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Medicare Program; Changes to the Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System and Calendar Year 2003 Payment Rates; and Changes to Payment Suspension for Unfiled Cost Reports

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), HHS.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This proposed rule would revise the Medicare hospital outpatient prospective payment system to implement applicable statutory requirements and changes arising from our continuing experience with this system. In addition, it would describe proposed changes to the amounts and factors used to determine the payment rates for Medicare hospital outpatient services paid under the prospective payment system. These changes would be applicable to services furnished on or after January 1, 2003. In addition, this rule proposes to allow the Secretary to suspend Medicare payments ''in whole or in part'' if a provider fails to file a timely and acceptable cost report.

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Alphabetical List of Acronyms Appearing in the Proposed Rule

ACEP American College of Emergency Physicians
AMA American Medical Association
APC Ambulatory payment classification
AWP Average wholesale price
BBA Balanced Budget Act of 1997
BIPA Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Benefits Improvement and Protection Act of 2000
BBRA Balanced Budget Refinement Act of 1999
CCR Cost center specific cost-to-charge ratio
CMHC Community mental health center
CMS Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (Formerly known as the Health Care Financing Administration)
CPT (Physician's) Current Procedural Terminology, Fourth Edition, 2002, copyrighted by the American Medical Association
CSW Clinical social worker
CY Calendar year
DRG Diagnosis-related group
DSH Disproportionate Share Hospital
EACH Essential Access Community Hospital
E/M Evaluation and management
ERCP Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography
ESRD End-stage renal disease
FACA Federal Advisory Committee Act
FY Federal fiscal year
HCPCS Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System
HIPAA Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996
ICU Intensive care unit
ICD–9–CM International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Edition, Clinical Modification
IME Indirect Medical Education
IPPS (Hospital) inpatient prospective payment system
LTC Long Term Care
MedPAC Medicare Payment Advisory Commission
MDH Medicare Dependent Hospital
MSA Metropolitan statistical area
NECMA New England County Metropolitan Area
OCE Outpatient code editor
OMB Office of Management and Budget
OPD (Hospital) outpatient department
OPPS (Hospital) outpatient prospective payment system
OT Occupational therapist
PHP Partial hospitalization program
PPS Prospective payment system
PPV Pneumococcal pneumonia (virus)
PRA Paperwork Reduction Act
RFA Regulatory Flexibility Act
RRC Rural Referral Center
RVUs Relative value units
SCH Sole Community Hospital
TEFRA Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act
USPDI United States Pharmacopoeia Drug Information

Comparison of Proposed 2003 Payment Rates to 2002 Payment Rates

The outpatient pass-through provisions of the BBRA and BIPA have been exceptionally difficult to implement, arguably the most complex and difficult in the history of the Medicare program. In CY 2002, the pass-through payments, and the APC rates were calculated on the best information available. This was often manufacturer list prices, which may not reflect not actual prices paid by hospitals. For CY 2003, far more data is available on the actual charges for hospital OPDs, and these are reflected in the rates in this proposed rule. In many cases these new rates are significantly different from CY 2003 rates, but they are based on actual hospital charges, and on far more complete data than were the CY 2002 rates. Nevertheless, CMS is actively seeking comment on all aspects of these rates, given the significant changes in the proposed rule, and the agency is open to making changes, perhaps significant, in the final rule based on comments.

The 2003 payment rates proposed in this proposed rule are, for many items and services, significantly higher or lower than the payment rates for the same items and services for 2002, particularly for APCs which use medical devices, and for APCs for drugs that will no longer be eligible for pass-through status in 2003 and paid under separate APCs. Some proposed payments for 2003 are far lower than the 2002 payment amounts (and some are higher).

For example, as can be seen in Addenda A, the proposed rate for APC 0108 (Insertion/Replacement/Repair of Cardioverter-Defibrilator Leads) shows a dramatic decrease in payment compared to the 2002 rate. This reduction for a number of APCs is of concern to us because of the potential impact on access to care. We invite public comment and suggestions on how to address the potential for adverse impact of these proposed changes.

The proposed 2003 payment rates reflect the use of updated data, as required by the statute, in calculating payment rates in accordance with the methodologies set forth in the statute and regulations. The proposed payment rates reflect mathematical calculations based on the latest available program data.

Our goal in this proposed rule is to explain the methodology and to solicit comments on our rate-setting methods and the effect on beneficiary access, provider participation and the fiscal integrity of the Medicare Trust Fund.

Devices

We believe that there are several factors that may explain the differences between the proposed payment amounts for 2003 and the payment amounts for 2002 (some, but not all of which, are significant).

First, we believe that the payment rates for the device related procedures for 2002 may in some cases have been higher than they would have been had actual hospital acquisition cost data been available for us to use. Specifically, because we lacked hospitals' cost data for devices, we used the best data available to us at the time which was manufacturer data regarding the hospitals' acquisition costs in providing the devices. We assumed that a device would be provided with a related procedure and packaged 75 percent of these manufacturer estimated

costs for the devices into the APCs for the procedures.

The costs that we packaged in for some devices may have been higher than actual hospital acquisition costs. The differences between the 2002 payment rate and the lower 2003 proposed payments are based on our data sources. While the 2003 rates are based on 2001 hospital claims and the latest available cost report data, the 2002 rates are based on manufacturer data for devices. We use charges on the hospital claims data to estimate hospital costs. We apply hospital-specific, department-specific cost-to-charge ratios (CCRs) from each provider's most recently submitted cost report to the charges to develop the estimate of costs. In most cases, the provider's most recently submitted cost report is from fiscal year 1999. An adjustment factor is applied in developing CCRs for cost reports that have not yet been settled, so that the CCRs will more closely reflect CCRs from a settled cost report.

Second, there may be problems in the data, particularly for coding of devices in 2001. As discussed later in this preamble, devices were to be coded using device specific C codes from the start of the OPPS on August 1, 2000 until the law changes required that we establish category codes by April 1, 2001. We then granted a grace period until July 1, 2001, during which we accepted both device specific codes and category codes. During a Town Hall meeting with the public on April 5, 2001, and in other contacts with hospitals (such as the open forum calls and visits to hospitals) we have been told that hospitals had difficulty in submitting proper HCPCS coding for services and for devices once OPPS began and that, in many cases, they did not bill for devices for which they should have claimed payment.

In some cases, hospitals were confused by the change from device specific codes to category codes; in other cases, the use of HCPCS codes was new and they had a long learning curve to learn how to use HCPCS codes. Our initial data analysis suggested that hospitals may not have billed for the devices using the device or category codes in all cases. If the charges were not on the claim, they would not have been picked up for calculation of the median cost for the service and the associated device, possibly resulting in a proposed payment rate for the APC that is inappropriately low and other rates that are inappropriately too high. However, based on our analysis which is described later, we believe that hospitals often showed the charges for the devices in the applicable revenue centers (such as, supplies) and that the charges for the devices often were on the claim, even if the HCPCS code was not.

We welcome public comments regarding these issues for these payment changes and proposals regarding how problems with claims data could be rectified for development of the final rule.

Drugs

As discussed later in this preamble, we propose to package the costs for lower cost drugs into the payment for the APC in which they are used and to pay specialty drugs and high cost drugs under separate APCs. Some of the APCs for separately paid drugs also show significant reductions in payments compared to the pass-through payments made in 2002. Several factors may help place these decreases in perspective.

These changes result largely because the payment method for items in transitional pass-through payment status differs significantly from other services paid under the OPPS, and as items lose transitional pass-through payment status they are subject to a different payment method. In particular, a drug in transitional pass-through payment status is paid based on 95 percent of the average wholesale price for the drug, possibly subject to a uniform reduction.[1]

In contrast, a drug not in transitional pass-through status is paid as are other services under the OPPS. The statute provides that services (other than transitional pass-through items) be paid on the basis of a service-specific relative weight multiplied by a conversion factor. The relative weight is determined based on the median hospital cost, where the cost on each claim is derived by multiplying the submitting hospital's charge by a cost-to-charge ratio (determined from the hospital's latest submitted cost report, usually from fiscal year 1999). We anticipate that a hospital's charges on particular services reflect, at least in relative terms, the hospital's resource use in providing that service.

Per the statute, the conversion factor was set at the initiation of the system to achieve budget neutrality relative to the prior system; it is updated each year by the rate of increase in the hospital market basket. This mechanism does reflect changes in input costs from the initial base, but the system is not rebased to reflect the absolute level of such costs.

This payment method was not intended to assure that hospitals, even on average, are reimbursed costs of particular services. In fact, because the conversion factor was calibrated to reflect prior reductions in hospital operating and capital costs that were built into the baseline for overall program expenditures, the OPPS is not set to pay full costs to hospitals.[2]

Further, nothing in the payment method prescribed by the statute requires or anticipates that hospitals would be reimbursed full costs of purchased inputs such as drugs, just as it does not anticipate that hospitals would be reimbursed for the full cost of any other services they deliver.

