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**CODERS' SPECIALTY GUIDE** 

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## **Integumentary System**

#### 10035

Placement of soft tissue localization device(s) (eg, clip, metallic pellet, wire/ needle, radioactive seeds), percutaneous, including imaging guidance; first lesion

#### **Clinical Responsibility**

When the patient is appropriately prepped and anesthetized, the provider uses image guidance to view the exact location of the lesion in the affected soft tissue. The provider then uses a needle introducer to place the localization device through the skin to the target tissue. After placing the device, the provider uses image guidance to ensure the correct position of the device, closes the site, and applies a bandage.

#### **Coding Tips**

This code is for the initial placement of a localization device for the first lesion; for each additional device placed, use +10036 in addition to code for primary procedure.

## Fee Schedule Information

**Medicare Fees (National):** Conversion Factor \$32.3465, Facility Fee: \$80.22, Non Facility Fee: \$339.96

**RVU (Facility):** Work RVU 1.70, Practice Exp. RVU 0.62, Malpractice RVU 0.16, Total RVU 2.48

**RVU (Non-Facility):** Work RVU 1.70, Practice Exp. RVU 8.65, Malpractice RVU 0.16, Total RVU 10.51

MPFS Payment Policy Indicators: Global Period 000, Preop 0.00%, Intraop 0.00%, Postop 0.00%, Radiology Diagnostic Test: 99, MPFS Status Indicator: A, PC/TC Indicator: 0, Endoscopic Base Code: None Practitioner MUE: 1

#### **Modifier Allowances**

22, 47, 50, 51, 52, 58, 59, 73, 74, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 99, AF, AG, AS, CT, GA, GC, GY, GZ, KX, LT, Q5, Q6, QJ, RT, XE, XP, XS, XU

#### NCCI Alerts (version 31.0)

00400<sup>0</sup>, 0213T<sup>0</sup>, 0216T<sup>0</sup>, 0596T<sup>1</sup>, 0597T<sup>1</sup>, 12001<sup>1</sup>, 12002<sup>1</sup>, 12004<sup>1</sup>, 12005<sup>1</sup>, 12006<sup>1</sup>, 12007<sup>1</sup>, 12011<sup>1</sup>, 12013<sup>1</sup>, 12014<sup>1</sup>, 12015<sup>1</sup>, 12016<sup>1</sup>, 12017<sup>1</sup>, 12018<sup>1</sup>, 12020<sup>1</sup>, 12021<sup>1</sup>, 12031<sup>1</sup>, 12032<sup>1</sup>, 12034<sup>1</sup>, 12035<sup>1</sup>, 12036<sup>1</sup>,

12037<sup>1</sup>, 12041<sup>1</sup>, 12042<sup>1</sup>, 12044<sup>1</sup>, 12045<sup>1</sup>, 12046<sup>1</sup>, 12047<sup>1</sup>, 12051<sup>1</sup>, 12052<sup>1</sup>, 12053<sup>1</sup>, 12054<sup>1</sup>, 12055<sup>1</sup>, 12056<sup>1</sup>, 12057<sup>1</sup>, 13100<sup>1</sup>, 13101<sup>1</sup>, 13102<sup>1</sup>, 13120<sup>1</sup>, 13121<sup>1</sup>, 13122<sup>1</sup>, 13131<sup>1</sup>, 13132<sup>1</sup>, 13133<sup>1</sup>, 13151<sup>1</sup>, 13152<sup>1</sup>, 13153<sup>1</sup>, 19281<sup>1</sup>, 19282<sup>1</sup>, 19283<sup>1</sup>, 19284<sup>1</sup>, 19285<sup>1</sup>, 19286<sup>1</sup>, 36000<sup>1</sup>, 36400<sup>1</sup>, 36405<sup>1</sup>, 36406<sup>1</sup>, 36410<sup>1</sup>, 36420<sup>1</sup>, 36425<sup>1</sup>, 36430<sup>1</sup>, 36440<sup>1</sup>, 36591<sup>0</sup>, 36592<sup>0</sup>, 36600<sup>1</sup>, 36640<sup>1</sup>, 36680<sup>1</sup>, 43752<sup>1</sup>, 49412<sup>1</sup>, 51701<sup>1</sup>, 51702<sup>1</sup>, 51703<sup>1</sup>, 62320<sup>0</sup>, 62321<sup>0</sup>, 62322<sup>0</sup>, 62323<sup>0</sup>, 623240, 623250, 623260, 623270, 644000, 64405°, 64408°, 64415°, 64416°, 64417° 644180, 644200, 644210, 644250, 644300, 64435°, 64445°, 64446°, 64447°, 64448°, 64449<sup>0</sup>, 64450<sup>1</sup>, 64451<sup>0</sup>, 64454<sup>1</sup>, 64461<sup>0</sup>, 64462°, 64463°, 64479°, 64480°, 64483°, 64484<sup>0</sup>, 64486<sup>0</sup>, 64487<sup>0</sup>, 64488<sup>0</sup>, 64489<sup>0</sup>, 64490°, 64491°, 64492°, 64493°, 64494°, 64495°, 64505°, 64510°, 64517°, 64520°, 64530<sup>0</sup>, 69990<sup>0</sup>, 76000<sup>1</sup>, 76380<sup>1</sup>, 76942<sup>1</sup>, 76998<sup>1</sup>, 77002<sup>1</sup>, 77011<sup>1</sup>, 77012<sup>1</sup>, 77021<sup>1</sup>,  $92012^{1}, 92014^{1}, 93000^{1}, 93005^{1}, 93010^{1},$ 93040<sup>1</sup>, 93041<sup>1</sup>, 93042<sup>1</sup>, 93318<sup>1</sup>, 93355<sup>1</sup>, 94002<sup>1</sup>, 94200<sup>1</sup>, 94680<sup>1</sup>, 94681<sup>1</sup>, 94690<sup>1</sup>, 95812<sup>1</sup>, 95813<sup>1</sup>, 95816<sup>1</sup>, 95819<sup>1</sup>, 95822<sup>1</sup>, 95829<sup>1</sup>, 95955<sup>1</sup>, 96360<sup>1</sup>, 96361<sup>1</sup>, 96365<sup>1</sup>, 96366<sup>1</sup>, 96367<sup>1</sup>, 96368<sup>1</sup>, 96372<sup>1</sup>, 96374<sup>1</sup>, 96375<sup>1</sup>, 96376<sup>1</sup>, 96377<sup>1</sup>, 96523<sup>0</sup>, 99155<sup>0</sup>, 99156<sup>0</sup>, 99157<sup>0</sup>, 99211<sup>1</sup>, 99212<sup>1</sup>, 99213<sup>1</sup>, 99214<sup>1</sup>, 99215<sup>1</sup>, 99221<sup>1</sup>, 99222<sup>1</sup>, 99223<sup>1</sup>, 99231<sup>1</sup>, 99232<sup>1</sup>, 99233<sup>1</sup>, 99234<sup>1</sup>, 99235<sup>1</sup>, 99236<sup>1</sup>, 99238<sup>1</sup>, 99239<sup>1</sup>, 99242<sup>1</sup>, 99243<sup>1</sup>, 99244<sup>1</sup>, 99245<sup>1</sup>, 99252<sup>1</sup>, 99253<sup>1</sup>, 99254<sup>1</sup>, 99255<sup>1</sup>, 99291<sup>1</sup>, 99292<sup>1</sup>, 99304<sup>1</sup>, 99305<sup>1</sup>, 99306<sup>1</sup>, 99307<sup>1</sup>, 99308<sup>1</sup>, 99309<sup>1</sup>, 99310<sup>1</sup>, 99315<sup>1</sup>, 99316<sup>1</sup>, 99347<sup>1</sup>, 99348<sup>1</sup>, 99349<sup>1</sup>,  $99350^1, 99374^1, 99375^1, 99377^1, 99378^1,$ 994460, 994470, 994480, 994490, 994510, 99452<sup>0</sup>, G0463<sup>1</sup>, G0471<sup>1</sup>, J0670<sup>1</sup>

#### ICD-10-CM Cross References

C43.52, C44.501, C44.511, C44.521, C44.591, C44.90, C49.0-C49.6, C49.10-C49.12, C49.20-C49.22, C49.8, C49.9, C4A.52, C50.011-C50.019, C50.021-C50.029, C50.111-C50.119, C50.121-C50.129, C50.211-C50.219, C50.221-C50.229, C50.311-C50.319, C50.321-C50.329, C50.411-C50.419, C50.421-C50.429, C50.511-C50.519, C50.521-C50.529, C50.611-C50.619, C50.621-C50.629, C50.811-C50.819, C50.821-C50.829, C50.911-C50.919, C50.921-C50.929, C77.0-C77.4, C77.8, C77.9, C79.2, C79.81, C79.89, D03.52, D04.9, D05.00-D05.02,

D05.10-D05.12, D05.80-D05.82, D05.90-D05.92, D09.20-D09.22, D21.0-D21.3, D21.10-D21.12, D21.20-D21.22, D21.5, D21.6, D21.9, D23.9, D24.1-D24.9, D31.60-D31.62, D36.0, D48.5, D48.60-D48.62, D48.7, D49.2, D49.3, D49.6, D49.89, M79.5

#### +10036

Placement of soft tissue localization device(s) (eg, clip, metallic pellet, wire/ needle, radioactive seeds), percutaneous, including imaging guidance; each additional lesion (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)

#### **Clinical Responsibility**

After placement of the first localization device and at the same session, the provider uses image guidance to view the exact location of the lesion in the affected soft tissue. The provider then uses a needle introducer to place an additional localization device through the skin to the target tissue. After placing the device, the provider uses image guidance to ensure the correct position of the device, closes the site, and applies a bandage.

#### **Coding Tips**

Because +10036 is an add-on code, payers will not reimburse you if you report it without the appropriate primary code, 10035 for the first lesion.

## Fee Schedule Information

**Medicare Fees (National):** Conversion Factor \$32.3465, Facility Fee: \$40.76, Non Facility Fee: \$276.24

**RVU (Facility):** Work RVU 0.85, Practice Exp. RVU 0.31, Malpractice RVU 0.10, Total RVU 1.26

**RVU (Non-Facility):** Work RVU 0.85, Practice Exp. RVU 7.59, Malpractice RVU 0.10, Total RVU 8.54

MPFS Payment Policy Indicators: Global Period ZZZ, Preop 0.00%, Intraop 0.00%, Postop 0.00%, Radiology Diagnostic Test: 99, MPFS Status Indicator: A, PC/TC Indicator: 0, Endoscopic Base Code: None Practitioner MUE: 2

#### **Modifier Allowances**

47, 52, 58, 59, 73, 74, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 99, AF, AG, AS, CT, GA, GC, GY, GZ, KX, LT, Q5, Q6, QJ, RT, XE, XP, XS, XU

