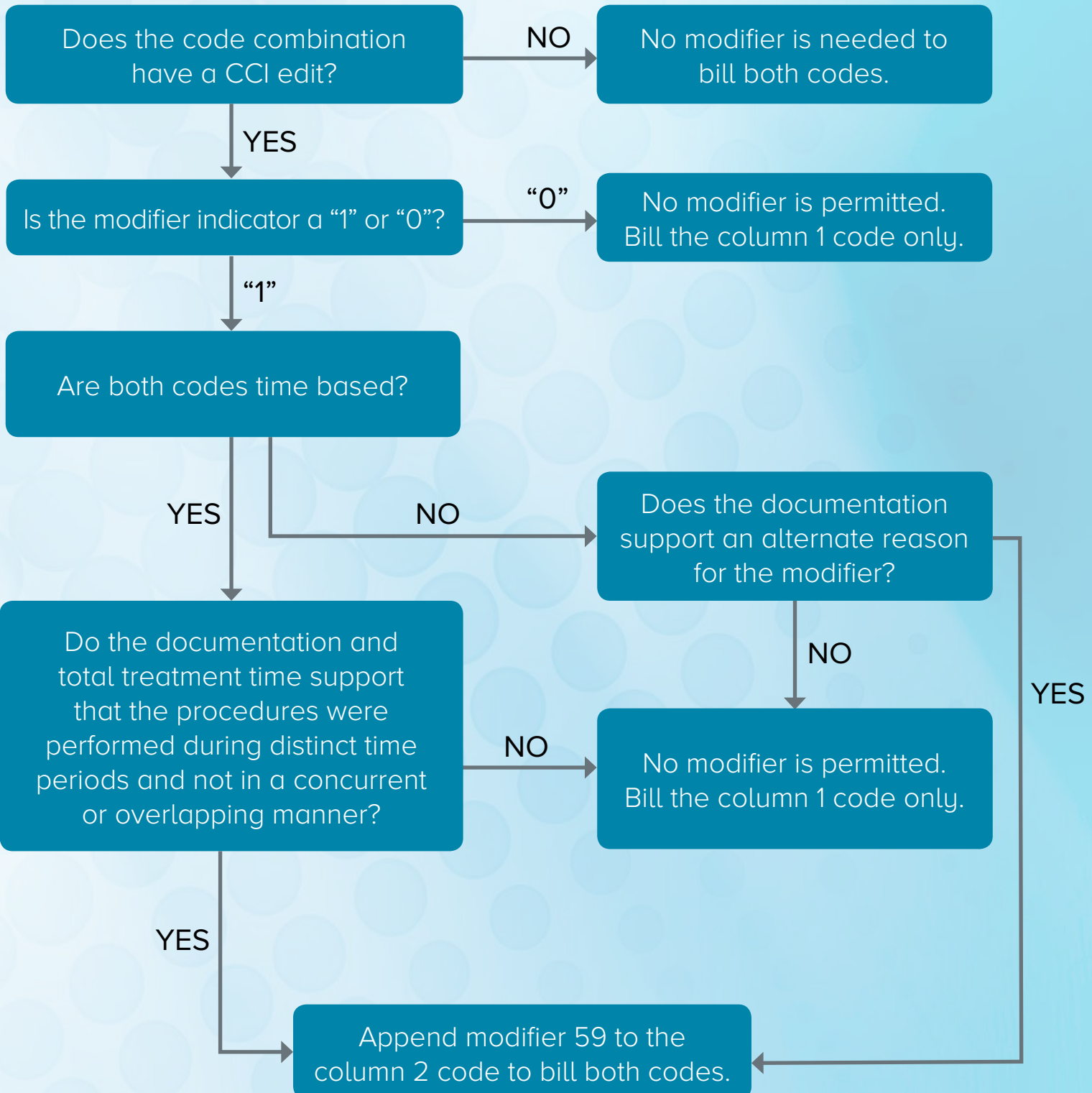


Use of Modifier 59

Can you bill a certain pair of codes during the same patient visit? Use this decision tree to help you determine if the code combination can be used and requires modifier 59.



Note: Some payers may require use of the X modifiers (XE, XP, XS, or XU) when more specificity is needed than modifier 59 provides. Check the payer policy for guidance. APTA's [National Correct Coding Initiative](#) webpage and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' ["Modifier 59 Article: Proper Usage Regarding Distinct Procedural Services"](#) offer more information.