The payment methods are set out in section 1833(t) of the Act. This section does not permit continuation of a pass-through payment (at 95 percent of AWP or some other level) for drugs losing their transitional pass-through status. This section permits the Secretary to specify APC groupings, and we are proposing in 2003 to continue to pay separately for certain drugs that had transitional pass-through status in 2002 and that are no longer eligible for pass-through status in 2003. These drugs would be in separate APCs, rather than being packaged into other, procedure-related APCs; the payment method would be the same relative-weight payment method used for other APCs.

The resulting payment rates incorporate the best evidence we have regarding what hospitals charged in 2001. They may diverge, however, from payment rates based on the AWP, including those in use for 2002. As is discussed above, movement from pass-through payment rates to relative-weight based payment rates would be expected to lead to decreases in payments, even if AWP represented a reliable measure of hospital acquisition costs (As discussed above, we use hospital charges and hospital-specific, department-specific cost-to-charge ratios to estimate hospital costs. In most cases, cost-to-charge ratios are derived from 1999 cost reports).

However, we believe this outcome is also be due to deficiencies in AWP as a measure of hospital acquisition costs. AWP is not an accurate estimate of what

[1] In 2002, we apply a uniform reduction to the transitional pass-through portion of payments for drugs with transitional pass-through status. As a result, the OPPS now pays hospitals about 72 percent of AWP for drugs in this status. The uniform reduction, as discussed in the March 1, 2002 final rule, is to comply with section 1833(t)(6)(E) of the Act, which limits the total projected amount of transitional pass-through payments for 2002 to 2.5 percent of projected total payments under the OPPS in 2002.

[2] In fact, because of the effect of prior statutory reductions in payments, the OPPS system was calibrated at its initiation to pay only about 82 percent of hospital costs in the aggregate.

providers actually pay for drugs. Studies undertaken over the past decade by the Office of the Inspector General, the Department of Justice, and the General Accounting Office that compare AWP with actual drug acquisition costs have consistently shown that published AWPs considerably exceed these costs (See ''MEDICARE Payments for Covered Outpatient Drugs Exceed Providers' Costs'', GAO–01–1118). Therefore, it is to be expected that the proposed 2003 APC payment rates based on median hospital costs for these drugs will be lower than the 2002 payment rates for the same drugs that are based on AWP. The Administration has repeatedly stated its view that AWP inaccurately represents actual market pricing. The pass-through system pays based on AWP, creating further incentives for artificially high AWP listings. We believe the steep reductions in some drug prices reflect these incentives, and that the new rates more accurately reflect the actual acquisition costs for hospitals pay. Still, we are interested in soliciting comments on these costs, and the mechanisms to identify them.

I. Background

A. Authority for the Outpatient Prospective Payment System

When the Medicare statute was originally enacted, Medicare payment for hospital outpatient services was based on hospital-specific costs. In an effort to ensure that Medicare and its beneficiaries pay appropriately for services and to encourage more efficient delivery of care, the Congress mandated replacement of the cost-based payment methodology with a prospective payment system (PPS). The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 (BBA) (Pub. L. 105–33), enacted on August 5, 1997, added section 1833(t) to the Social Security Act (the Act) authorizing implementation of a PPS for hospital outpatient services. The Balanced Budget Refinement Act of 1999 (BBRA) (Pub. L. 106–113), enacted on November 29, 1999, made major changes that affected the hospital outpatient PPS (OPPS). The Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Benefits Improvement and Protection Act of 2000 (BIPA) (Pub. L. 106–554), enacted on December 21, 2000, made further changes in the OPPS. The OPPS was first implemented for services furnished on or after August 1, 2000.

B. Summary of Rulemaking for the Outpatient Prospective System

• On September 8, 1998, we published a proposed rule (63 FR 47552) to establish in regulations a PPS for hospital outpatient services, to eliminate the formula-driven overpayment for certain hospital outpatient services, and to extend reductions in payment for costs of hospital outpatient services. On June 30, 1999, we published a correction notice (64 FR 35258) to correct a number of technical and typographic errors in the September 1998 proposed rule including the proposed amounts and factors used to determine the payment rates.

• On April 7, 2000, we published a final rule with comment period (65 FR 18434) that addressed the provisions of the PPS for hospital outpatient services scheduled to be effective for services furnished on or after July 1, 2000. Under this system, Medicare payment for hospital outpatient services included in the PPS is made at a predetermined, specific rate. These outpatient services are classified according to a list of ambulatory payment classifications (APCs). The April 7, 2000 final rule with comment period also established requirements for provider departments and provider-based entities and prohibited Medicare payment for nonphysician services furnished to a hospital outpatient by a provider or supplier other than a hospital unless the services are furnished under arrangement. In addition, this rule extended reductions in payment for costs of hospital outpatient services as required by the BBA and amended by the BBRA. Medicare regulations governing the hospital OPPS are set forth at 42 CFR part 419.

• On June 30, 2000, we published a notice (65 FR 40535) announcing a delay in implementation of the OPPS from July 1, 2000 to August 1, 2000. We implemented the OPPS on August 1, 2000.

• On August 3, 2000, we published an interim final rule with comment period (65 FR 47670) that modified criteria that we use to determine which medical devices are eligible for transitional pass-through payments. The August 3, 2000 rule also corrected and clarified certain provider-based provisions included in the April 7, 2000 rule.

• On November 13, 2000, we published an interim final rule with comment period (65 FR 67798). This rule provided for the annual update to the amounts and factors for OPPS payment rates effective for services furnished on or after January 1, 2001. We implemented the 2001 OPPS on January 1, 2001. We also responded to public comments on those portions of the April 7, 2000 final rule that implemented related provisions of the BBRA and public comments on the August 3, 2000 rule.

• On November 2, 2001, we published a final rule (66 FR 55857) that announced the Medicare OPPS conversion factor for calendar year 2002. In addition, it described the Secretary's estimate of the total amount of the transitional pass-through payments for CY 2002 and the implementation of a uniform reduction in each of the pass-through payments for that year.

• On November 2, 2001, we also published an interim final rule with comment period (66 FR 55850) that set forth the criteria the Secretary will use to establish new categories of medical devices eligible for transitional pass-through payments under Medicare's OPPS.

• On November 30, 2001, we published a final rule (66 FR 59856) that revised the Medicare OPPS to implement applicable statutory requirements, including relevant provisions of BIPA, and changes resulting from continuing experience with this system. It addition, it described the CY 2002 payment rates for Medicare hospital outpatient services paid under the PPS. This final rule also announced a uniform reduction of 68.9 percent to be applied to each of the transitional pass-through payments for certain categories of medical devices and drugs and biologicals.

• On December 31, 2001, we published a final rule (66 FR 67494) that delayed, until no later than April 1, 2002, the effective date of CY 2002 payment rates and the uniform reduction of transitional pass-through payments that were announced in the November 30, 2001 final rule. In addition, this final rule indefinitely delayed certain related regulatory provisions.

• On March 1, 2002, we published a final rule (67 FR 9556) that corrected technical errors that affected the amounts and factors used to determine the payment rates for services paid under the Medicare OPPS and corrected the uniform reduction to be applied to transitional pass-through payments for CY 2002 as published in the November 30, 2001 final rule. These corrections and the regulatory provisions that had been delayed became effective on April 1, 2002.

C. Authority for Payment Suspensions for Unfiled Cost Reports

Authority for the provision regarding payment suspensions for unfiled cost reports is contained within the authority for subpart C of 42 CFR Part 405, that is, sections 1102, 1815, 1833, 1842,

1866, 1870, 1871, 1879, and 1892 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1302, 1395g, 13951, 1395u, 1395cc, 1395gg, 1395hh, 1395pp, and 1395ccc) and 31 U.S.C. 3711.

D. Summary of Payment Suspensions for Unfiled Cost Reports

This provision is set forth in our existing regulations at 42 CFR 405.371 as follows:

Section 405.371 (a) provides that Medicare payments may be suspended, in whole or in part, following overpayments determined by the Medicare contractor when overpayment exists or when the payments to be made may not be correct.

Section 405.371(b) provides, in relevant part, that a payment suspension may proceed only after certain procedural requirements contained at § 405.372 are met.

Existing § 405.371(c) provides for suspension of payment if a provider has failed to timely file an acceptable cost report. Payment to the provider is immediately suspended until a cost report is filed and determined by the intermediary to be acceptable.

With the increased transition to the prospective payment systems, the cost report settlement process has become less determinative of an institutional provider's Medicare reimbursement. For instance, in the case of an inpatient acute care hospital, the base DRG payment (as opposed to any teaching or disproportionate share payments, or pass-through payments) is determined when a claim is initially adjudicated, and does not generally change at the time of cost report settlement. Similarly, the APC payment for an outpatient service is also based on the claim adjudication. For home health agencies, minimal changes to payment are made at the time of cost report settlement, and for skilled nursing facilities, the main cost report issues revolve around bad debt determinations. In all of these cases, a significant proportion of the institution's payments are determined based on the adjudication of claims, and do not change at the point of settling the cost report. However, the filing of cost reports remains important for settling some payments, such as medical education payments, even for providers that are fully transitioned to prospective payment systems. Also, cost reports for PPS providers are used for determining prospective payment rates for future years. For these reasons, tailored payment suspensions can still be an effective measure for ensuring that providers comply with their obligation to file timely and acceptable cost reports.