#### NCCI Alerts (version 31.0)

00400°, 0213T°, 0216T°, 0596T1, 0597T1, 12001<sup>1</sup>, 12002<sup>1</sup>, 12004<sup>1</sup>, 12005<sup>1</sup>, 12006<sup>1</sup>, 12007<sup>1</sup>, 12011<sup>1</sup>, 12013<sup>1</sup>, 12014<sup>1</sup>, 12015<sup>1</sup>,  $12016^1$ ,  $12017^1$ ,  $12018^1$ ,  $12020^1$ ,  $12021^1$ ,  $12031^1, 12032^1, 12034^1, 12035^1, 12036^1,$ 12037<sup>1</sup>, 12041<sup>1</sup>, 12042<sup>1</sup>, 12044<sup>1</sup>, 12045<sup>1</sup>, 12046<sup>1</sup>, 12047<sup>1</sup>, 12051<sup>1</sup>, 12052<sup>1</sup>, 12053<sup>1</sup>, 12054<sup>1</sup>, 12055<sup>1</sup>, 12056<sup>1</sup>, 12057<sup>1</sup>, 13100<sup>1</sup>, 13101<sup>1</sup>, 13102<sup>1</sup>, 13120<sup>1</sup>, 13121<sup>1</sup>, 13122<sup>1</sup>, 13131<sup>1</sup>, 13132<sup>1</sup>, 13133<sup>1</sup>, 13151<sup>1</sup>, 13152<sup>1</sup>, 13153<sup>1</sup>, 19281<sup>1</sup>, 19282<sup>1</sup>, 19283<sup>1</sup>, 19284<sup>1</sup>, 19286<sup>1</sup>, 36000<sup>1</sup>, 36400<sup>1</sup>, 36405<sup>1</sup>, 36406<sup>1</sup>, 36410<sup>1</sup>, 36420<sup>1</sup>, 36425<sup>1</sup>, 36430<sup>1</sup>, 36440<sup>1</sup>, 36591°, 36592°, 36600°, 36640°, 36680°, 43752<sup>1</sup>, 51701<sup>1</sup>, 51702<sup>1</sup>, 51703<sup>1</sup>, 62320<sup>0</sup>, 62321°, 62322°, 62323°, 62324°, 62325°, 62326<sup>0</sup>, 62327<sup>0</sup>, 64400<sup>0</sup>, 64405<sup>0</sup>, 64408<sup>0</sup>, 644150, 644160, 644170, 644180, 644200, 644210, 644250, 644300, 644350, 644450, 64446<sup>0</sup>, 64447<sup>0</sup>, 64448<sup>0</sup>, 64449<sup>0</sup>, 64450<sup>1</sup>, 64451°, 64454<sup>1</sup>, 64461°, 64463°, 64479°, 644830, 644860, 644870, 644880, 644890, 64490°, 64493°, 64505°, 64510°, 64517°, 64520°, 64530°, 69990°, 76000°, 76380°, 76942<sup>1</sup>, 76998<sup>1</sup>, 77002<sup>1</sup>, 77011<sup>1</sup>, 77012<sup>1</sup>, 77021<sup>1</sup>, 92012<sup>1</sup>, 92014<sup>1</sup>, 93000<sup>1</sup>, 93005<sup>1</sup>, 93010<sup>1</sup>, 93040<sup>1</sup>, 93041<sup>1</sup>, 93042<sup>1</sup>, 93318<sup>1</sup>, 93355<sup>1</sup>, 94002<sup>1</sup>, 94200<sup>1</sup>, 94680<sup>1</sup>, 94681<sup>1</sup>, 94690<sup>1</sup>, 95812<sup>1</sup>, 95813<sup>1</sup>, 95816<sup>1</sup>, 95819<sup>1</sup>, 95822<sup>1</sup>, 95829<sup>1</sup>, 95955<sup>1</sup>, 96360<sup>1</sup>, 96365<sup>1</sup>, 96372<sup>1</sup>, 96374<sup>1</sup>, 96375<sup>1</sup>, 96376<sup>1</sup>, 96377<sup>1</sup>, 96523°, 99155°, 99156°, 99157°, 992111, 99212<sup>1</sup>, 99213<sup>1</sup>, 99214<sup>1</sup>, 99215<sup>1</sup>, 99221<sup>1</sup>, 99222<sup>1</sup>, 99223<sup>1</sup>, 99231<sup>1</sup>, 99232<sup>1</sup>, 99233<sup>1</sup>, 99234<sup>1</sup>, 99235<sup>1</sup>, 99236<sup>1</sup>, 99238<sup>1</sup>, 99239<sup>1</sup>, 992421, 992431, 992441, 992451, 992521, 99253<sup>1</sup>, 99254<sup>1</sup>, 99255<sup>1</sup>, 99291<sup>1</sup>, 99292<sup>1</sup>, 99304<sup>1</sup>, 99305<sup>1</sup>, 99306<sup>1</sup>, 99307<sup>1</sup>, 99308<sup>1</sup>, 99309<sup>1</sup>, 99310<sup>1</sup>, 99315<sup>1</sup>, 99316<sup>1</sup>, 99347<sup>1</sup>, 99348<sup>1</sup>, 99349<sup>1</sup>, 99350<sup>1</sup>, 99374<sup>1</sup>, 99375<sup>1</sup>, 99377<sup>1</sup>, 99378<sup>1</sup>, 99446<sup>0</sup>, 99447<sup>0</sup>, 99448<sup>0</sup>, 99449<sup>0</sup>, 99451<sup>0</sup>, 99452<sup>0</sup>, G0463<sup>1</sup>, G0471<sup>1</sup>,

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C50.411-C50.419, C50.421-C50.429,

C50.511-C50.519, C50.521-C50.529, C50.611-C50.619, C50.621-C50.629, C50.811-C50.819, C50.821-C50.829, C50.911-C50.919, C50.921-C50.929, C77.0-C77.4, C77.8, C77.9, C79.2, C79.81, C79.89, D03.52, D04.9, D05.00-D05.02, D05.10-D05.12, D05.80-D05.82, D05.90-D05.92, D09.20-D09.22, D21.0-D21.3, D21.10-D21.12, D21.20-D21.22, D21.5, D21.6, D21.9, D23.9, D24.1-D24.9, D31.60-D31.62, D36.0, D48.5, D48.60-D48.62, D48.7, D49.2, D49.3, D49.6, D49.89, M79.5

#### 19000

Puncture aspiration of cyst of breast

#### **Clinical Responsibility**

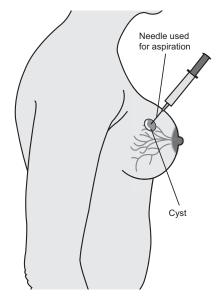
When the patient is appropriately prepped and anesthetized, typically by local anesthesia, the provider inserts a sterile needle into the cyst. He then withdraws the fluid from the cyst. The provider may also employ separately reportable imaging guidance for the procedure. Finally, he ensures hemostasis, which is stoppage of bleeding, and applies pressure on the site to prevent the accumulation of blood outside the blood vessels.

#### **Coding Tips**

Use +19001 for aspiration of each additional cyst of the breast with 19000.

If the provider performs the procedure under image guidance, use the appropriate code such as 76942 for ultrasound or 77021 for magnetic resonance imaging along with 19000.

#### Illustration



19000, +19001

## Fee Schedule Information

**Medicare Fees (National):** Conversion Factor \$32.3465, Facility Fee: \$41.08, Non Facility Fee: \$94.13

**RVU (Facility):** Work RVU 0.84, Practice Exp. RVU 0.31, Malpractice RVU 0.12, Total RVU 1.27

**RVU (Non-Facility):** Work RVU 0.84, Practice Exp. RVU 1.95, Malpractice RVU 0.12, Total RVU 2.91

MPFS Payment Policy Indicators: Global Period 000, Preop 0.00%, Intraop 0.00%, Postop 0.00%, Radiology Diagnostic Test: 99, MPFS Status Indicator: A, PC/TC Indicator: 0, Endoscopic Base Code: None Practitioner MUE: 2

#### **Modifier Allowances**

22, 51, 52, 58, 73, 74, 76, 77, 78, 79, 99, AQ, AR, GA, GC, GJ, GR, KX, LT, PD, O5, O6, OJ, RT

#### NCCI Alerts (version 31.0)

00400°, 0213T°, 0216T°, 0596T¹, 0597T¹, 12001¹, 12002¹, 12004¹, 12005¹, 12006¹, 12006¹, 12007¹, 12011¹, 12013¹, 12014¹, 12015¹, 12016¹, 12017¹, 12018¹, 12020¹, 12021¹, 12031¹, 12032¹, 12034¹, 12035¹, 12036¹, 12037¹, 12041¹, 12042¹, 12044¹, 12045¹, 12046¹, 12047¹, 12051¹, 12052¹, 12053¹, 12054¹, 12055¹, 12056¹, 12057¹, 13100¹, 13101¹, 13102¹, 13120¹, 13121¹, 13122¹, 13131¹, 13132¹, 13133¹, 13151¹, 13152¹, 13153¹, 36000¹, 36400¹, 36405¹, 36406¹, 36410¹, 36420¹, 36425¹, 36430¹, 36440¹, 36591°, 36592°, 36600¹, 36640¹, 43752¹,

# MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM

## **Musculoskeletal System**

#### 20500

Injection of sinus tract; therapeutic (separate procedure)

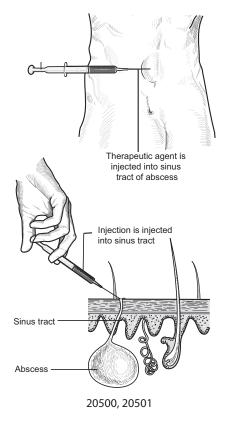
#### **Clinical Responsibility**

When the patient is appropriately prepped and the area anesthetized, the provider identifies the opening of the sinus tract. She injects the appropriate amount of a therapeutic agent directly into the sinus tract. She may use imaging guidance as an aid in the injection process.

#### **Coding Tips**

The provider may perform a sinogram to examine the extent of a patient's sinus tract. For this service, you should report 20501, Injection of sinus tract; diagnostic, sinogram. If the provider also performs a radiological study, report 76080, Radiologic examination, abscess, fistula or sinus tract study, radiological supervision and interpretation.

#### Illustration



## Fee Schedule Information

**Medicare Fees (National):** Conversion Factor \$32.3465, Facility Fee: \$88.63, Non Facility Fee: \$122.59

**RVU (Facility):** Work RVU 1.28, Practice Exp. RVU 1.30, Malpractice RVU 0.16, Total RVU 2.74

**RVU (Non-Facility):** Work RVU 1.28, Practice Exp. RVU 2.35, Malpractice RVU 0.16, Total RVU 3.79

MPFS Payment Policy Indicators: Global Period 010, Preop 10.00%, Intraop 80.00%, Postop 10.00%, Radiology Diagnostic Test: 99, MPFS Status Indicator: A, PC/TC Indicator: 0, Endoscopic Base Code: None Practitioner MUE: 2

#### **Modifier Allowances**

22, 47, 51, 52, 54, 55, 56, 58, 59, 63, 73, 74, 76, 77, 78, 79, 99, AQ, AR, CR, ET, GA, GC, GJ, GR, KX, LT, PD, Q5, Q6, QJ, RT, XE, XP, XS, XU

#### NCCI Alerts (version 31.0)

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0213T<sup>0</sup>, 0216T<sup>0</sup>, 0596T<sup>1</sup>, 0597T<sup>1</sup>, 11010<sup>1</sup>,
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64510°, 64517°, 64520°, 64530°, 69990°,
76000<sup>1</sup>, 77001<sup>1</sup>, 77002<sup>1</sup>, 92012<sup>1</sup>, 92014<sup>1</sup>,
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J86.0, K04.6, K11.4, K12.2, K31.6, K50.013, K50.113, K50.813, K50.913, K51.013, K51.213, K51.313, K51.413, K51.513, K51.813, K51.913, K63.2, K65.0-K65.2, K68.12, K68.19, K68.9, K82.3, K83.3, L05.01, L05.02, L05.91, L05.92, L08.9, L88, M25.10, M25.111-M25.119, M25.121-M25.129, M25.131-M25.139, M25.141-M25.149, M25.151-M25.159, M25.161-M25.169, M25.171-M25.176, M25.18, M46.20-M46.28, M86.30-M86.39, M86.311-M86.319, M86.321-M86.329, M86.331-M86.339, M86.341-M86.349, M86.351-M86.359, M86.361-M86.369, M86.371-M86.379, M86.40-M86.49, M86.411-M86.419, M86.421-M86.429, M86.431-M86.439, M86.441-M86.449, M86.451-M86.459, M86.461-M86.469, M86.471-M86.479, M86.50-M86.59, M86.511-M86.519, M86.521-M86.529, M86.531-M86.539, M86.541-M86.549, M86.551-M86.559, M86.561-M86.569, M86.571-M86.579, M86.60-M86.69, M86.611-M86.619, M86.621-M86.629, M86.631-M86.639, M86.641-M86.649, M86.651-M86.659, M86.661-M86.669, M86.671-M86.679, M86.8X0-M86.8X9, M86.9, N32.1, N32.2, N36.0, N82.0-N82.9, Q18.0, Q18.1, Q64.4, T81.83XA

#### 20501

Injection of sinus tract; diagnostic (sinogram)

#### **Clinical Responsibility**

When the patient is appropriately prepped and the area anesthetized, the provider identifies the opening of the sinus tract. She injects a diagnostic agent, such as fluoroscopic dye or contrast material, directly into the sinus tract. She may make

use of imaging guidance as an aid in the injection process.

#### **Coding Tips**

If a provider inserts a catheter into a percutaneous orifice, such as for a PEG tube, and injects contrast, report two codes: 20501, Injection of sinus tract; diagnostic, sinogram, and 76080, Radiologic examination, abscess, fistula or sinus tract study, radiological supervision and interpretation.

Be careful to report 49424, Contrast injection for assessment of abscess or cyst via previously placed drainage catheter or tube, separate procedure, and 76080, Radiologic examination, abscess, fistula or sinus tract study, radiological supervision and interpretation, only if the provider injects the tube and monitors the exam with fluoroscopy. Assign 76080 alone if only films were submitted for interpretation from a tube injection.

If the provider performed the radiological study in association with a sinogram at a procedure in a facility outside of her office, you cannot claim the technical component. Append modifier 26 to claim only the professional component.

## Fee Schedule Information

**Medicare Fees (National):** Conversion Factor \$32.3465, Facility Fee: \$34.61, Non Facility Fee: \$133.91

**RVU (Facility):** Work RVU 0.76, Practice Exp. RVU 0.25, Malpractice RVU 0.06, Total RVU 1.07

**RVU (Non-Facility):** Work RVU 0.76, Practice Exp. RVU 3.32, Malpractice RVU 0.06, Total RVU 4.14

MPFS Payment Policy Indicators: Global Period 000, Preop 0.00%, Intraop 0.00%, Postop 0.00%, Radiology Diagnostic Test: 99, MPFS Status Indicator: A, PC/TC Indicator: 0, Endoscopic Base Code: None Practitioner MUE: 2

#### **Modifier Allowances**

22, 47, 51, 52, 58, 59, 63, 73, 74, 76, 77, 78, 79, 99, AQ, AR, CR, ET, GA, GC, GJ, GR, KX, LT, PD, Q5, Q6, QJ, RT, XE, XP, XS, XU

#### NCCI Alerts (version 31.0)

0213T<sup>0</sup>, 0216T<sup>0</sup>, 0596T<sup>1</sup>, 0597T<sup>1</sup>, 11010<sup>1</sup>, 12001<sup>1</sup>, 12002<sup>1</sup>, 12004<sup>1</sup>, 12005<sup>1</sup>, 12006<sup>1</sup>, 12007<sup>1</sup>, 12011<sup>1</sup>, 12013<sup>1</sup>, 12014<sup>1</sup>, 12015<sup>1</sup>, 12016<sup>1</sup>, 12017<sup>1</sup>, 12018<sup>1</sup>, 12020<sup>1</sup>, 12021<sup>1</sup>, 12031<sup>1</sup>, 12032<sup>1</sup>, 12034<sup>1</sup>, 12035<sup>1</sup>, 12036<sup>1</sup>,

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M86.50-M86.59, M86.511-M86.519, M86.521-M86.529, M86.531-M86.539, M86.541-M86.549, M86.551-M86.559, M86.561-M86.569, M86.571-M86.579, M86.60-M86.69, M86.611-M86.619, M86.621-M86.629, M86.631-M86.639, M86.641-M86.649, M86.651-M86.659, M86.661-M86.669, M86.671-M86.679, M86.8X0-M86.8X9, M86.9, N32.1, N32.2, N36.0, N82.0-N82.9, Q18.0, Q18.1, Q38.0, Q64.4, T81.83XA

#### 20611

Arthrocentesis, aspiration and/or injection, major joint or bursa (eg, shoulder, hip, knee, subacromial bursa); with ultrasound guidance, with permanent recording and reporting

#### **Clinical Responsibility**

When the patient is appropriately prepped and anesthetized, the provider inserts a needle through the skin and into the large sized joint or bursa typically the shoulder, hip, knee, or subacromial bursa. Under ultrasound guidance, he then uses a syringe with the needle to remove fluid from the joint or bursa. The provider also permanently records the findings. After he aspirates the joint or bursa, he sends the fluid sample to the laboratory for further examination. He may also inject a drug into the joint or bursa for therapeutic purposes such as pharmacotherapy or lavage. He then removes the needle and applies pressure to stop any bleeding.

#### **Coding Tips**

Report 20611 only for joints or bursae of a large size, such as the shoulder, hip, knee, or the olecranon bursa.

When the provider performs arthrocentesis, aspiration and or injection of a major joint or bursa and he does not use ultrasound guidance in the performance of the procedure, use code 20610, Arthrocentesis, aspiration and/or injection, major joint or bursa (eg, shoulder, hip, knee, subacromial bursa); without ultrasound guidance.

## Fee Schedule Information

**Medicare Fees (National):** Conversion Factor \$32.3465, Facility Fee: \$57.25, Non Facility Fee: \$96.39

## **Cardiovascular System**

#### 33016

Pericardiocentesis, including imaging guidance, when performed

#### **Clinical Responsibility**

When the patient is appropriately prepped and anesthetized, the provider selects a site typically between the xiphoid process and the left sternocostal margin. The provider may create a small incision to reduce needle resistance and then advances a needle attached to a syringe or suction device into the pericardial space. The provider often uses fluoroscopic or ultrasound imaging guidance to ensure accuracy of the needle placement. The provider identifies the proper location and then aspirates fluid from the pericardial sac into the syringe, after which he withdraws the needle.

Pericardiocentesis may be performed to relieve pericardial effusion or cardiac tamponade as well as for diagnostic, palliative, or prophylactic purposes.

#### **Coding Tips**

Imaging guidance, if performed, is included with this code. Do not report separately.

For percutaneous pericardial drainage with insertion of an indwelling catheter, with or without fluoroscopy and/or ultrasound guidance, in a patient 6 years old and older without congenital cardiac anomaly, report 33017, and for the same procedure in a newborn through 5 years of age or in a patient of any age with congenital cardiac anomaly, report 33018.

For percutaneous pericardial drainage with insertion of indwelling catheter under computed tomography (CT) imaging quidance, report 33019.

## Fee Schedule Information

**Medicare Fees (National):** Conversion Factor \$32.3465, Facility Fee: \$222.87, Non Facility Fee: \$222.87

**RVU (Facility):** Work RVU 4.40, Practice Exp. RVU 1.52, Malpractice RVU 0.97, Total RVU 6.89

**RVU (Non-Facility):** Work RVU 4.40, Practice Exp. RVU 1.52, Malpractice RVU 0.97, Total RVU 6.89

MPFS Payment Policy Indicators: Global Period 000, Preop 0.00%, Intraop 0.00%, Postop 0.00%, Radiology Diagnostic Test: 99, MPFS Status Indicator: A, PC/TC Indicator: 0, Endoscopic Base Code: None Practitioner MUE: 1

#### **Modifier Allowances**

22, 51, 52, 53, 58, 59, 63, 73, 74, 76, 77, 78, 79, 99, AQ, AR, CG, CR, ET, GA, GC, GJ, GR, GZ, KX, PD, Q5, Q6, QJ, SC, XE, XP, XS, XU

#### NCCI Alerts (version 31.0)

0213T<sup>0</sup>, 0216T<sup>0</sup>, 0596T<sup>1</sup>, 0597T<sup>1</sup>, 0694T<sup>1</sup>, 0708T<sup>1</sup>, 0709T<sup>1</sup>, 12001<sup>1</sup>, 12002<sup>1</sup>, 12004<sup>1</sup>, 12005<sup>1</sup>, 12006<sup>1</sup>, 12007<sup>1</sup>, 12020<sup>1</sup>, 12021<sup>1</sup>, 12031<sup>1</sup>, 12032<sup>1</sup>, 12034<sup>1</sup>, 12035<sup>1</sup>, 12036<sup>1</sup>, 12037<sup>1</sup>, 12041<sup>1</sup>, 12042<sup>1</sup>, 12044<sup>1</sup>, 12045<sup>1</sup>, 12046<sup>1</sup>, 12047<sup>1</sup>, 13100<sup>1</sup>, 13101<sup>1</sup>, 13102<sup>1</sup>, 13120<sup>1</sup>, 13121<sup>1</sup>, 13122<sup>1</sup>, 13131<sup>1</sup>, 13132<sup>1</sup>, 13133<sup>1</sup>, 33210<sup>0</sup>, 33211<sup>0</sup>, 35201<sup>1</sup>, 35206<sup>1</sup>, 35211<sup>1</sup>, 35216<sup>1</sup>, 35226<sup>1</sup>, 35241<sup>1</sup>, 35251<sup>1</sup>, 35261<sup>1</sup>, 35266<sup>1</sup>, 35271<sup>1</sup>, 35276<sup>1</sup>, 35286<sup>1</sup>, 36000<sup>1</sup>, 36400<sup>1</sup>, 36405<sup>1</sup>, 36406<sup>1</sup>, 36410<sup>1</sup>, 36420<sup>1</sup>, 36425<sup>1</sup>, 36430<sup>1</sup>, 36440<sup>1</sup>, 36591<sup>0</sup>, 36592<sup>0</sup>, 36600<sup>1</sup>, 36640<sup>1</sup>, 39000<sup>1</sup>, 39010<sup>1</sup>, 43752<sup>1</sup>, 51701<sup>1</sup>, 51702<sup>1</sup>, 51703<sup>1</sup>, 62320<sup>0</sup>, 623210, 623220, 623230, 623240, 623250, 62326<sup>0</sup>, 62327<sup>0</sup>, 64400<sup>0</sup>, 64405<sup>0</sup>, 64408<sup>0</sup>, 644150, 644160, 644170, 644180, 644200, 64421°, 64425°, 64430°, 64435°, 64445°, 64446<sup>0</sup>, 64447<sup>0</sup>, 64448<sup>0</sup>, 64449<sup>0</sup>, 64450<sup>0</sup>, 64451°, 64454°, 64461°, 64462°, 64463°, 644790, 644800, 644830, 644840, 644860, 644870, 644880, 644890, 644900, 644910, 644920, 644930, 644940, 644950, 645050, 64510°, 64517°, 64520°, 64530°, 69990°, 76000<sup>1</sup>, 76376<sup>1</sup>, 76377<sup>1</sup>, 76380<sup>1</sup>, 76942<sup>1</sup>, 76998<sup>1</sup>, 77001<sup>1</sup>, 77002<sup>1</sup>, 77012<sup>1</sup>, 77021<sup>1</sup>, 93000<sup>1</sup>, 93005<sup>1</sup>, 93010<sup>1</sup>, 93040<sup>1</sup>, 93041<sup>1</sup>, 93042<sup>1</sup>, 93303<sup>1</sup>, 93304<sup>1</sup>, 93306<sup>1</sup>, 93307<sup>1</sup>, 93308<sup>1</sup>, 93312<sup>1</sup>, 93313<sup>1</sup>, 93314<sup>1</sup>, 93315<sup>1</sup>, 93316<sup>1</sup>, 93317<sup>1</sup>, 93318<sup>1</sup>, 93320<sup>1</sup>, 93321<sup>1</sup>, 93325<sup>1</sup>, 93355<sup>1</sup>, 94002<sup>1</sup>, 94200<sup>1</sup>, 94680<sup>1</sup>, 94681<sup>1</sup>, 94690<sup>1</sup>, 95812<sup>1</sup>, 95813<sup>1</sup>, 95816<sup>1</sup>, 95819<sup>1</sup>, 95822<sup>1</sup>, 95829<sup>1</sup>, 95955<sup>1</sup>, 96360<sup>1</sup>, 96361<sup>1</sup>, 96365<sup>1</sup>, 96366<sup>1</sup>, 96367<sup>1</sup>, 96368<sup>1</sup>, 96372<sup>1</sup>, 96374<sup>1</sup>, 96375<sup>1</sup>, 96376<sup>1</sup>, 96377<sup>1</sup>, 96523<sup>0</sup>, 99155<sup>0</sup>, 99156<sup>0</sup>, 99157<sup>0</sup>, 99211<sup>1</sup>, 99212<sup>1</sup>, 99213<sup>1</sup>, 99214<sup>1</sup>, 99215<sup>1</sup>, 99221<sup>1</sup>, 992221, 992231, 992311, 992321, 992331, 99234<sup>1</sup>, 99235<sup>1</sup>, 99236<sup>1</sup>, 99238<sup>1</sup>, 99239<sup>1</sup>, 992421, 992431, 992441, 992451, 992521, 99253<sup>1</sup>, 99254<sup>1</sup>, 99255<sup>1</sup>, 99291<sup>1</sup>, 99292<sup>1</sup>,