II. Proposed Changes to the Ambulatory Payment Classification (APC) Groups and Relative Weights

Under the OPPS, we pay for hospital outpatient services on a rate-per-service basis that varies according to the APC group to which the service is assigned. Each APC weight represents the median hospital cost of the services included in that APC relative to the median hospital cost of the services included in APC 601, Mid-Level Clinic Visits. The APC weights are scaled to APC 601 because a mid-level clinic visit is one of the most frequently performed services in the outpatient setting.

Section 1833(t)(9)(A) of the Act requires the Secretary to review the components of the OPPS not less often than annually and to revise the groups and related payment adjustment factors to take into account changes in medical practice, changes in technology, and the addition of new services, new cost data, and other relevant information. Section 1833(t)(9)(A) of the Act requires the Secretary, beginning in 2001, to consult with an outside panel of experts when annually reviewing and updating the APC groups and the relative payment weights.

Finally, section 1833(t)(2) of the Act provides that, subject to certain exceptions, the items and services within an APC group cannot be considered comparable with respect to the use of resources if the highest median or mean cost item or service in the group is more than 2 times greater than the lowest median or mean cost item or service within the same group (referred to as the ''2 times rule'').

We use the median cost of the item or service in implementing this provision. The statute authorizes the Secretary to make exceptions to the 2 times rule ''in unusual cases, such as low volume items and services.''

The APC groups that we are proposing in this rule as the basis for payment in 2003 under the OPPS have been analyzed within this statutory framework.

A. Recommendations of the Advisory Panel on APC Groups

1. Establishment of the Advisory Panel

Section 1833(t)(9)(A) of the Act, requires that we consult with an outside panel of experts when annually reviewing and updating the APC groups and the relative weights. The Act specifies that the panel will act in an advisory capacity. The expert panel, which is to be composed of representatives of providers, is to review and advise us about the clinical integrity of the APC groups and their weights. The panel is not restricted to using our data and may use data collected or developed by organizations outside the Department in conducting its review.

On November 21, 2000, the Secretary signed the charter establishing an ''Advisory Panel on APC Groups'' (the Panel). The Panel is technical in nature and is governed by the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) as amended (Pub. L. 92–463). To establish the Panel, we solicited members in a notice published in the **Federal Register** on December 5, 2000 (65 FR 75943). We received applications from more than 115 individuals nominating either themselves or a colleague. After carefully reviewing the applications, we chose 15 highly qualified individuals to serve on the Panel. The first APC Panel meeting was held on February 27, February 28, and March 1, 2001 to discuss the 2001 APCs in anticipation of the 2002 OPPS.

We published a notice in the **Federal Register** on December 14, 2001 to announce the location and time of the second Panel meeting, a list of agenda items, and that the meeting was open to the public. We also provided additional information through a press release and on our website. We convened the second meeting of the Panel on January 22 through January 24, 2002.

2. General Issues Considered by the Advisory Panel

In this section, we summarize the Panel's discussion of a recommendation by the Panel's Research Subcommittee concerning the format of written submissions and oral presentations to the Panel and of several general OPPS payment issues.

Content for Future Presentations to the Panel

During the 2001 meeting, the Panel heard many different types of oral presentations. The Panel members felt that requiring consistency for all presentations with regard to format, data submission, and general information would assist them in analyzing the submissions and presentations and making recommendations. Therefore, during the 2001 meeting, the Panel recommended the creation of a Research Subcommittee. The Research Subcommittee was established during the 2001 meeting and had regular conference calls to discuss the development and implementation of standards for written submissions and oral presentations to the Panel during its meetings. The Research Subcommittee also analyzed complex issues (such as the use of multiple procedure claims

data to set APC relative weights) that could not be addressed in the time allotted for the annual meeting.

The Panel began its 2002 meeting by considering the Research Subcommittee's recommendation to the Panel on requirements for written submissions and oral presentations. The Research Subcommittee recommended that all future oral presentations and written submissions contain the following:

- Name, address, and telephone number of the proposed presenter.
- Financial relationship(s), if any, with any company whose products, services, or procedures are under consideration.
- CPT codes involved.
- APC(s) affected.
- Description of the issue.
- Clinical description of the service under discussion, with comparison to other services within the APC.
- Description of the resource inputs associated with the service under discussion, with a comparison to resource inputs for other services within the APC.
- Recommendations and rationale for change.
- Expected outcome of change and potential consequences of no change.

The Panel adopted the Subcommittee s recommendation. Presentations for the 2003 meeting must contain, at a minimum, this information.

Inpatient Only List

At its February 2001 meeting, the Panel discussed the existence of the inpatient list. The Panel favored its elimination. At the January 2002 meeting, Panel members noted that hospitals receive no payment for a service performed in an outpatient department that appears on the inpatient list, even though the physician performing that service will receive payment for his or her services. The Panel believes the physician should determine what procedure to perform and that both the hospital and the physician should receive payment for the procedure. We continue to disagree with the position taken by the Panel regarding the inpatient list for reasons that we discuss in detail in the April 7, 2000 final rule (65 FR 18456).

Prior to the 2002 Panel meeting, we received requests from hospital and surgical associations and societies to remove certain procedures from the inpatient list. We reviewed those requests and presented to the Panel the requests for which we were unable to make a determination based on the information submitted with the request.

The Panel considered removing the following procedures from the inpatient list:

CPT	Description
21390	Treat eye socket fracture.
27216	Treat pelvic ring fracture.
27235	Treat thigh fracture.
32201	Drain, percut, lung lesion.
33967	Insert ia percut device.
47490	Incision of gallbladder.
62351	Implant spinal canal cath.
64820	Remove sympathetic nerves.
92986	Revision of aortic valve.
92987	Revision of mitral valve.
92990	Revision of pulmonary valve.
92997	Pul art balloon repr, precut.
92998	Pul art balloon repr, precut.

The Panel recommended that we solicit comments and additional information from hospitals and medical specialty societies that have an interest in these procedures. The Panel also recommended that we present to them at their 2003 meeting any such comments that we receive to assist in their evaluation of whether to recommend removing the codes from the inpatient list.

The Panel did recommend that we remove from the inpatient list CPT code 47001, Biopsy of liver, needle; when done for indicated purpose at time of other major procedure. Panel members stated that this add-on code is being billed with surgical procedures that are payable under the OPPS. The Panel noted that coding edits prevent payment for the other payable OPPS services if CPT code 47001 is on the claim. We agree with the Panel's recommendation and we propose to remove 47001 from the inpatient list. We further propose to assign it status indicator ''N'' so that costs associated with CPT code 47001 would be packaged into the APC payment for the primary procedure performed during the same operative session.

One presenter at the Panel meeting suggested removing CPT codes 53448, 54411, and 54417 from the inpatient list because he believed they were being performed in the outpatient setting. After discussing this suggestion, the Panel recommended that these codes remain on the inpatient list because they involve removing a prosthesis through an infected operative field and cannot be safely and effectively performed in the outpatient setting. We agree with the Panel's recommendation, and we are not proposing to remove these codes from the inpatient list.

In section II.B.5 of this preamble, below, we discuss additional procedures, which were not considered by the Panel, that we propose to remove from the inpatient list. We discuss in detail our reasons for proposing these additional changes, and we propose two new criteria that we would adopt in the future when evaluating whether to make a procedure on the inpatient list payable under the OPPS. Table 6 in section II.B.5 lists all the procedures we propose to remove from the inpatient list, including those discussed by the Panel. We are considering the removal of CPT code 33967, Insertion of intra-aortic balloon assist device, percutaneous from the inpatient list, but did not include it in Table 6. The Panel considered this code for removal from the inpatient list and had concerns about whether performing this procedure in an outpatient setting is appropriate. Further, we have not been able to confirm that this procedure is being performed on Medicare beneficiaries in an outpatient setting. We solicit comments, including clinical data and specific case reports, that would support payment for CPT 33967 under the OPPS.

Multiple Bills

During its February 2001 meeting, the Panel received oral testimony identifying CMS exclusive use of single procedure claims to set relative weights for APCs as a potential problem in setting appropriate payment rates for APCs. Therefore, the panel asked its Research Subcommittee to work with CMS staff, using the Endoscopic Retrograde Cholangiopancreatography (ERCP) code family as a case study, to explore the use of multiple procedure claims data for setting relative weights. This code family was selected because presenters had suggested that when procedures in this family are performed, it is typical to perform more than one procedure during a session.

The Subcommittee reviewed pre-OPPS claims data for these codes, paying particular attention to common code combinations and costs per procedure and per code combination. After lengthy review, the Panel concluded that (1) it could not determine whether findings based on review of pre-OPPS data could be extrapolated to post-OPPS claims data; (2) the variability in allocation of costs across ERCP line items and the existence of claims where the same ERCP code was billed more than once indicate that problems exist with the accuracy of facility coding for these procedures; and (3) analysis of multiple claims data for ERCP may not be applicable to other sets of services.