99304<sup>1</sup>, 99305<sup>1</sup>, 99306<sup>1</sup>, 99307<sup>1</sup>, 99308<sup>1</sup>, 99309<sup>1</sup>, 99310<sup>1</sup>, 99315<sup>1</sup>, 99316<sup>1</sup>, 99347<sup>1</sup>, 99348<sup>1</sup>, 99349<sup>1</sup>, 99350<sup>1</sup>, 99374<sup>1</sup>, 99375<sup>1</sup>, 99377<sup>1</sup>, 99378<sup>1</sup>, 99446<sup>0</sup>, 99447<sup>0</sup>, 99448<sup>0</sup>, 99449<sup>0</sup>, 99451<sup>0</sup>, 99452<sup>0</sup>, 99495<sup>1</sup>, 99496<sup>1</sup>, G0463<sup>1</sup>, G0471<sup>1</sup>

#### ICD-10-CM Cross References

A18.84, C38.0, C45.2, C79.89, C79.9, D15.1, D48.7, I01.0, I09.2, I25.10, I30.0-I30.9, I31.0-I31.2, I31.31, I31.39, I31.4, I31.8, I31.9, I32, I47.0, I47.20-I47.29, I51.7, I97.110, I97.111, I97.120, I97.121, I97.130, I97.131, I97.190, I97.191, I97.710, I97.711, I97.790, I97.791, I97.88, I97.89, M32.12, R06.00-R06.03, R06.09, R06.3, R06.83, R06.89, R07.82, R07.89, R07.9

#### 33017

Pericardial drainage with insertion of indwelling catheter, percutaneous, including fluoroscopy and/or ultrasound guidance, when performed; 6 years and older without congenital cardiac anomaly

#### **Clinical Responsibility**

This procedure is performed on a patient who is 6 years old or older and who does not have a congenital cardiac anomaly. When the patient is appropriately prepped and anesthetized, the provider selects a site typically between the xiphoid process and the left sternocostal margin. The provider may create a small incision to reduce needle resistance and then advances a needle attached to a syringe or suction device into the pericardial space. The provider often uses fluoroscopic or ultrasound imaging guidance to ensure accuracy of the needle placement. The provider identifies the proper location and then aspirates fluid from the pericardial sac into the syringe, after which he withdraws the needle. He then inserts a catheter through the same puncture site, which he leaves indwelling for further drainage in case the fluid builds up again.

Pericardial drainage may be performed to relieve pericardial effusion or cardiac tamponade as well as for diagnostic, palliative, or prophylactic purposes.

#### **Coding Tips**

Ultrasound or fluoroscopic imaging is included with this procedure, so do not report it separately.

For the same procedure in a newborn through 5 years of age or in a patient of any age with congenital cardiac anomaly, report 33018.

For pericardiocentesis including imaging guidance when performed, report 33016.

For percutaneous pericardial drainage with insertion of indwelling catheter under computed tomography (CT) imaging quidance, report 33019.

## Fee Schedule Information

**Medicare Fees (National):** Conversion Factor \$32.3465, Facility Fee: \$234.51, Non Facility Fee: \$234.51

**RVU (Facility):** Work RVU 4.62, Practice Exp. RVU 1.61, Malpractice RVU 1.02, Total RVU 7.25

**RVU (Non-Facility):** Work RVU 4.62, Practice Exp. RVU 1.61, Malpractice RVU 1.02, Total RVU 7.25

MPFS Payment Policy Indicators: Global Period 000, Preop 0.00%, Intraop 0.00%, Postop 0.00%, Radiology Diagnostic Test: 99, MPFS Status Indicator: A, PC/TC Indicator: 0, Endoscopic Base Code: None Practitioner MUE: 1

#### **Modifier Allowances**

22, 47, 51, 52, 53, 58, 59, 63, 76, 77, 78, 79, 99, AQ, AR, CG, CR, ET, GA, GC, GJ, GR, GZ, KX, PD, Q5, Q6, QJ, SC, XE, XP, XS, XU

#### NCCI Alerts (version 31.0)

0213T<sup>0</sup>, 0216T<sup>0</sup>, 0596T<sup>1</sup>, 0597T<sup>1</sup>, 0694T<sup>1</sup>, 0708T<sup>1</sup>, 0709T<sup>1</sup>, 11000<sup>1</sup>, 11001<sup>1</sup>, 11042<sup>1</sup>, 11043<sup>1</sup>, 11044<sup>1</sup>, 11045<sup>1</sup>, 11046<sup>1</sup>, 11047<sup>1</sup>, 12001<sup>1</sup>, 12002<sup>1</sup>, 12004<sup>1</sup>, 12005<sup>1</sup>, 12006<sup>1</sup>, 12007<sup>1</sup>, 12020<sup>1</sup>, 12021<sup>1</sup>, 12031<sup>1</sup>, 12032<sup>1</sup>, 12034<sup>1</sup>, 12035<sup>1</sup>, 12036<sup>1</sup>, 12037<sup>1</sup>, 12041<sup>1</sup>, 12042<sup>1</sup>, 12044<sup>1</sup>, 12045<sup>1</sup>, 12046<sup>1</sup>, 12047<sup>1</sup>, 13100<sup>1</sup>, 13101<sup>1</sup>, 13102<sup>1</sup>, 13120<sup>1</sup>, 13121<sup>1</sup>, 13122<sup>1</sup>, 13131<sup>1</sup>, 13132<sup>1</sup>, 13133<sup>1</sup>, 33016<sup>1</sup>, 33210<sup>0</sup>, 33211<sup>0</sup>, 36000<sup>1</sup>, 36400<sup>1</sup>, 36405<sup>1</sup>, 36406<sup>1</sup>, 36410<sup>1</sup>, 36420<sup>1</sup>, 36425<sup>1</sup>, 36430<sup>1</sup>, 36440<sup>1</sup>, 36591<sup>0</sup>, 36592<sup>0</sup>, 36600<sup>1</sup>, 36640<sup>1</sup>, 39000<sup>1</sup>, 39010<sup>1</sup>, 43752<sup>1</sup>, 51701<sup>1</sup>, 51702<sup>1</sup>, 51703<sup>1</sup>, 62320<sup>0</sup>, 62321<sup>0</sup>, 62322<sup>0</sup>, 62323<sup>0</sup>, 623240, 623250, 623260, 623270, 644000, 64405°, 64408°, 64415°, 64416°, 64417°, 64418°, 64420°, 64421°, 64425°, 64430°, 64435°, 64445°, 64446°, 64447°, 64448°, 644490, 644500, 644510, 644540, 644610,

644620, 644630, 644790, 644800, 644830, 64484°, 64486°, 64487°, 64488°, 64489°, 64490°, 64491°, 64492°, 64493°, 64494°, 64495°, 64505°, 64510°, 64517°, 64520°, 64530°, 69990°, 759891, 760001, 763761, 76377<sup>1</sup>, 76380<sup>1</sup>, 76942<sup>1</sup>, 76998<sup>1</sup>, 77001<sup>1</sup>, 77002<sup>1</sup>, 77012<sup>1</sup>, 77021<sup>1</sup>, 93000<sup>1</sup>, 93005<sup>1</sup>, 93010<sup>1</sup>, 93040<sup>1</sup>, 93041<sup>1</sup>, 93042<sup>1</sup>, 93303<sup>1</sup>, 93304<sup>1</sup>, 93306<sup>1</sup>, 93307<sup>1</sup>, 93308<sup>1</sup>, 93312<sup>1</sup>, 93313<sup>1</sup>, 93314<sup>1</sup>, 93315<sup>1</sup>, 93316<sup>1</sup>, 93317<sup>1</sup>, 93318<sup>1</sup>, 93320<sup>1</sup>, 93321<sup>1</sup>, 93325<sup>1</sup>, 93355<sup>1</sup>, 94002<sup>1</sup>, 94200<sup>1</sup>, 94680<sup>1</sup>, 94681<sup>1</sup>, 94690<sup>1</sup>, 95812<sup>1</sup>, 95813<sup>1</sup>, 95816<sup>1</sup>, 95819<sup>1</sup>, 95822<sup>1</sup>, 95829<sup>1</sup>, 95955<sup>1</sup>, 96360<sup>1</sup>, 96361<sup>1</sup>, 96365<sup>1</sup>, 96366<sup>1</sup>, 96367<sup>1</sup>, 96368<sup>1</sup>, 96372<sup>1</sup>, 96374<sup>1</sup>, 96375<sup>1</sup>, 96376<sup>1</sup>, 96377<sup>1</sup>, 96523<sup>0</sup>, 97597<sup>1</sup>, 97598<sup>1</sup>, 97602<sup>1</sup>, 99155<sup>0</sup>, 99156<sup>0</sup>, 99157<sup>0</sup>, 99211<sup>1</sup>, 99212<sup>1</sup>, 99213<sup>1</sup>, 99214<sup>1</sup>, 99215<sup>1</sup>, 99221<sup>1</sup>, 99222<sup>1</sup>, 99223<sup>1</sup>, 99231<sup>1</sup>, 99232<sup>1</sup>, 99233<sup>1</sup>, 99234<sup>1</sup>, 99235<sup>1</sup>, 99236<sup>1</sup>, 99238<sup>1</sup>, 992391, 992421, 992431, 992441, 992451, 99252<sup>1</sup>, 99253<sup>1</sup>, 99254<sup>1</sup>, 99255<sup>1</sup>, 99291<sup>1</sup>, 99292<sup>1</sup>, 99304<sup>1</sup>, 99305<sup>1</sup>, 99306<sup>1</sup>, 99307<sup>1</sup>, 99308<sup>1</sup>, 99309<sup>1</sup>, 99310<sup>1</sup>, 99315<sup>1</sup>, 99316<sup>1</sup>, 99347<sup>1</sup>, 99348<sup>1</sup>, 99349<sup>1</sup>, 99350<sup>1</sup>, 99374<sup>1</sup>, 99375<sup>1</sup>, 99377<sup>1</sup>, 99378<sup>1</sup>, 99446<sup>0</sup>, 99447<sup>0</sup>, 994480, 994490, 994510, 994520, 994950, 99496<sup>0</sup>, G0463<sup>1</sup>, G0471<sup>1</sup>

## ICD-10-CM Cross References

A18.84, C38.0, C45.2, C79.89, C79.9, D15.1, D48.7, I01.0, I09.2, I25.10, I30.0-I30.9, I31.0-I31.2, I31.31, I31.39, I31.4, I31.8, I31.9, I32, I47.0, I47.20-I47.29, I51.7, I97.110, I97.111, I97.120, I97.121, I97.130, I97.131, I97.190, I97.191, I97.710, I97.711, I97.790, I97.791, I97.88, I97.89, M32.12, R06.00-R06.03, R06.09, R06.3, R06.83, R06.89, R07.82, R07.89, R07.9

#### 33018

Pericardial drainage with insertion of indwelling catheter, percutaneous, including fluoroscopy and/or ultrasound guidance, when performed; birth through 5 years of age or any age with congenital cardiac anomaly

#### **Clinical Responsibility**

This procedure is performed on a patient who is a newborn up through 5 years old or any patient of any age with a congenital cardiac anomaly. When the patient is appropriately prepped and anesthetized, the provider selects a site typically between the xiphoid process and the left sternocostal margin. The provider may create a small incision to reduce needle

resistance and then advances a needle attached to a syringe or suction device into the pericardial space. The provider usually uses fluoroscopic or ultrasound imaging guidance to ensure accuracy of the needle placement and assess the congenital cardiac anomaly. The provider identifies the proper location and then aspirates fluid from the pericardial sac into the syringe, after which he withdraws the needle. He then inserts a catheter through the same puncture site, which he leaves indwelling for further drainage in case the fluid builds up again.

Pericardial drainage may be performed to relieve pericardial effusion or cardiac tamponade as well as for diagnostic, palliative, or prophylactic purposes.

#### **Coding Tips**

Ultrasound or fluoroscopic imaging is included with this procedure, so do not report it separately.

For the same procedure in a patient 6 years old and older without congenital cardiac anomaly, report 33017.

For pericardiocentesis including imaging guidance when performed, report 33016.

For percutaneous pericardial drainage with insertion of indwelling catheter under computed tomography (CT) imaging guidance, report 33019.

#### Fee Schedule Information

**Medicare Fees (National):** Conversion Factor \$32.3465, Facility Fee: \$275.27, Non Facility Fee: \$275.27

**RVU (Facility):** Work RVU 5.40, Practice Exp. RVU 1.86, Malpractice RVU 1.25, Total RVU 8.51

**RVU (Non-Facility):** Work RVU 5.40, Practice Exp. RVU 1.86, Malpractice RVU 1.25, Total RVU 8.51

MPFS Payment Policy Indicators: Global Period 000, Preop 0.00%, Intraop 0.00%, Postop 0.00%, Radiology Diagnostic Test: 99, MPFS Status Indicator: A, PC/TC Indicator: 0, Endoscopic Base Code: None Practitioner MUE: 1

#### **Modifier Allowances**

22, 47, 51, 52, 53, 58, 59, 63, 76, 77, 78, 79, 99, AQ, AR, CG, CR, ET, GA, GC, GJ, GR, GZ, KX, PD, Q5, Q6, QJ, SC, XE, XP, XS, XU

## Radiology

#### 70010

Myelography, posterior fossa, radiological supervision and interpretation

#### **Clinical Responsibility**

This code represents the technical and professional components of a service. The provider performs radiographic diagnostic study of the posterior cranial fossa while utilizing fluoroscopy imaging for the assessment of any intracranial pathology. He performs a lumbar puncture and injects contrast material into the subarachnoid space to enhance image sequences. He supervises the performance of the entire radiological procedure and interprets the findings. The provider who performs imaging supervision and interpretation for this procedure reports this code.

#### **Coding Tips**

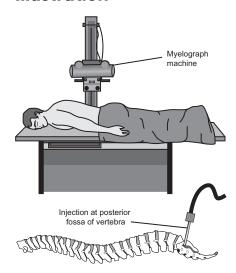
There may be rare instances where one provider supervises the radiology service and another provider interprets it. According to Medicare guidelines, each provider should report the radiology code and append reduced service modifier 52. Each should also append modifier 26 to the code to report only the professional component.

To assign a code whose descriptor includes contrast, the contrast must be intravascular, intraarticular, or intrathecal.

Depending on the payer's guidelines, providers who supply contrast may also separately report the contrast using a 99070 supply code or a HCPCS Level II code. Check individual payers' policies for contrast coverage and reportable supply codes.

If you are reporting only the interpretation or professional component for X-rays taken using portable equipment, you should report the same service code from the 70010 to 79999, Radiology procedures, range that you would report for nonportable services. Report a place of service, or POS, code reflecting where the doctor performed his service.

#### Illustration





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## Fee Schedule Information

**Medicare Fees (National):** Conversion Factor \$32.3465, Facility Fee: \$56.61, Non Facility Fee: \$56.61

**RVU (Facility):** Work RVU 1.19, Practice Exp. RVU 0.44, Malpractice RVU 0.12, Total RVU 1.75

**RVU (Non-Facility):** Work RVU 1.19, Practice Exp. RVU 0.44, Malpractice RVU 0.12, Total RVU 1.75

MPFS Payment Policy Indicators: Global Period XXX, Preop 0.00%, Intraop 0.00%, Postop 0.00%, Radiology Diagnostic Test: 99, MPFS Status Indicator: A, PC/TC Indicator: 0, Endoscopic Base Code: None Practitioner MUE: 1

#### **Modifier Allowances**

52, 53, 76, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 99, AQ, AR, AS, CR, ET, FX, FY, GA, GC, GJ, GR, KX, PD, Q5, Q6, QJ

#### NCCI Alerts (version 31.0)

0708T<sup>1</sup>, 0709T<sup>1</sup>, 36000<sup>1</sup>, 36406<sup>1</sup>, 36410<sup>1</sup>, 36591<sup>0</sup>, 36592<sup>0</sup>, 76000<sup>1</sup>, 77001<sup>1</sup>, 77002<sup>1</sup>, 77003<sup>1</sup>, 96372<sup>1</sup>, 96374<sup>1</sup>, 96375<sup>1</sup>, 96376<sup>1</sup>, 96377<sup>1</sup>, 96523<sup>0</sup>

## ICD-10-CM Cross References

C71.5, C71.8, C72.9, C79.31, C79.32, C79.40, C79.49, C79.51, C79.52, C7A.00, C7A.1, C7A.8, C7B.00, C7B.03, D3A.00, D3A.098, D3A.8, D42.0-D42.9, D43.0-D43.2, D43.4, D48.2, D49.2, G02, G06.2, G07, G91.0, G91.1, G91.3, G91.8, G91.9, G93.2, G96.00-G96.09, G96.12, G96.198, G96.810-G96.819, G97.48, G97.49, G97.81-G97.84, H53.2, M48.40XA, M48.41XA, M48.42XA, M54.10, M54.18, M79.2, M84.30XA, M84.38XA, Q04.9, Q05.0-Q05.3, Q07.9, Q85.00-Q85.09, R29.2, R93.7, R94.131, S14.109S, T85.09XA, T85.190A, T85.192A, T85.193A, T85.199A, T85.730A, T85.731A, T85.732A, T85.733A, T85.734A, T85.735A, T85.738A, T85.810A, T85.820A, T85.830A, T85.840A, T85.850A, T85.860A, T85.890A, T88.8XXA, Z98.2

#### 70015

Cisternography, positive contrast, radiological supervision and interpretation

#### **Clinical Responsibility**

This code represents the technical and professional components of a service in which the provider performs radionuclide imaging of the basal cisterns of the brain to determine abnormal CSF flow or leak. He performs a lumbar puncture and injects contrast material in the form of radioisotopes into the subarachnoid space. He supervises the performance of the entire radiological procedure and interprets the findings. The provider who performs imaging supervision and interpretation for this procedure reports this code.

#### **Coding Tips**

There may be rare instances where one provider supervises the radiology service and another provider interprets it. According to Medicare guidelines, each provider should report the radiology code and append reduced service modifier 52.

Each should also append modifier 26 to the code to report only the professional component.

To assign a code whose descriptor includes contrast, the contrast must be intravascular, intraarticular, or intrathecal.

Depending on the payer's guidelines, providers who supply contrast may also separately report the contrast using a 99070 supply code or a HCPCS Level II code. Check individual payers' policies for contrast coverage and reportable supply codes.

## Fee Schedule Information

**Medicare Fees (National):** Conversion Factor \$32.3465, Facility Fee: \$158.82, Non Facility Fee: \$158.82

**RVU (Facility):** Work RVU 1.19, Practice Exp. RVU 3.66, Malpractice RVU 0.06, Total RVU 4.91

**RVU (Non-Facility):** Work RVU 1.19, Practice Exp. RVU 3.66, Malpractice RVU 0.06, Total RVU 4.91

MPFS Payment Policy Indicators: Global Period XXX, Preop 0.00%, Intraop 0.00%, Postop 0.00%, Radiology Diagnostic Test: 99, MPFS Status Indicator: A, PC/TC Indicator: 1, Endoscopic Base Code: None Practitioner MUE: 1

#### **Modifier Allowances**

26, 52, 76, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 99, AQ, AR, AS, CR, ET, FX, FY, GA, GC, GJ, GR, KX, PD, Q5, Q6, QJ, TC

#### NCCI Alerts (version 31.0)

0708T<sup>1</sup>, 0709T<sup>1</sup>, 36000<sup>1</sup>, 36011<sup>1</sup>, 36406<sup>1</sup>, 36410<sup>1</sup>, 36591<sup>0</sup>, 36592<sup>0</sup>, 76000<sup>1</sup>, 77001<sup>1</sup>, 77002<sup>1</sup>, 77003<sup>1</sup>, 96372<sup>1</sup>, 96374<sup>1</sup>, 96375<sup>1</sup>, 96376<sup>1</sup>, 96377<sup>1</sup>, 96523<sup>0</sup>, 99446<sup>0</sup>, 99447<sup>0</sup>, 99448<sup>0</sup>, 99449<sup>0</sup>, 99451<sup>0</sup>, 99452<sup>0</sup>

#### ICD-10-CM Cross References

A17.89, A50.49, C70.0, C70.9, C71.5, C72.9, C79.31, C79.32, C79.40, C79.49, C79.51, C79.52, C7A.1, C7A.8, C7B.09, C7B.8, D33.0-D33.2, D3A.00, D3A.8, D42.0-D42.9, D43.0-D43.2, D43.4, D48.2, D49.6, D49.89, G31.01, G31.09, G31.83, G91.0, G91.1, G91.3, G91.8, G91.9, G95.89, G96.00-G96.09, G96.12, G96.198, G96.810-G96.819, G97.2, G97.48, G97.49, G97.81-G97.84, Q03.8, Q03.9, Q05.0-Q05.3, Q85.01-Q85.03, Q85.09, R93.6, R93.7, Z08, Z09, Z92.21, Z92.22, Z98.2

#### 70030

Radiologic examination, eye, for detection of foreign body

#### **Clinical Responsibility**

The provider takes a plain X-ray of the eye to determine whether the patient has a foreign body in the eye.

#### **Coding Tips**

Be sure that the provider's documentation clearly describes each view taken in a radiology service. Check the documentation for the patient's body position and projection of the X-ray to assign the correct number of views.

## Fee Schedule Information

**Medicare Fees (National):** Conversion Factor \$32.3465, Facility Fee: \$32.02, Non Facility Fee: \$32.02

**RVU (Facility):** Work RVU 0.18, Practice Exp. RVU 0.79, Malpractice RVU 0.02, Total RVU 0.99

**RVU (Non-Facility):** Work RVU 0.18, Practice Exp. RVU 0.79, Malpractice RVU 0.02, Total RVU 0.99

MPFS Payment Policy Indicators: Global Period XXX, Preop 0.00%, Intraop 0.00%, Postop 0.00%, Radiology Diagnostic Test: 99, MPFS Status Indicator: A, PC/TC Indicator: 1, Endoscopic Base Code: None Practitioner MUE: 2

#### **Modifier Allowances**

26, 50, 52, 76, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 99, AQ, AR, AS, CR, ET, FX, FY, GA, GC, GJ, GR, KX, LT, PD, Q5, Q6, QJ, RT, TC

#### NCCI Alerts (version 31.0)

36591°, 36592°, 96523°

#### ICD-10-CM Cross References

H05.50-H05.53, H44.601-H44.609, H44.611-H44.619, H44.631-H44.639, H44.641-H44.649, H44.651-H44.659, H44.711-H44.719, H44.721-H44.729, H44.731-H44.739, H44.741-H44.749, H44.751-H44.759, H57.8A1-H57.8A9, H59.351-H59.359, R09.A9, S02.121D-S02.121G, S02.121K, S02.121S, S02.122D-S02.122G, S02.122K, S02.122S, S02.129D-S02.129G, S02.129K, S02.129S, S02.831D-S02.831G, S02.831K, S02.831S, S02.832D-S02.832G, S02.832K, S02.832S,

S02.839D-S02.839G, S02.839K, S02.839S, S02.841D-S02.841G, S02.841K, S02.841S, S02.842D-S02.842G, S02.842K, S02.842S, S02.849D-S02.849G, S02.849K, S02.849S, S02.85XD-S02.85XG, S02.85XK, S02.85XS, T75.89XD, T75.89XS, T81.513D, T81.513S, T81.533D, T81.533S, T81.69XD, T81.69XS, Z03.823, Z18.09, Z18.10, Z18.11, Z18.2

#### 70100

Radiologic examination, mandible; partial, less than 4 views

#### **Clinical Responsibility**

The provider takes plain X-rays of the lower jaw bone. He obtains one, two, or three views of the mandible from different angles or projections.