The Subcommittee made the following recommendations to the Panel, which the Panel approved:

• We should continue to explore the use of multiple procedure claims data for setting payment rates but should continue to use only single procedure claims data to determine relative payment weights for CY 2003.

• We should work with the APC Panel to explore the use of multiple claims data drawn from OPPS claims for services such as radiation oncology in time for the next APC Panel meeting.

• We should educate hospitals on appropriate coding and billing practices to ensure that claims with multiple procedures are properly coded and that costs are properly allocated to each procedure.

One presenter to the panel suggested a method to increase the number of claims that could be considered as single claims. Currently, we consider any claim submitted with two or more primary codes (that is, a code assigned to an APC for separate payment) to be a multiple procedure claim. When these claims contain line items for revenue centers without an accompanying Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) code there is no way to determine the appropriate primary code with which to package the revenue center. The presenter suggested that we consider all claims where every line contains a separately payable HCPCS code as a single procedure claim, reasoning that on such claims we do not have to determine how and where to ''package'' line items not identified by a separately payable HCPCS code. Where every line item contains a separately payable HCPCS code, every cost can easily be allocated to a separately payable HCPCS code on the line item and all costs for each HCPCS code can then be accurately and completely determined.

We agree. We describe in section II.B.4 how we determined the number of single claims used to set the APC relative weights proposed for 2003 using this methodology. We ask for comments on our methodology.

Packaging

We sought the Panel's guidance on whether we should package the costs of HCPCS codes for radiologic guidance and radiologic supervision and interpretation services whose descriptors require that they only be performed in conjunction with a surgical procedure.

There are a number of reasons why we package the costs of certain procedures. For example, ''add-on'' procedures and radiologic guidance procedures should never be billed on a claim without the code for an associated procedure. A facility should not submit a claim for ultrasound guidance for a biopsy unless the claim also includes the biopsy procedure, because the guidance is necessary only when a biopsy is performed. A claim for a packaged guidance procedure (or a supervision and interpretation procedure whose descriptor requires it be performed in association with a surgical procedure) would be returned to the provider for correction and resubmission.

Also, we use packaging because billing conventions allow hospitals to report costs for certain services using only revenue center codes (that is, hospitals are not required to specify HCPCS codes for certain services). Packaging allows these costs to be captured in the data used to calculate median costs for services with an APC.

Several presenters to the panel requested that we not package any radiologic guidance or supervision and interpretation codes. They believe that hospitals will not use codes for which they do not receive a separate payment. If that were the case, it would be difficult to track utilization for these procedures and make it difficult for radiology departments to receive an appropriate payment for their services. A few presenters also pointed out that various forms of guidance with widely varying costs can be used for a single surgical procedure. Therefore, we might unintentionally create an incentive for inappropriate care by packaging several guidance procedures with varying costs into a single surgical code. Additionally, a manufacturer of ultrasound guidance equipment used for placement of radiation fields commented that, because guidance is rarely used for this purpose, its costs could not be adequately captured by packaging it into a common procedure where the vast majority of claims did not use guidance.

The Panel concluded that, even though we could be setting relative weights based on error claims, we should not package additional radiologic guidance and supervision and interpretation procedures and should continue to explore methodologies that would allow these procedures to be recognized for separate payment. The Panel also recommended that radiology guidance codes that were in APC 268 for CY 2001 but that were designated with status indicator ''N'' as packaged services in 2002, be restored as separately payable services for CY 2003. The Panel requested that this topic be placed on the agenda for the next Panel meeting.

Add-On Codes

We presented for the Panel's consideration several options for payment of add-on codes, including assignment of status indicator ''N'' to package them into the payment for the base procedure. Add-on codes described additional procedures performed by the same physician that are associated with the primary procedure, and which cannot be billed without the primary procedure. Such a methodology would create a single, weight averaged payment for the parent procedure and the add-on procedure while addressing the problem that any ''single'' claim for an add-on procedure is, by definition, an error claim. After thorough review, the Panel concluded that we should continue to pay for add-on codes separately, setting relative weights with the use of single procedure claims in spite of the fact that these were error claims. The Panel asked us to continue exploring ways to most appropriately pay for these services. They requested that this item also be placed on the agenda for the next Panel meeting.

We propose to accept the recommendations of the APC Panel both for packaging radiology guidance and supervision and interpretation codes and for payment of add-on codes. We are proposing to pay separately in 2003 for radiology guidance codes that were paid in APC 268 in CY 2001 but that were packaged in 2002.

3. Recommendations of the Advisory Panel and Our Responses

In this section, we consider the Panel's recommendations affecting specific APCs. The most recent data available for the Panel to review in considering specific APC groupings were the 1999–2000 pre-OPPS claims data that were the basis of the CY 2002 relative payment weights. The APC titles are shown in this discussion of the APC Panel recommendations as they existed when the APC Panel met in January 2002. In a few cases the APC titles were changed for the proposed 2003 OPPS and therefore some APCs do not have the same title in Addenda A as they have in this section.

As discussed below, the Panel sometimes declined to recommend a change in an APC even though the APC violated the 2 times rule. In section II.B.1 of this preamble, we discuss our proposals regarding the 2 times rule based on the CY 2001 data we are using to recalibrate the 2003 APC relative weights. Section II.B.1 also details the criteria we use in deciding to make an exception to the 2 times rule. We asked the Panel to review many of the

exceptions we implemented in 2001 and 2002. We refer to the exceptions as ''violations of the 2 times'' rule in the following discussion.

APC 215: Level I Nerve and Muscle Tests
APC 216: Level III Nerve and Muscle Tests
APC 218: Level II Nerve and Muscle Tests

We presented this agenda item because APC 215 appeared to violate the 2 times rule. In order to remedy this violation, we asked the Panel to consider the following changes:

- Move CPT codes 95858, 95921, and 95922 from APC 215 to APC 218.
- Move CPT code 95930 from APC 216 to APC 218.
- Move CPT code 92275 from APC 216 to APC 231.
- Move CPT code 95920 from APC 218 to APC 216.

A presenter to the Panel who represented a device manufacturer noted that the resources used to provide 95921, Autonomic nerve function test, are not similar to the resources required for performing the procedures in APC 218, where we had suggested moving the device. He requested that the code be reassigned to APC 216 where it resided in calendar year 2000. Because there were very few claims for the code in the 1999 and 2000 data, the Panel voiced concern about making the change without sufficient data to support such a move.

The Panel recommended that the changes we asked them to consider be made, that is, to move CPT codes 95921 and 95922 to APC 218. However, if the calendar year 2001 data support a move of 95921 to APC 216, the Panel recommended that we consider that move.

APC 600: Low Level Clinic Visits
APC 601: Mid Level Clinic Visits
APC 602: High Level Clinic Visits
APC 610: Low Level Emergency Visits
APC 611: Mid Level Emergency Visits
APC 612: High Level Emergency Visits

The Panel's recommendations related to facility coding for clinic and emergency department visits are discussed below, in section VIII.A.

APC 296: Level I Therapeutic Radiologic Procedures
APC 297: Level II Therapeutic Radiologic Procedures
APC 263: Level I Miscellaneous Radiology Procedures
APC 264: Level II Miscellaneous Radiology Procedures

APCs 296, 263, and 264 appear to violate the 2 times rule. We asked the Panel to consider three options for reconfiguring these APCs so that they would conform with the 2 times rule.

Option 1: Create a new APC, Level III Therapeutic Radiology Procedures, by moving CPT code 75984 from APC 296 and 74475 from APC 297. Also, move CPT codes 76101, 70390, and 71060 from APC 263 to APC 264 and move CPT code 75980 from APC 297 to APC 296.

Option 2: Move CPT codes 76101, 703690, and 71060 from APC 263 to APC 264 and move CPT code 75984 from APC 296 to APC 264. Move CPT code 75980 from APC 297 to APC 296.

Option 3: Create a new APC, Level III Miscellaneous Radiology Procedures, by moving CPT codes 76080, 7036736, 76101, 70390, 74190, and 71060 from APC 263. Move CPT code 74327 from APC 296 to APC 263 and move CPT code 75980 from APC 297 to APC 296. APC 264 remains unchanged.

One presenter to the panel objected to the use of miscellaneous APCs in the OPPS. The presenter argued that we are charged with creating clinically coherent APCs and that miscellaneous APCs contradict the principle of clinical coherence. We noted that in spite of considerable effort to do so, we have not been able to incorporate the procedures assigned to miscellaneous APCs into other, more clinically homogeneous APCs. We asked the presenter to propose a configuration for consideration.

The Panel noted that none of the options that we presented resolve all of the 2 times violations. However, the Panel agreed that Option 2 would create more clinically coherent APCs without creating a new APC based on anticipated device costs that would be billed in 2002. In addition, the Panel invited the American College of Radiology and other interested parties to propose further changes for the Panel's consideration next year.

We propose to accept the Panel's recommendations that option 2 be implemented.