#### **Coding Tips**

Be sure that the provider's documentation clearly describes each view taken in a radiology service. Check the documentation for the patient's body position and projection of the X-ray to assign the correct number of views.

If a provider orders and performs a threeview mandible X-ray to diagnose a fracture and then a four-view X-ray to check for proper alignment following closed reduction, the appropriate code for the first service, a three-view mandible X-ray, is 70100, The second service, the four-view mandible X-ray, merits 70110, Radiologic examination, mandible; complete, minimum of four views. However, billing edits bundle 70100 into 70110 and a modifier cannot be used to override the edit. So, if the provider performs the services on the same date, the payer may consider only 70110 reportable and payable.

## Fee Schedule Information

**Medicare Fees (National):** Conversion Factor \$32.3465, Facility Fee: \$37.52, Non Facility Fee: \$37.52

**RVU (Facility):** Work RVU 0.18, Practice Exp. RVU 0.96, Malpractice RVU 0.02, Total RVU

**RVU (Non-Facility):** Work RVU 0.18, Practice Exp. RVU 0.96, Malpractice RVU 0.02, Total RVU 1.16

**MPFS Payment Policy Indicators:** Global Period XXX, Preop 0.00%, Intraop 0.00%, Postop 0.00%, Radiology Diagnostic

## **HCPCS Level II Codes**

### Administrative, Miscellaneous and Investigational

#### A9515

Choline c-11, diagnostic, per study dose up to 20 millicuries

#### **Clinical Responsibility**

The provider administers choline C-11 intravenously, or through a vein. The provider uses the agent primarily to perform imaging for the assessment of a patient's prostate. choline C-11 is a radioactive drug that is used along with PET scanning for diagnostic purposes. It has a physical half-life of 20.4 minutes. Use this code for an intravenous injection of choline C-11 that a provider uses for imaging and evaluating the structure and function of the prostate. This code is for up to 20 millicuries diagnostic study dose of choline C-11 a provider uses.

#### **Coding Tips**

The Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS Level II) codes that begin with an A represent transportation services, medical and surgical supplies, and radiopharmaceuticals. The series of codes A9500 to A9572 signifies the supply of radiopharmaceuticals for both diagnostic and therapeutic purposes in cancer patients.

Medicare reimbursement is based on carrier judgment.

#### **BETOS**

I1E: Standard imaging - nuclear medicine

#### A9587

Gallium ga-68, dotatate, diagnostic, 0.1 millicurie

#### **Clinical Responsibility**

The patient receives gallium Ga-68 dotatate by intravenous injection for diagnostic purposes in adult and pediatric patients. Gallium Ga-68 is a radioactive drug which has a half-life of 68 minutes. It is a radioactive form of gallium. Dotatate, also called DOTA-0-Tyr3-Octreotate, has

a molecular weight of 1435.6 daltons. It is a cyclic 8 amino acid peptide with a covalently bound chelator (dota). The provider uses gallium Ga-68 dotatate to diagnose neuroendocrine tumors.

Neuroendocrine tumors are abnormal masses that originate from cells of the endocrine or nervous system that commonly occur in the intestines but may also be found in the lung and other parts of the body.

The provider administers gallium Ga-68 through an intravenous route. Use this code for 0.1 diagnostic millicurie of gallium Ga 68 dotatate.

#### **Coding Tips**

The Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS Level II) codes that begin with an A represent transportation services, medical and surgical supplies, and radiopharmaceuticals. The series of codes from A9500 to A9572 signifies the supply of radiopharmaceuticals for both diagnostic and therapeutic purposes in cancer patients.

Medicare reimbursement is based on carrier judgment.

#### **BETOS**

I1E: Standard imaging - nuclear medicine

#### A9588

Fluciclovine f-18, diagnostic, 1 millicurie

#### **Clinical Responsibility**

The patient receives fluciclovine F-18 by intravenous bolus injection for diagnostic purposes in men suspected of a recurrence of prostate cancer after prior treatment. Fluciclovine F-18 is a radioactive drug which is a fluorine 18 (F-18) labeled synthetic amino acid analog used with PET scanning. Fluorine 18 is destroyed by positron emission with a physical half-life of 109.7 minutes. The provider uses fluciclovine F-18 to diagnose prostate cancer. The prostate is a small gland that is part of the reproductive

system in males and located just below the urinary bladder; it secretes prostatic fluid, a component of semen. The provider administers fluciclovine F-18 intravenously. Use this code for 1 diagnostic millicurie of fluciclovine f-18.

#### **Coding Tips**

The Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS Level II) codes that begin with an A represent transportation services, medical and surgical supplies, and radiopharmaceuticals. The series of codes from A9500 to A9572 signifies the supply of radiopharmaceuticals for both diagnostic and therapeutic purposes in cancer patients.

Medicare reimbursement is based on carrier judgment.

#### **BETOS**

**I1E:** Standard imaging - nuclear medicine

#### A9590

lodine i-131, iobenguane, 1 millicurie

#### **Clinical Responsibility**

lodine I-131 iobenguane is a diagnostic or therapeutic radiopharmaceutical agent administered as an intravenous infusion. Report this code for each 1 mCi iobenguane supplied.

This drug is approved for diagnosis of primary or metastatic pheochromocytoma or neuroblastoma or treatment of locally advanced or metastatic pheochromocytoma or paraganglioma.

#### **Coding Tips**

This code represents only the drug, not administration of the drug.

This is a generic drug. Brand names for this drug include: Azedra®.

This code represents the supply of the drug. Check coding and individual payer guidelines to determine whether you can also report the administration of the drug.

If the dose administered is only part of a vial and the remainder has to be discarded, you may be able to report modifier JW, Drug amount discarded/not administered to any patient.

#### **BETOS**

I1E: Standard imaging - nuclear medicine

#### A9591

Fluoroestradiol f 18, diagnostic, 1 millicurie

#### **Clinical Responsibility**

The standard dosage of fluoroestradiol F-18 is 222 MBq (6 mCi), with a range of 111 MBq to 222 MBq (3 mCi to 6 mCi), administered as a single intravenous injection of 10 mL or less over one to two minutes.

Fluoroestradiol F-18 is supplied as 148 MBq/mL to 3,700 MBq/mL (4 mCi/mL to 100 mCi/mL) in a multiple-dosage vial.

Breast cancer is a type of cancer that develops from the breast cells and is capable of spreading, commonly affecting women; the major signs include a lump in the breast, change in the shape of the breast, and fluid from the nipples.

Report this code for each 1 mCi of fluoroestradiol F-18 administered.

#### **Coding Tips**

Brand names for this drug include: Cerianna™.

This code represents the supply of the drug. Check coding and individual payer guidelines to determine whether you can also report the administration of the drug.

#### **BETOS**

I1E: Standard imaging - nuclear medicine

Copper cu-64, dotatate, diagnostic, 1 millicurie

#### **Clinical Responsibility**

The standard dosage of copper cu-64, dotatate, is 148 MBq (4 mCi), administered as an intravenous bolus injection.

Copper cu-64, dotatate, is supplied as 148 MBq (4 mCi) (37 MBq (1 mCi) per 1 mL) in a single-dose vial. Dotatate is a form of an

amino acid (a building block of protein) that can be bound with a radionuclide.

Providers may use copper cu-64, dotatate, to localize neuroendocrine tumors during PET imaging. Neuroendocrine tumors are abnormal masses that originate from neuroendocrine cells, which have traits similar to nerve cells and hormone producing cells. These tumors commonly occur in the intestines, but they also may be found in the lungs and other parts of the body.

Report this code for each 1 mCi of copper cu-64, dotatate, administered.

#### **Coding Tips**

Brand names for this drug include: Detectnet™.

This code represents the supply of the drug. Check coding and individual payer guidelines to determine whether you can also report the administration of the drug.

If the dose administered is only part of a vial and the remainder has to be discarded, you may be able to report modifier JW.

#### **BETOS**

I1E: Standard imaging - nuclear medicine

#### A9593

Gallium ga-68 psma-11, diagnostic, (ucsf), 1 millicurie

#### **Clinical Responsibility**

The standard dosage of gallium Ga-68 PSMA-11 is 111 MBq to 259 MBq (3 mCi to 7 mCi) administered as a bolus intravenous injection. It is supplied in a multiple-dose glass vial.

Providers may use this radiopharmaceutical to localize PSMA-positive metastatic disease in patients with prostate cancer. Prostate specific membrane antigen (PSMA) is overexpressed on prostate cancer cells. After injection of gallium Ga-68 PSMA-11, PET imaging can localize where the radiotracer is, allowing localization of metastatic disease and providing information for treatment decisions.

Report this code for each 1 mCi of gallium Ga-68 PSMA-11 administered. This code is specific to the product by the University of California San Francisco (UCSF).

#### **Coding Tips**

This code is specific to the UCSF product. For a similar product by UCLA, see A9594.

This code represents the supply of the agent. Check coding and individual payer guidelines to determine whether you also can report the administration of the drug.

#### **BETOS**

I1E: Standard imaging - nuclear medicine

#### A9594

Gallium ga-68 psma-11, diagnostic, (ucla), 1 millicurie

#### **Clinical Responsibility**

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#### **Coding Tips**

This code is specific to the UCLA product. For a similar product by UCSF, see A9593.

This code represents the supply of the agent. Check coding and individual payer guidelines to determine whether you also can report the administration of the drug.

#### **BETOS**

I1E: Standard imaging - nuclear medicine

#### A9595

Piflufolastat f-18, diagnostic, 1 millicurie

#### **Clinical Responsibility**

The standard dosage of piflufolastat F-18 is 9 mCi (333 MBq) administered as a bolus intravenous injection. The acceptable

## ICD-10-CM Cross Reference Details

A02.0	Salmonella enteritis	A36.84	Diphtheritic tubulo-interstitial nephropathy
A02.21	Salmonella meningitis	A39.50	Meningococcal carditis, unspecified
A04.0	Enteropathogenic Escherichia coli infection	A39.51	Meningococcal endocarditis
A04.1	Enterotoxigenic Escherichia coli infection	A39.52	Meningococcal myocarditis
A04.2	Enteroinvasive Escherichia coli infection	A41.54	Sepsis due to Acinetobacter baumannii
A04.3	Enterohemorrhagic Escherichia coli infection	A41.9	Sepsis, unspecified organism
A04.4	Other intestinal Escherichia coli infections	A48.3	Toxic shock syndrome
A04.5	Campylobacter enteritis	A50.49	Other late congenital neurosyphilis
A04.6	Enteritis due to Yersinia enterocolitica	A51.41	Secondary syphilitic meningitis
A04.71	Enterocolitis due to Clostridium difficile, recurrent	A52.00	Cardiovascular syphilis, unspecified
A04.72	Enterocolitis due to Clostridium difficile, not specified as	A52.01	Syphilitic aneurysm of aorta
404.0	recurrent Other and sife of head original intentional infections	A52.02	Syphilitic aortitis
A04.8	Other specified bacterial intestinal infections  Bacterial intestinal infection, unspecified	A52.03	Syphilitic endocarditis
A04.9 A05.0	Foodborne staphylococcal intoxication	A52.05 A52.06	Other cerebrovascular syphilis Other syphilitic heart involvement
A05.0	Botulism food poisoning	A52.09	Other cardiovascular syphilis
A05.2	Foodborne Clostridium perfringens [Clostridium welchii]	A52.11	Tabes dorsalis
110012	intoxication	A52.12	Other cerebrospinal syphilis
A05.3	Foodborne Vibrio parahaemolyticus intoxication	A52.13	Late syphilitic meningitis
A05.4	Foodborne Bacillus cereus intoxication	A52.14	Late syphilitic encephalitis
A05.5	Foodborne Vibrio vulnificus intoxication	A52.15	Late syphilitic neuropathy
A05.8	Other specified bacterial foodborne intoxications	A52.17	General paresis
A05.9	Bacterial foodborne intoxication, unspecified	A52.19	Other symptomatic neurosyphilis
A06.0	Acute amebic dysentery	A52.2	Asymptomatic neurosyphilis
A06.4	Amebic liver abscess	A52.3	Neurosyphilis, unspecified
A07.1	Giardiasis [lambliasis]	A52.75	Syphilis of kidney and ureter
A08.0	Rotaviral enteritis	A54.00	Gonococcal infection of lower genitourinary tract, unspecified
A08.11	Acute gastroenteropathy due to Norwalk agent	A54.01	Gonococcal cystitis and urethritis, unspecified
A08.19	Acute gastroenteropathy due to other small round viruses  Adenoviral enteritis	A54.1	Gonococcal infection of lower genitourinary tract with
A08.2 A08.31	Calicivirus enteritis	A54.21	periurethral and accessory gland abscess
A08.32	Astrovirus enteritis	A54.21	Gonococcal infection of kidney and ureter Gonococcal prostatitis
A08.32	Other viral enteritis	A54.29	Other gonococcal genitourinary infections
A08.4	Viral intestinal infection, unspecified	A54.41	Gonococcal spondylopathy
A08.8	Other specified intestinal infections	A54.81	Gonococcal meningitis
A09	Infectious gastroenteritis and colitis, unspecified	A54.83	Gonococcal heart infection
A15.0	Tuberculosis of lung	A56.01	Chlamydial cystitis and urethritis
A15.4	Tuberculosis of intrathoracic lymph nodes	A56.11	Chlamydial female pelvic inflammatory disease
A15.7	Primary respiratory tuberculosis	A59.02	Trichomonal prostatitis
A15.8	Other respiratory tuberculosis	A59.03	Trichomonal cystitis and urethritis
A17.0	Tuberculous meningitis	A78	Q fever
A17.1	Meningeal tuberculoma	A79.82	Anaplasmosis [A. phagocytophilum]
A17.81	Tuberculoma of brain and spinal cord	A80.0	Acute paralytic poliomyelitis, vaccine-associated
A17.82	Tuberculous meningoencephalitis	A80.1	Acute paralytic poliomyelitis, wild virus, imported
A17.83 A17.89	Tuberculous neuritis Other tuberculosis of nervous system	A80.2 A80.39	Acute paralytic poliomyelitis, wild virus, indigenous Other acute paralytic poliomyelitis
A17.89 A17.9	Tuberculosis of nervous system, unspecified	A80.4	Acute nonparalytic poliomyelitis
A18.01	Tuberculosis of spine	B00.50	Herpesviral ocular disease, unspecified
A18.02	Tuberculous arthritis of other joints	B00.53	Herpesviral conjunctivitis
A18.03	Tuberculosis of other bones	B00.59	Other herpesviral disease of eye
A18.11	Tuberculosis of kidney and ureter	B00.82	Herpes simplex myelitis
A18.14	Tuberculosis of prostate	B01.12	Varicella myelitis
A18.18	Tuberculosis of other female genital organs	B02.1	Zoster meningitis
A18.50	Tuberculosis of eye, unspecified	B02.21	Postherpetic geniculate ganglionitis
A18.51	Tuberculous episcleritis	B02.22	Postherpetic trigeminal neuralgia
A18.52	Tuberculous keratitis	B02.23	Postherpetic polyneuropathy
A18.53 A18.54	Tuberculous chorioretinitis Tuberculous iridocyclitis	B02.24 B02.29	Postherpetic myelitis Other postherpetic nervous system involvement
A18.54 A18.59	Other tuberculosis of eye	B02.29 B02.30	Zoster ocular disease, unspecified
A18.6	Tuberculosis of (inner) (middle) ear	B02.30 B02.31	Zoster ocular disease, unspecified Zoster conjunctivitis
A18.84	Tuberculosis of (inner) (initially ear	B02.31	Zoster conjunctivitis Zoster scleritis
A21.1	Oculoglandular tularemia	B02.39	Other herpes zoster eye disease
A27.81	Aseptic meningitis in leptospirosis	B02.7	Disseminated zoster
A31.0	Pulmonary mycobacterial infection	B02.8	Zoster with other complications
A32.81	Oculoglandular listeriosis	B02.9	Zoster without complications
A36.0	Pharyngeal diphtheria	B05.3	Measles complicated by otitis media
A36.1	Nasopharyngeal diphtheria	B15.0	Hepatitis A with hepatic coma
A36.2	Laryngeal diphtheria	B15.9	Hepatitis A without hepatic coma

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B16.0 B16.1	Acute hepatitis B with delta-agent with hepatic coma Acute hepatitis B with delta-agent without hepatic coma	C02.9 C03.0	Malignant neoplasm of tongue, unspecified Malignant neoplasm of upper gum
B16.1	Acute hepatitis B with delta-agent without hepatic coma  Acute hepatitis B without delta-agent with hepatic coma	C03.0	Malignant neoplasm of lower gum
B16.2	Acute hepatitis B without delta-agent with hepatic coma  Acute hepatitis B without delta-agent and without hepatic	C03.1	Malignant neoplasm of gum, unspecified
D10.5	coma	C04.0	Malignant neoplasm of anterior floor of mouth
B17.0	Acute delta-(super) infection of hepatitis B carrier	C04.1	Malignant neoplasm of lateral floor of mouth
B17.10	Acute hepatitis C without hepatic coma	C04.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of floor of mouth
B17.11	Acute hepatitis C with hepatic coma	C04.9	Malignant neoplasm of floor of mouth, unspecified
B17.2	Acute hepatitis E	C05.0	Malignant neoplasm of hard palate
B17.8	Other specified acute viral hepatitis	C05.1	Malignant neoplasm of soft palate
B17.9	Acute viral hepatitis, unspecified	C05.2	Malignant neoplasm of uvula
B18.0	Chronic viral hepatitis B with delta-agent	C05.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of palate
B18.1	Chronic viral hepatitis B without delta-agent	C05.9	Malignant neoplasm of palate, unspecified
B18.2	Chronic viral hepatitis C	C06.0	Malignant neoplasm of cheek mucosa
B18.8	Other chronic viral hepatitis	C06.1	Malignant neoplasm of vestibule of mouth
B18.9	Chronic viral hepatitis, unspecified	C06.2	Malignant neoplasm of retromolar area
B19.0	Unspecified viral hepatitis with hepatic coma	C06.80	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of unspecified parts
B19.10	Unspecified viral hepatitis B without hepatic coma		of mouth
B19.11	Unspecified viral hepatitis B with hepatic coma	C06.89	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of other parts of
B19.20	Unspecified viral hepatitis C without hepatic coma		mouth
B19.21	Unspecified viral hepatitis C with hepatic coma	C06.9	Malignant neoplasm of mouth, unspecified
B19.9	Unspecified viral hepatitis without hepatic coma	C07	Malignant neoplasm of parotid gland
B20	Human immunodeficiency virus [HIV] disease	C08.0	Malignant neoplasm of submandibular gland
B25.1	Cytomegaloviral pangroatitis	C08.1	Malignant neoplasm of sublingual gland
B25.2 B33.20	Cytomegaloviral pancreatitis Viral carditis, unspecified	C08.9 C09.0	Malignant neoplasm of major salivary gland, unspecified Malignant neoplasm of tonsillar fossa
B33.21	Viral endocarditis	C09.0	Malignant neoplasm of tonsillar pillar (anterior) (posterior)
B33.22	Viral myocarditis	C09.1	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of tonsil
B37.41	Candidal cystitis and urethritis	C09.9	Malignant neoplasm of tonsil, unspecified
B37.5	Candidal meningitis	C10.0	Malignant neoplasm of vallecula
B37.6	Candidal endocarditis	C10.1	Malignant neoplasm of anterior surface of epiglottis
B37.81	Candidal esophagitis	C10.2	Malignant neoplasm of lateral wall of oropharynx
B38.4	Coccidioidomycosis meningitis	C10.3	Malignant neoplasm of posterior wall of oropharynx
B38.81	Prostatic coccidioidomycosis	C10.4	Malignant neoplasm of branchial cleft
B39.4	Histoplasmosis capsulati, unspecified	C10.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of oropharynx
B39.5	Histoplasmosis duboisii	C10.9	Malignant neoplasm of oropharynx, unspecified
B39.9	Histoplasmosis, unspecified	C11.0	Malignant neoplasm of superior wall of nasopharynx
B44.81	Allergic bronchopulmonary aspergillosis	C11.1	Malignant neoplasm of posterior wall of nasopharynx
B45.1	Cerebral cryptococcosis	C11.2	Malignant neoplasm of lateral wall of nasopharynx
B52.0	Plasmodium malariae malaria with nephropathy	C11.3	Malignant neoplasm of anterior wall of nasopharynx
B57.0	Acute Chagas' disease with heart involvement	C11.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of nasopharynx
B57.2	Chagas' disease (chronic) with heart involvement	C11.9	Malignant neoplasm of nasopharynx, unspecified
B58.01	Toxoplasma chorioretinitis	C12	Malignant neoplasm of pyriform sinus
B58.2	Toxoplasma meningoencephalitis	C13.0	Malignant neoplasm of postcricoid region
B58.81	Toxoplasma myocarditis	C13.1	Malignant neoplasm of aryepiglottic fold, hypopharyngeal
B67.0	Echinococcus granulosus infection of liver Echinococcus multilocularis infection of liver	C12.2	Assistance to a conference of a context of a conference of the context of the con
B67.5 B67.8		C13.2	Malignant neoplasm of posterior wall of hypopharynx Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of hypopharynx
B76.9	Echinococcosis, unspecified, of liver Hookworm disease, unspecified	C13.8 C13.9	Malignant neoplasm of hypopharynx, unspecified
B83.2	Angiostrongyliasis due to Parastrongylus cantonensis	C13.9	Malignant neoplasm of pharynx, unspecified
B91	Sequelae of poliomyelitis	C14.2	Malignant neoplasm of Waldeyer's ring
B96.83	Acinetobacter baumannii as the cause of diseases classified	C14.2	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of lip, oral cavity and
_ ,	elsewhere		pharynx
B97.35	Human immunodeficiency virus, type 2 [HIV 2] as the cause of	C15.3	Malignant neoplasm of upper third of esophagus
	diseases classified elsewhere	C15.4	Malignant neoplasm of middle third of esophagus
C00.0	Malignant neoplasm of external upper lip	C15.5	Malignant neoplasm of lower third of esophagus
C00.1	Malignant neoplasm of external lower lip	C15.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of esophagus
C00.2	Malignant neoplasm of external lip, unspecified	C15.9	Malignant neoplasm of esophagus, unspecified
C00.3	Malignant neoplasm of upper lip, inner aspect	C16.0	Malignant neoplasm of cardia
C00.4	Malignant neoplasm of lower lip, inner aspect	C16.1	Malignant neoplasm of fundus of stomach
C00.5	Malignant neoplasm of lip, unspecified, inner aspect	C16.2	Malignant neoplasm of body of stomach
C00.6	Malignant neoplasm of commissure of lip, unspecified	C16.3	Malignant neoplasm of pyloric antrum
C00.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of lip	C16.4	Malignant neoplasm of pylorus
C00.9	Malignant neoplasm of lip, unspecified	C16.5	Malignant neoplasm of lesser curvature of stomach,
C01	Malignant neoplasm of base of tongue		unspecified
C02.0	Malignant neoplasm of dorsal surface of tongue	C16.6	Malignant neoplasm of greater curvature of stomach,
C02.1	Malignant neoplasm of border of tongue	C16.0	unspecified
C02.2	Malignant neoplasm of ventral surface of tongue	C16.8	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of stomach
C02.3	Malignant neoplasm of anterior two-thirds of tongue, part unspecified	C16.9 C17.0	Malignant neoplasm of stomach, unspecified Malignant neoplasm of duodenum
C02.4	Malignant neoplasm of lingual tonsil	C17.0 C17.1	Malignant neoplasm of duodenum Malignant neoplasm of jejunum
C02.4	Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of tongue	C17.1	Malignant neoplasm of ileum
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## **Modifier Descriptors**