APC 230: Level I Eye Tests and Treatments
APC 231: Level III Eye Tests and Treatments
APC 232: Level I Anterior Segment Eye Procedures
APC 233: Level II Anterior Segment Eye Procedures
APC 234: Level III Anterior Segment Eye Procedures
APC 235: Level I Posterior Segment Eye Procedures
APC 236: Level II Posterior Segment Eye Procedures
APC 237: Level III Posterior Segment Eye Procedures
APC 238: Level I Repair and Plastic Eye Procedures
APC 239: Level II Repair and Plastic Eye Procedures
APC 240: Level III Repair and Plastic Eye Procedures
APC 241: Level IV Repair and Plastic Eye Procedures
APC 242: Level V Repair and Plastic Eye Procedures
APC 247: Laser Eye Procedures Except Retinal
APC 248: Laser Retinal Procedures
APC 698: Level II Eye Tests and Treatments
APC 699: Level IV Eye Tests and Treatments

We asked the Panel to review these APCs to address clinical inconsistencies and violations of the 2 times rule. We suggested creating a new level for posterior segment eye procedures and other changes in order to make the groups more clinically coherent, as follows:

- Move CPT codes 65260 and 67218 from APC 237 to 236.
- Create a new APC (Level IV Posterior Segment Eye Procedures) by moving CPT codes 67107, 67112, 67040, and 67108 from APC 237.
- Move CPT codes 67145, 67105, and 67210 from APC 247 to APC 248.
- Move CPT code 66999 from APC 247 to APC 232.
- Move CPT code 67299 from APC 248 to APC 235.
- Move CPT codes 65855, 66761, and 66821 from APC 248 to APC 247.
- Move CPT code 67820 from APC 698 to APC 230.
- Move CPT code 67208 from APC 231 to APC 235.
- Move CPT codes 92226, 92284, 65205, 92140 from APC 231 to APC 698.
- Move CPT code 92235 from APC 231 to APC 699.
- Move CPT code 68100 from APC 233 to APC 232.
- Move CPT code 65180 from APC 233 to APC 234.
- Create a new APC (Level IV Anterior Segment Eye Procedures) by moving CPT codes 66172, 66185, 66180, 66225 from APC 234.
- Move CPT code 92275 from APC 216 to APC 231.

No presenters commented on these APCs, and, after brief discussion, the Panel recommended concurrence with our suggested changes. We propose to accept the Panel's recommendations. We note that when we were able to use 2001 claims data to re-evaluate the changes recommended by the Panel for these APCs, we found violations of the 2 times rule in the reconfigured APCs. Nonetheless, we propose to accept the

Panel's recommendations because they result in more clinically coherent APCs. We solicit comments on further changes that would address the violations of the 2 times rule. We plan to place these APCs on the panel's agenda for 2003.

APC 110: Transfusion

APC 111: Blood Product Exchange

APC 112: Apheresis, Photopheresis, and Plasmapheresis

We presented these APCs to the Panel in 2001 because of their low payment rates and concern that our cost data was inaccurate. These APCs were on the agenda this year in order to obtain further comment on our cost data. We suggested no changes in the structure of these APCs.

Representatives of two associations made presentations regarding these APCs. One recommended that all the plasma derivatives and recombinant analogs that currently receive transitional pass-through payments be assigned to permanent APCs in 2003, similar to the designations of other blood products. The representative of the second association supported this recommendation.

The second presenter also pointed out that, consistent with our billing instructions, every claim that a hospital submits for a blood transfusion should include codes for both the blood product and the transfusion. Therefore, payment for blood and blood products is another area affected by the use of single bills in setting payment weights. The Panel agreed to look specifically at blood in its work on the multiple claims issues.

The Panel recommended that plasma derivatives be placed in their own APCs and classified in the same manner as whole blood products. In addition, the Panel observed that hospitals incur additional costs with each unit of blood product transfused and, therefore, recommended that APC 110 be revised to allow for the costs of additional units of blood product and clinical services.

In section III.C, we discuss our payment proposals for drugs and biologicals for which pass-through payments are scheduled to expire in 2003. Those proposals would affect payment for blood and blood products. We propose not to accept the Panel's recommendation to change current OPPS payment policy for transfusions. The current payment reflects weight averaging over the number of units transfused. Therefore, unless a hospital specializes in transfusing multiple units of blood, payments for this procedure should be, on average, appropriate.

Panel Recommendations to Defer Changes Pending Availability of 2001 Claims Data

Regarding the remaining APC groups that are addressed below, the Panel recommended that we make no changes until data from claims billed in 2001 under the OPPS become available for analysis. The Panel further requested that we place the APC groups in this section on the agenda for consideration at its meeting in 2003. The changes that we propose for the APCs in this section are based upon our review of the 2001 claims data, which did not become available until March 2002.

APC 203: Level V Nerve Injections
APC 204: Level VI Nerve Injections
APC 206: Level III Nerve Injections
APC 207: Level IV Nerve Injections

Several presenters to the Panel suggested changes in the configuration of these APCs because of concerns that the current classifications result in payment rates that are too low relative to the resource costs associated with certain procedures in the APCs. Several of these APCs include procedures associated with drugs or with device categories for which pass-through payments are scheduled to expire in 2003. The Panel recommended that we not change the structure of these APCs at this time. Because the structure of these APCs was substantially changed for 2002, and 2002 cost data was not yet available, the Panel felt it would be appropriate to review 2002 cost data prior to making further structural changes to these APCs. We propose to accept the Panel's recommendation. We will place these APCs on the Panel's agenda when 2002 cost data becomes available.

APC 43: Closed Treatment Fracture Finger/Toe/Trunk

APC 44: Closed Treatment Fracture/Dislocation, Except Finger/Toe/Trunk

On the basis of 1999–2000 claims data, these APCs violate the 2 times rule. The Panel reviewed these APCs and recommended no changes.

Our subsequent review of 2001 OPPS cost data shows continuing violations of the 2 times rule and that costs within these APCs are virtually identical. Therefore, we propose to combine APCs 43 and 44 into APC 43. The procedures in the consolidated APC are clinically homogeneous.

APC 58: Level I Strapping and Cast Application

APC 59: Level II Strapping and Cast Application

The Panel reviewed these APCs and recommended that no changes be made pending analysis of 2001 claims data. The panel did recommend that billing instructions be developed on the appropriate use of the codes in these APCs. We agree with the Panel's recommendation regarding the need for billing instructions, and we expect to develop such instructions for hospitals to use in 2003.

Our subsequent review of 2001 claims data reveals that, in some cases, costs for short casts and splints are greater than costs for long casts and splints. Moreover, the proposed payments for these two APCs, based on 2001 OPPS data, would not differ significantly from each other. Therefore, we propose to combine the codes in APC 58 and APC 59 into a single APC, APC 58. Combining these APCs does not compromise clinical homogeneity. The relative weight of the proposed single APC is virtually identical to the relative weight of each of the two current APCs. We propose to continue to work with hospitals to develop appropriate coding for these services and will review the appropriate APC structure for these services next year.

APC 279: Level I Angiography and Venography Except Extremity

APC 280: Level II Angiography and Venography Except Extremity

Without the benefit of 2001 OPPS claims data, it was difficult for the Panel to determine whether the apparent violation of the 2 times rule in APCs 279 and 280 was attributable to underreporting of procedures or inaccurate coding. Therefore, the Panel recommended no changes pending the availability of the more recent claims data. After subsequently reviewing the 2001 claims data, we propose to move CPT codes 75978, Transluminal balloon angioplasty, venous, radiological supervision and interpretation, and 75774, Angiography, selective, each additional vessel studied after basic examination, radiological supervision and interpretation, to new APC 0668. This would resolve violations of the 2 times rule and result in clinically coherent APCs.

APC 115: Cannula/Access Device Procedures

We propose to move CPT code 36860, External Cannula Declotting; without balloon catheter, to APC 103, Miscellaneous Vascular Procedures. We believe this makes both APC 115 and APC 103 more clinically homogeneous and it resolves a violation of the 2 times rule in APC 115 that was caused by the presence of CPT code 36860.

APC 93: Vascular Repair/Fistula Construction

APC 140: Esophageal Dilation without Endoscopy
APC 141: Upper GI Procedures
APC 142: Small Intestine Endoscopy
APC 143: Lower GI Endoscopy
APC 144: Diagnostic Anoscopy
APC 145: Therapeutic Anoscopy
APC 146: Level I Sigmoidoscopy
APC 147: Level II Sigmoidoscopy
APC 148: Level I Anal/Rectal Procedure
APC 149: Level II Anal/Rectal Procedure

Our subsequent review of 2001 claims data suggests that the cost data for APCs 144 and 145 are aberrant. The cost data for these APCs yield relative weights and payments that are significantly higher than the relative weights for APCs 146 and 147, which consist of similar procedures performed through a sigmoidoscope rather than an anoscope. As currently arranged, the APC configuration for these services could provide a financial incentive for hospitals to perform unnecessary anoscopic procedures, either alone or with a sigmoidoscopy. To rectify this problem, we propose to move the procedures in APCs 144 and 145 to APC 147 with the exception of CPT code 46600, Anoscopy; diagnostic, which we propose to assign to APC 340, Minor Ancillary procedures. We believe these changes would result in clinically coherent APCs with appropriate relative weights and payment rates.

APC 363: Otorhinolaryngologic Function Tests

Based on 2001 claims data, we propose to move CPT codes 92543, 92588, 92520, 92546, 92516, 92548, and 92584 to new APC 0660 (Level III Otorhinolaryngolgic Function Tests). This change would resolve a 2 times rule violation and create clinically coherent APCs.

APC 96: Non-Invasive Vascular Studies
APC 265: Level I Diagnostic Ultrasound Except Vascular
APC 266: Level II Diagnostic Ultrasound Except Vascular
APC 267: Vascular Ultrasound
APC 269: Level I Echocardiogram Except Transesophageal
APC 270: Transesophageal Echocardiogram

The APC Panel recommended making no changes in the configuration of these APCs. Several groups made a joint proposal to reconfigure these APCs arguing that their proposal resulted in more clinically coherent APCs. However, several other presenters commented that the joint proposal did not include several physician groups who commonly perform these procedures.

Based on 2001 claims data, we propose to make several changes in order to resolve 2 times rule violations and to make these APCs more clinically coherent. Specifically, we propose to move CPT code 43499 from APC 0140 to APC 141; CPT code 93721 from APC 0096 to APC 368; CPT code 93740 from APC 0096 to APC 367; CPT code 93888 from APC 0267 to APC 266; and CPT code 93931 from APC 0267 to APC 266. We also propose to move CPT codes 78627, 76825, and 93320 from APC 0269 to new APC 0671 to achieve more clinical coherence. We also propose to create new APC 0670 for intravascular ultrasound and intracardiac echocardiography consisting of CPT codes 37250, 37251, 92978, 92979, and 93662.

APC 291: Level I Diagnostic Nuclear Medicine Excluding Myocardial Scans
APC 292: Level II Diagnostic Nuclear Medicine Excluding Myocardial Scans

Subsequent to the APC Panel meeting, we received comments on these APCs from the Nuclear Medicine Task Force. After a thorough review of that proposal within the context of the 2001 claims data, we propose to accept the recommendations of the Nuclear Medicine Task Force, which would result in a complete reconfiguration of APCs 290, 291, and 292. Although the reconfiguration would create violations of the 2 times rule, we agree with the Task Force that the reconfigured APCs are more clinically coherent. We note that APCs 290, 291, and 292 as currently configured would also violate the 2 times rule. Therefore, we solicit comments on the proposed reconfiguration of APCs 290, 291, and 292 and on alternative groupings that would achieve clinical coherence without violating the 2 times rule.

APC 274: Myleography
APC 179: Urinary Incontinence Procedures
APC 182: Insertion of Penile Prosthesis
APC 19: Level I Excision/Biopsy
APC 20: Level II Excision/Biopsy
APC 21: Level IV Excision/Biopsy
APC 22: Level V Excision/Biopsy
APC 694: Level III Excision/Biopsy

Based on 2001 claims data, we propose to move several codes from APC 19 to APC 20 and several codes from ACP 20 to APC 21. Additionally, we propose to move CPT codes 11770, 54105, and 60512 to APC 22. We also propose to move CPT code 58999 to APC 191 and CPT code 37799 to APC 35. These changes would result in clinically coherent APCs that do not violate the 2 times rule.

APC 24: Level I Skin Repair
APC 25: Level II Skin Repair
APC 26: Level III Skin Repair
APC 27: Level IV Skin Repair
APC 686: Level V Skin Repair

Based on 2001 claims data, we propose to move CPT code 43870 from APC 0025 to APC 141; and CPT codes with high costs from APC 26 to APC 27. We also propose to move the codes remaining in APC 26 to APC 25. APC 26 would then be deleted. These changes would result in a more compact APC structure without compromising the clinical homogeneity of the reconfigured APCs and without violating the 2 times rule. See Table 1 for codes moving from APC 26 to APC 25 or APC 27.

TABLE 1.—HCPCS CODES PROPOSED TO BE MOVED FROM APC 26 INTO APC 25 OR APC 27

2002 APC 26	2003 APC 25	2003 APC 27
11960		11960
11970		11970
12037	12037	
12047	12047	
12057	12057	
13150	13150	
13160		13160
14000		14000
14001		14001
14020		14020
14021		14021
14040		14040
14041		14041
14060		14060
14061		14061
14300		14300
14350		14350
15000	15000	
15001	15001	
15050	15050	
15101		15101
15120		15120
15121		15121
15200		15200
15201	15201	
15220		15220
15221	15221	
15240		15240
15241	15241	
15260		15260
15261	15261	
15351		15351
15400	15400	
15401	15401	
15570		15570
15572		15572
15574		15574
15576		15576
15600		15600
15610		15610
15620		15620
15630		15630
15650		15650
15775	15775	
15776	15776	
15819	15819	
15820		15820
15821		15821
15822		15822
15823		15823

TABLE 1.—HCPCS CODES PROPOSED TO BE MOVED FROM APC 26 INTO APC 25 OR APC 27—Continued

2002 APC 26	2003 APC 25	2003 APC 27
15825		15825
15826		15826
15829		15829
15835	15835	
20101		20101
20102		20102
20910		20910
20912		20912
20920		20920
20922		20922
20926		20926
23921	23921	
25929		25929
33222		33222
33223		33223
44312		44312
44340		44340
15580—Code Deleted.		
15625—Code Deleted.		

APC 77: Level I Pulmonary Treatment
APC 78: Level II Pulmonary Treatment
APC 251: Level I ENT Procedures
APC 252: Level II ENT Procedures
APC 253: Level III ENT Procedures
APC 254: Level IV ENT Procedures
APC 256: Level V ENT Procedures

Based on 2001 claims data, we propose to address violations of the 2 times rule by moving CPT codes 40812, 42330, and 21015 from APC 0252 to APC 253 and by moving CPT codes 41120 and 30520 to APC 254.

B. Other Changes Affecting the APCs

1. Limit on Variation of Costs of Services Classified Within a Group

Section 1833(t)(2) of the Act provides that the items and services within an APC group cannot be considered comparable with respect to the use of resources if the highest cost item or service within a group is more than 2 times greater than the lowest cost item or service within the same group. However, the statute authorizes the Secretary to make exceptions to this limit on the variation of costs within each group in unusual cases such as low volume items and services. No exception may be made, however, in the case of a drug or biological that has been designated as an orphan drug under section 526 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.

Taking into account the proposed APC changes discussed in relation to the APC panel recommendations in this section of this preamble and the use of 2001 claims data to calculate the median cost of procedures classified to APCs, we reviewed all the APCs to determine which of them would not meet the 2 times limit. We use the following criteria when deciding whether to make exceptions to the 2 times rule for affected APCs:

- Resource homogeneity.
- Clinical homogeneity.
- Hospital concentration.
- Frequency of service (volume).
- Opportunity for upcoding and code fragmentation.

For a detailed discussion of these criteria, refer to the April 7, 2000 final rule (65 FR 18457).

The following table contains APCs that we propose to exempt from the 2 times rule based on the criteria cited above. In cases in which compliance with the 2 times rule appeared to conflict with a recommendation of the APC Advisory Panel, we generally accepted the Panel recommendation. This was because Panel recommendations were based on explicit consideration of resource use, clinical homogeneity, hospital specialization, and the quality of the data used to determine payment rates.

The median cost for hospital outpatient services for these and all other APCs can be found at website: *http://www.cms.hhs.gov.*

TABLE 2.—TABLE OF EXEMPTED CODES

NPRM APC	Description
0012	Level I Debridement & Destruction
0019	Level I Excision/ Biopsy
0020	Level II Excision/ Biopsy
0025	Level II Skin Repair
0032	Insertion of Central Venous/Arterial Catheter
0043	Closed Treatment Fracture Finger/Toe/Trunk
0046	Open/Percutaneous Treatment Fracture or Dislocation
0058	Level I Strapping and Cast Application
0074	Level IV Endoscopy Upper Airway
0080	Diagnostic Cardiac Catheterization
0081	Non-Coronary Angioplasty or Atherectomy
0093	Vascular Repair/Fistula Construction
0097	Cardiac and Ambulatory Blood Pressure Monitoring
0099	Electrocardiograms
0103	Miscellaneous Vascular Procedures
0105	Revision/Removal of Pacemakers, AICD, or Vascular
0121	Level I Tube changes and Repositioning
0140	Esophageal Dilation without Endoscopy
0147	Level II Sigmoidoscopy
0148	Level I Anal/Rectal Procedure
0155	Level II Anal/Rectal Procedure
0165	Level III Urinary and Anal Procedures
0170	Dialysis
0179	Urinary Incontinence Procedures
0191	Level I Female Reproductive Proc
0192	Level IV Female Reproductive Proc
0203	Level VI Nerve Injections
0204	Level I Nerve Injections
0207	Level III Nerve Injection
0218	Level II Nerve and Muscle Tests
0225	Implantation of Neurostimulator Electrodes
0230	Level I Eye Tests & Treatments
0231	Level III Eye Tests & Treatments