Modifier	Description
	CPT® Modifiers
22	Increased Procedural Services
23	Unusual Anesthesia
24	Unrelated Evaluation and Management Service by the Same Physician or Other Qualified Health Care Professional During a Postoperative Period
25	Significant, Separately Identifiable Evaluation and Management Service by the Same Physician or Other Qualified Health Care Professional on the Same Day of the Procedure or Other Service
26	Professional Component
27	Multiple Outpatient Hospital E/M Encounters on the Same Date
32	Mandated Services
33	Preventive Services
47	Anesthesia by Surgeon
50	Bilateral Procedure
51	Multiple Procedures
52	Reduced Services
53	Discontinued Procedure
54	Surgical Care Only
55	Postoperative Management Only
56	Preoperative Management Only
57	Decision for Surgery
58	Staged or Related Procedure or Service by the Same Physician or Other Qualified Health Care Professional During the Postoperative Period
59	Distinct Procedural Service
62	Two Surgeons
63	Procedure Performed on Infants less than 4 kg
66	Surgical Team
73	Discontinued Out-Patient Hospital/Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) Procedure Prior to the Administration of Anesthesia
74	Discontinued Out-Patient Hospital/Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) Procedure After Administration of Anesthesia
76	Repeat Procedure or Service by Same Physician or Other Qualified Health Care Professional
77	Repeat Procedure by Another Physician or Other Qualified Health Care Professional

Modifier	Description
78	Unplanned Return to the Operating/Procedure
	Room by the Same Physician or Other Qualified
	Health Care Professional Following Initial Procedure for a Related Procedure During the Postoperative
	Period Period
79	Unrelated Procedure or Service by the Same
	Physician or Other Qualified Health Care Professional During the Postoperative Period
80	Assistant Surgeon
81	Minimum Assistant Surgeon
82	Assistant Surgeon (when qualified resident surgeon not available)
90	Reference (Outside) Laboratory
91	Repeat Clinical Diagnostic Laboratory Test
92	Alternative Laboratory Platform Testing
93	Synchronous Telemedicine Service Rendered Via Telephone or Other Real-Time Interactive Audio- Only Telecommunications System
95	Synchronous Telemedicine Service Rendered Via a Real-Time Interactive Audio and Video Telecommunications System
96	Habilitative Services
97	Rehabilitative Services
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99	Multiple Modifiers  CPT® Category II Modifiers
1P	Performance Measure Exclusion Modifier due to
	Medical Reasons
2P	Performance Measure Exclusion Modifier due to Patient Reasons
3P	Performance Measure Exclusion Modifier due to System Reasons
8P	Performance Measure Reporting Modifier - Action Not Performed, Reason Not Otherwise Specified
	HCPCS Level II Modifiers
A1	Dressing for one wound
A2	Dressing for two wounds
А3	Dressing for three wounds
A4	Dressing for four wounds
A5	Dressing for five wounds
A6	Dressing for six wounds
A7	Dressing for seven wounds
A8	Dressing for eight wounds
A9	Dressing for nine or more wounds
AA	Anesthesia services performed personally by anesthesiologist

Modifier	Description
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АВ	Audiology service furnished personally by an audiologist without a physician/npp order for non-acute hearing assessment unrelated to disequilibrium, or hearing aids, or examinations for the purpose of prescribing, fitting, or changing hearing aids; service may be performed once every 12 months, per beneficiary
AD	Medical supervision by a physician: more than four concurrent anesthesia procedures
AE	Registered dietician
AF	Specialty physician
AG	Primary physician
AH	Clinical psychologist
Al	Principal physician of record
AJ	Clinical social worker
AK	Non participating physician
AM	Physician, team member service
AO	Alternate payment method declined by provider of service
AP	Determination of refractive state was not performed in the course of diagnostic ophthalmological examination
AQ	Physician providing a service in an unlisted health professional shortage area (HPSA)
AR	Physician provider services in a physician scarcity area
AS	Physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist services for assistant at surgery
AT	Acute treatment (this modifier should be used when reporting service 98940, 98941, 98942)
AU	Item furnished in conjunction with a urological, ostomy, or tracheostomy supply
AV	Item furnished in conjunction with a prosthetic device, prosthetic or orthotic
AW	Item furnished in conjunction with a surgical dressing
AX	Item furnished in conjunction with dialysis services
AY	Item or service furnished to an ESRD patient that is not for the treatment of ESRD
AZ	Physician providing a service in a dental health professional shortage area for the purpose of an electronic health record incentive payment
ВА	Item furnished in conjunction with parenteral enteral nutrition (PEN) services
BL	Special acquisition of blood and blood products
ВО	Orally administered nutrition, not by feeding tube
ВР	The beneficiary has been informed of the purchase and rental options and has elected to purchase the item
BR	The beneficiary has been informed of the purchase and rental options and has elected to rent the item

Modifier	Description
BU	The beneficiary has been informed of the purchase and rental options and after 30 days has not informed the supplier of his/her decision
CA	Procedure payable only in the inpatient setting when performed emergently on an outpatient who expires prior to admission
СВ	Service ordered by a renal dialysis facility (RDF) physician as part of the ESRD beneficiary's dialysis benefit, is not part of the composite rate, and is separately reimbursable
СС	Procedure code change (use 'CC' when the procedure code submitted was changed either for administrative reasons or because an incorrect code was filed)
CD	AMCC test has been ordered by an ESRD facility or MCP physician that is part of the composite rate and is not separately billable
CE	AMCC test has been ordered by an ESRD facility or MCP physician that is a composite rate test but is beyond the normal frequency covered under the rate and is separately reimbursable based on medical necessity
CF	AMCC test has been ordered by an ESRD facility or MCP physician that is not part of the composite rate and is separately billable
CG	Policy criteria applied
СН	0 percent impaired, limited or restricted
CI	At least 1 percent but less than 20 percent impaired, limited or restricted
CI	At least 20 percent but less than 40 percent impaired, limited or restricted
CK	At least 40 percent but less than 60 percent impaired, limited or restricted
CL	At least 60 percent but less than 80 percent impaired, limited or restricted
CM	At least 80 percent but less than 100 percent impaired, limited or restricted
CN	100 percent impaired, limited or restricted
со	Outpatient occupational therapy services furnished in whole or in part by an occupational therapy assistant
CQ	Outpatient physical therapy services furnished in whole or in part by a physical therapist assistant
CR	Catastrophe/disaster related
CS	Cost-sharing waived for specified COVID-19 testing-related services that result in and order for or administration of a COVID-19 test and/or used for cost-sharing waived preventive services furnished via telehealth in rural health clinics and federally qualified health centers during the COVID-19 public health emergency

## Terminology

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ma	leakness in the wall of a blood vessel or wall of a ventricle of the heart, typically the left ventricle, busing the wall to balloon out; sometimes requiring surgical excision or repair to prevent rupture.
	general term for radiographic images of arteries or veins following the administration of a contrast aterial; more specific terms include aortogram, arteriogram, and venogram.
Angiography Ima	naging of internal organs including blood vessels, arteries, veins, and heart chambers.
Angioplasty A s	surgical procedure to widen a narrowed or blocked artery.
	catheter with a camera mounted on its one end that a provider uses to examine the interior of a ood vessel.
· · · · · · · ·	ot normal structurally or functionally, out of place; typically describes a congenital deformity, one resent at birth.
<b>Anterior</b> Clo	oser to the front part of the body or a structure.
Anteroposterior, or AP, view The	ne X-ray beam travels from front to back abbreviated as AP.
<b>Antibiotic</b> Sul	ubstance that inhibits infection.
<b>Antibody</b> An	n immune system related protein that can detect a harmful substance called an antigen.
<b>Anticoagulant</b> A c	drug that prevents the clotting of the blood.
<b>Antigen</b> A h	harmful substance that can stimulate the production of antibodies or combine with them.
<b>Antispasmodic</b> Sul	ubstance that reduces or eliminates muscle spasms.
blo	ne main artery that comes out of the top of the left ventricle of the heart and carries oxygenated ood to the body; it consists of an ascending and descending aorta which serve the upper and lower arts of the body respectively.
-	udy of the aorta by taking X-ray images after injecting contrast material.
,	ont to back.
-	ctremity bones, including the clavicles, scapulae, and hips.
	ne middle of the three meninges, or membranes, that protect the spinal cord and brain.
Arc therapy A f	form of radiation therapy that uses equipment that produces single or multiple radiation beams that veep, or arc, up to 360 degrees around the patient so a concentrated beam can target all sides of the

Terminology	Explanation
Arch of aorta	The second section of the aorta following the ascending aorta.
Arterial access	Situated or occurring within an artery.
Arteries	Vessels that carry oxygen rich blood away from the heart to the rest of the body.
Arteriogram	A medical imaging in which the provider injects a dye into the arteries to visualize the inside of these blood vessels using X-ray also known as an angiography.
Arteriography	X-ray of an artery, after injecting a special chemical dye through the target vessel, using a catheter.  Arteriography can be used to distinguish blood clots from obstructions in the veins and to evaluate congenital vein problems.
Arteriosclerosis	A condition in which the walls of the arteries lose their elasticity and become stiff and hard; closely related and sometimes used interchangeably with atherosclerosis, buildup of plaque, or fatty deposits, on the walls of an artery; hardening and thickening the artery walls, which can lead to coronary artery disease.
Arteriovenous anastomosis	An abnormal connection between an artery and a vein made either surgically, as a result of trauma or a medical condition, or congenital; also be referred to as an arteriovenous fistula or graft.
Arteriovenous fistula	Abnormal connection between artery and vein.
Arteriovenous malformation	A mass of interwoven arteries and veins that interferes with blood flow; often congenital, or present at birth.
Artery	A blood vessel that carries oxygenated blood from the heart to different parts of the body.
Arthralgia	Pain in a joint.
Arthritis	An inflammatory condition affecting one or more of the body's joints, resulting in pain, swelling, and limitation of movement.
Arthrography	A radiographic contrast joint study; the provider injects contrast into the joint and then takes X-rays in multiple projections; the contrast allows the provider to see more details than a conventional X-ray.
Articular disk	A fibrocartilaginous ligament cushion between the bones of a joint.
Ascites	Excessive accumulation of fluid in the abdominal cavity.
Aspiration	Withdrawal of material, often with a needle; can also refer to breathing in fluid or food material.
Atherectomy	A surgical procedure to remove plaque from a blood vessel.
Atherosclerosis	Chronic disease characterized by abnormal thickening of the walls of the arteries due to fatty deposits.
Atherosclerotic burden	The sum or extent of atherosclerotic disease.
Atrium	One of the two upper chambers of the heart; the left atrium delivers oxygenated blood from the pulmonary veins to the left ventricle of the heart, the right receives blood from the major veins and delivers it to the right ventricle.
Attenuation	Sending of signals from one point to another.
Axial length	Distance between the front third of the eye and the back two thirds of the eyeball.
Axial skeleton	Head and trunk bones.
Axilla	The armpit.
B mode or B scan ultrasound	Imaging technique using high frequency sound waves to provide a cross sectional, two dimensional view in gray scale imaging; also known as bright scan.
Balloon angioplasty	A procedure in which the provider opens the narrowed artery by using a balloon to open the blockage.
Balloon catheter	A flexible tube with a balloon at the tip that can be inflated and deflated with a mechanism at the other end.
Balloon dilator	A catheter with an inflatable balloon that relieves a stricture or narrowing of a lumen or tube, such as the esophagus, by inflating the balloon to increase the diameter of the lumen and dilate the stricture.
Barium sulfate	A radiopaque contrast media; when swallowed, the barium sulfate coats the esophagus, stomach, and intestine, revealing diseased and damaged areas on X-ray or CT images.
Basal cistern	A wide space between the temporal lobes covered by the arachnoid membrane; it contains the circle of Willis, an area at the base of the brain where the carotid arteries branch off and supply blood to most of the brain; also called the interpeduncular cistern or cisterna interpeduncularis.
Basilic vein	Superficial vein of arm that carries impure blood from the hand and forearm.
Benign	Not malignant, generally treatable or not needing treatment.
Bilateral	On both sides of the body.
Bile duct	Tract of tubes that carry the bile from the liver to the intestines; also called biliary ducts.
Bile or biliary ducts	Channels, or tubes, that carry bile from the liver to the gallbladder for storage and ultimately draining into the duodenum, the first part of the small intestine; the bile ducts, also known as the biliary tree, include the common bile duct, cystic duct, and hepatic ducts.

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