TABLE 2.—TABLE OF EXEMPTED CODES—Continued

NPRM APC	Description
0233	Level II Anterior Segment Eye Procedures
0235	Level I Posterior Segment Eye Procedures
0238	Level I Repair and Plastic Eye Procedures
0239	Level II Repair and Plastic Eye Procedures
0252	Level II ENT Procedures
0260	Level I Plain Film Except Teeth
0274	Myelography
0286	Myocardial Scans
0290	Level I Diagnostic Nuclear Medicine Excluding Myocardial Scans
0291	Level II Diagnostic Nuclear Medicine Excluding Myocardial Scans
0294	Level I Therapeutic Nuclear Medicine
0297	Level II Therapeutic Radiologic Procedures
0303	Treatment Device Construction
0304	Level I Therapeutic Radiation Treatment Preparation
0330	Dental Procedures
0345	Level I Transfusion Laboratory Procedures
0354	Administration of Influenza/Pneumonia Vaccine
0356	Level II Immunizations
0367	Level I Pulmonary Test
0368	Level II Pulmonary Tests
0370	Allergy Tests
0373	Neuropsychological Testing
0600	Low Level Clinic Visits
0602	High Level Clinic Visits
0660	Level III Otorhinolaryngologic Function Tests
0692	Electronic Analysis of Neurostimulator Pulse Generators
0694	Mohs Surgery
0698	Level II Eye Tests & Treatments

2. Procedures Moved From New Technology APCs to Clinically Appropriate APCs

In the November 30, 2001 final rule, we made final our proposal to change the period of time during which a service may be paid under a new technology APC (66 FR 59903), initially established in the April 7, 2000 final rule. That is, beginning in 2002, we will retain a service within a new technology APC group until we have acquired adequate data that allow us to assign the service to a clinically appropriate APC. This policy allows us to move a service from a new technology APC in less than 2 years if sufficient data are available, and it also allows us to retain a service in a new technology APC for more than 3 years if sufficient data upon which to base a decision for reassignment have not been collected.

Effective in 2003, we propose to move several procedures from new technology APCs to clinical APCs. Those procedures and the clinical APCs to which we propose to assign the procedures for payment in 2003 are identified in Table 3. Based upon our review of the 2001 OPPS claims data, we believe we have sufficient information upon which to base assignment of these procedures to clinical APCs. In making this determination, we reviewed both single and multiple procedure claims. We compared median cost data for the new technology procedures with median cost data for procedures that are clinically similar and for which we would expect costs to be similar. We also compared median cost data for the new technology procedures with median cost data for clinically related procedures, such as different methods of treating prostatic hypertrophy, where expected median costs were lower or higher than those of the new technology procedure. In some cases we propose classification of a new technology procedure in an APC with procedures that are similar both clinically and in terms of resource consumption. In other cases, we propose to create a new APC for a new technology procedure because we do not believe any of the existing APCs contain procedures that are clinically similar and similar in terms of resource consumption. We solicit comments on our proposed reassignment of the new technology procedures listed in Table 3.

TABLE 3.—PROPOSED CHANGES IN HCPCS ASSIGNMENTS FROM NEW TECHNOLOGY APCS TO PROCEDURE APCS FOR 2003

HCPCS	Description	2002 SI	2003 SI	2002 APC	2003 APC
19103	Bx breast percut w/device	S	T	0710	0658
33282	Implant pat-active ht record	S	S	0710	0680
36550	Declot vascular device	T	T	0972	0677
53850	Prostatic microwave thermotx	T	T	0982	0675
53852	Prostatic rf thermotx	T	T	0982	0675
55873	Cryoablate prostate	T	T	0982	0674
76075	Dual energy x-ray study	S	S	0707	0288
76076	Dual energy x-ray study	S	S	0707	0665
77520	Proton trmt, simple w/o comp	S	S	0710	0664
77522	Proton trmt, simple w/comp	S	S	0710	0664
77523	Proton trmt, intermediate	S	S	0712	0664

TABLE 3.—PROPOSED CHANGES IN HCPCS ASSIGNMENTS FROM NEW TECHNOLOGY APCS TO PROCEDURE APCS FOR 2003—Continued

HCPCS	Description	2002 SI	2003 SI	2002 APC	2003 APC
77525	Proton treatment, complex	S	S	0712	0664
92586	Auditor evoke potent, limit	S	S	0707	0218
95965	Meg, spontaneous	T	S	0972	0717
95966	Meg, evoked, single	T	S	0972	0714
95967	Meg, evoked, each addl	T	S	0972	0712
C1300	Hyperbaric oxygen	S	S	0707	0659
C9708	Preview Tx Planning Software	T	T	0975	0973
G0125	PET img WhBD sgl pulm ring	T	S	0976	0667
G0166	Extrnl counterpulse, per tx	T	T	0972	0678
G0168	Wound closure by adhesive	T	X	0970	0340
G0173	Stereo radoisurgery, complete	S	S	0721	0663
G0204	Diagnostic mammography digital	S	S	0707	0669
G0206	Diagnostic mammography digital	S	S	0707	0669
G0210	PET img whbd ring dxlung ca	S	S	0714	0667
G0211	PET img whbd ring init lung	S	S	0714	0667
G0212	PET img whbd ring restag lun	S	S	0714	0667
G0213	PET img whbd ring dx colorec	S	S	0714	0667
G0214	PET img whbd ring init colre	S	S	0714	0667
G0215	PET img whbd restag col	S	S	0714	0667
G0216	PET img whbd ring dx melanom	S	S	0714	0667
G0217	PET img whbd ring init melan	S	S	0714	0667
G0218	PET img whbd ring restag mel	S	S	0714	0667
G0220	PET img whbd ring dx lymphom	S	S	0714	0667
G0221	PET img whbd ring init lymph	S	S	0714	0667
G0222	PET img whbd ring resta lymp	S	S	0714	0667
G0223	PET img whbd reg ring dx hea	S	S	0714	0667
G0224	PET img whbd reg ring ini hea	S	S	0714	0667
G0225	PET img whbd ring restag hea	S	S	0714	0667
G0226	PET img whbd dx esophag	S	S	0714	0667
G0227	PET img whbd ring ini esopha	S	S	0714	0667
G0228	PET img whbd ring restg esop	S	S	0714	0667
G0229	PET img metabolic brain ring	S	S	0714	0667
G0230	PET myocard viability ring	S	S	0714	0667
G0231	PET WhBD colorec; gamma cam	S	S	0714	0667
G0232	PET WhBD lymphoma; gamma cam	S	S	0714	0667
G0233	PET WhBD melanoma; gamma cam	S	S	0714	0667
G0234	PET WhBD pulm nod, gamma cam	S	S	0714	0667

3. APC Assignment for New Codes Created During 2002

During CY 2002 we created several HCPCS codes to describe services newly covered by Medicare and payable under the hospital OPPS. While we have assigned these services to APCs for CY 2002, the assignments are open to public comment in this proposed rule. In this proposed rule, we solicit comment on the APC assignment of these services. In addition, in this proposed rule, we are proposing the creation of several new HCPCS codes and APC assignments with an effective date of January 1, 2003. Table 4 below includes new procedural HCPCS codes either created for implementation in July 2002, which we intend to implement in October 2002, or which we propose to implement January 2003.

Table 4 does not include new codes for drugs and devices for which we established or intend to establish pass-through payment eligibility in July or October 2002. Furthermore, neither the new procedural HCPCS nor the new pass-through codes intended as of this publication for implementation beginning October 2002 or later are included in Addendum B of this proposed rule.

TABLE 4.—NEW G CODES FOR 2002 AND PROPOSED G CODES FOR 2003

Code	Long descriptor	APC	SI	Proposed effective date
G0245	Initial physician evaluation of a diabetic patient with diabetic sensory neuropathy resulting in a loss of protective sensation (LOPS) which must include the procedure used to diagnose LOPS; a patient history; and a physician examination that consists of at least the following elements—* * *.	0600	V	7/01/02
G0246	Follow-up physician evaluation of a diabetic patient with diabetic sensory neuropathy resulting in a loss of protective sensation (LOPS) which must include the procedure used to diagnose LOPS; a patient history; and a physician examination that includes—* * *.	0600	V	7/01/02
G0247	Routine foot care by a physician of a diabetic patient with diabetic sensory neuropathy resulting in a loss of protective sensation (LOPS) to include if present at least the following—* * *.	0009	T	7/01/02

TABLE 4.—NEW G CODES FOR 2002 AND PROPOSED G CODES FOR 2003—Continued

Code	Long descriptor	APC	SI	Proposed effective date
G0248	Demonstration, at initial use, of home INR monitoring for a patient with mechanical heart valve(s) who meets Medicare coverage criteria, under the direction of a physician; includes: demonstration use and care of the INR monitor, obtaining at least one blood sample provision of instructions for reporting home INR test results and documentation of a patient's ability to perform testing.	0708	S	7/01/02
G0249	Provision of test material and equipment for home INR monitoring to patient wih mechanical heart valve(s) who meets Medicare coverage criteria. Includes provision of materials for use in the home and reporting of test results to physician; per 4 tests.	0708	S	7/01/02
G0250	Physician review/interpretation and patient management of home INR test for patient with mechanical heart valve(s) who meets other coverage criteria; per 4 tests (does not require face-to-face service).	N/A	E	7/01/02
G0AAA	PET imaging for initial diagnosis of breast cancer and/or surgical planning for breast cancer (for example, initial staging of axillary lymph nodes), not covered by Medicare..	N/A	E	10/01/02
G0BBB	PET imaging for breast cancer, full and partial-ring PET scanners only, staging/restaging after or prior to course of treatment.	0285	S	10/01/02
G0CCC	PET imaging for breast cancer, full and partial-ring PET scanners only, evaluation of response to treatment, performed during course of treatment.	0285	S	10/01/02
G0DDD	Current Perception Threshold/Sensory Nerve Conduction Test, (SNCT) per limb, any nerve..	N/A	E	10/01/02
G0EEE	Intravenous infusion(s) during separately payable observation stay, Per observation stay (must be reported with G0244).	0340	X	10/01/02
G0FFF	Bone marrow aspiration and biopsy performed through a single incision during a single session.	0003	T	1/01/03
G0GGG	Unscheduled or emergency treatment for dialysis for ESRD patient in the outpatient department of a hospital that does not have a certified ESRD facility.	0170	S	1/01/03
G0HHH	Injection procedure for sacroiliac joint; arthrography	N/A	N	1/01/03
G0JJJ	Injection procedure for sacroiliac joint; provision of anesthetic, steroid, and/or other therapeutic agent.	0204	T	1/01/03
G0KKK	Prostate brachytherapy, including transperineal placement of needles or catheters into the prostate, cystoscopy, and interstitial radiation source application..	0684	T	1/01/03
G0LLL	Initial nursing assessment of patient directly admitted to observation with diagnosis of congestive heart failure, chest pain or asthma..	N	N	1/01/03
G0MMM	Initial nursing assessment of patient directly admitted to observation with diagnosis other than congestive heart failure, chest pain or asthma..	0706	S	1/01/03
G0NNN	Transcatheter placement of a drug eluting intracoronary stent(s), percutaneous, with or without other therapeutic intervention, any method; single vessel..	0656	T	01/01/03
G0OOO	Transcatheter placement of a drug eluting intracoronary stent(s), percutaneous, with or without other therapeutic intervention, any method; each additional vessel..	0656	T	01/01/03

HCPCS Codes Created During CY 2002

The G codes G0245 through G0250 were created to implement payment for newly covered Medicare services due to national coverage determinations. The G codes G0AAA–G0DDD will be established October 1, 2002 as a result of national coverage policies that will be effective October 1, 2002. These codes were created to accurately describe the services covered, to ensure they were reported correctly, to track their utilization, and to establish payment. We solicit comments on the APC assignment of these services. The codes describing evaluation and management services were assigned to clinic visit APCs containing similar services, and the codes describing procedural services were assigned to new technology APCs or to APCs containing procedures requiring similar resource consumption. Because G0250 is a professional service furnished by a physician, it is not payable under OPPS.

We expect to implement HCPCS code G0EEE (Intravenous Infusion(s) During Separately Payable Observation Stay) effective October 1, 2002 to describe infusion therapy given during a separately payable observation stay. This code is discussed in detail in section VIII.B of this proposed rule. We have assigned it to APC 0340. We believe APC 0340 appropriately accounts for the resources used for infusion during observation. This is because we believe that Q0081, which represents the same service as G0EEE, is typically billed with an APC that has a higher relative weight, therefore making APC 0120 payable at 50 percent of its payment rate.

HCPCS Codes Proposed in This Rule for January 1, 2003

We are proposing the creation of several new HCPCS codes for 2003 in order to address issues that have come to our attention, to describe new technology procedures, to implement policy proposals discussed in this rule, and to allow more appropriate reporting of procedures currently described by CPT (HCPCS Level I) codes.

(1) G0FFF—Bone Marrow Aspiration and Biopsy Services—we are proposing to create this code to describe bone marrow aspiration and biopsy performed through the same incision. We propose to place this code in APC 0003. This code also appears in the proposed rule for the physician fee schedule, published in the June 28, 2002 issue of the **Federal Register** (67

FR 43846). This code would facilitate proper reporting of this procedure.

(2) G0GGG—Unscheduled and Emergency Treatment for ESRD Patients—we are proposing this code in order to facilitate payment for dialysis provided to ESRD patients in the outpatient department of a hospital that does not have a certified ESRD facility. This code is described in detail in section VIII.G of this proposed rule.

(3) G0HHH and G0JJJ—Sacroiliac Joint Injections—we are proposing to create these two codes to replace CPT code 27096, Injection procedure for sacroiliac joint, arthrography and/or anesthetic steroid. CPT code 27096 describes two distinct procedures requiring different resource consumption. Moreover, our policy of packaging injection procedures required packaging of this procedure even when it was used to report injection of a steroid or anesthetic. In these cases, it was appropriately billed without another procedure and should have been payable. Therefore, in order to facilitate appropriate reporting and payment for the procedures described by CPT code 27096, we propose to create G0HHH, Injection procedure for sacroiliac joint, arthrography, and G0JJJ, Injection procedure for sacroiliac joint, provision of anesthetic and/or steroid. G0HHH would be given status indicator N, and G0JJJ would be assigned to APC 0204.

(4) G0KKK—Prostate Brachytherapy—we are proposing this code to implement our policy decision discussed in section III.C.3 of this proposed rule.

(5) G0LLL and G0MMM—Observation Care—we are proposing to create these codes to describe observation care provided to a patient who is directly admitted from a physician's office to a hospital for observation care. These codes are discussed in detail in section VIII.B of this rule.

(6) G0NNN, G0OOO; Drug Eluting Stents—

Drug-Eluting Stents

Drug-eluting coronary artery stents (referred to as ''drug-eluting stents'' in the discussion that follows) have been developed to combat the problem of restenosis of blood vessels previously treated for stenosis. The drug is coated on a stent with a special polymer, and after the stent is placed in the vessel, the drug is slowly released into the vessel wall tissue over a period of 30 to 45 days. The drug coating on the stent is intended to prevent the build-up of scar tissue that can narrow the reopened artery. The FDA has not yet approved this technology for general use. We understand the earliest date that a decision from the FDA is anticipated is late 2002.

We received an application to establish a new medical device category eligible for transitional pass-through payment under the OPPS for drug-eluting stents from a manufacturer of these stents. In the application for the new device category, the manufacturer asserts that drug-eluting stents meet the criteria for establishing a new device category that were set forth in the November 2, 2001 **Federal Register**. Specifically, the manufacturer believes a new device category is appropriate because drug-eluting stents meet the cost significance thresholds for a new device category, and they provide substantial therapeutic benefit to Medicare beneficiaries compared to other available therapies for coronary atherosclerosis.

Based on our review of the application as well as other information pertaining to drug-eluting stents, we determined that drug-eluting stents are described by an existing pass-through device category. As we discuss in section III.D of this preamble, section 1833(t)(6)(B)(ii)(IV) of the Act requires that a new category must include medical devices for which no existing category, or one previously in effect, is appropriate. In the program memorandum that we issued to our contractors on March 22, 2001 (Transmittal A–01–41) with instructions for the implementation of category codes for use in making transitional pass-through payments for devices, we established two categories that describe and could be used to bill for drug-eluting stents: HCPCS code C1874, Stent, coated/covered, with delivery system, and HCPCS code C1875, Stent, coated/covered, without delivery system. These two categories were based on devices that previously qualified for transitional pass-through payment on an item-specific basis. Although these two device categories are among those that will sunset after December 31, 2002, as we discuss in section III.C of this preamble, the fact that they exist precludes the establishment of a new device category for drug-eluting stents.

Payment for drug-eluting stents is not allowed under the OPPS until they receive FDA approval for general use. If the drug-eluting stents are approved for general use by the FDA, payment would be packaged into the APC payment for the procedures with which the stents are used. The cost of drug-eluting stents would be incorporated within the APC relative payment weights when we recalibrate the payment weights in CY 2005 using CY 2003 claims data.

In considering how we would pay for drug eluting stents under OPPS we thought carefully about how the payment should relate to payment for these stents under IPPS. Section 533 of BIPA added sections 1886(d)(5)(K) and (d)(5)(L) to the Act (as implemented by § 42 CFR 412.87 and 412.88) to reduce the time needed under the hospital inpatient PPS for the DRG system to recognize the higher costs of new technologies that meet certain criteria. Drug-eluting stents did not meet the inpatient PPS new technology cost threshold criterion in the May 9, 2002 proposed rule to update the hospital inpatient PPS for FY 2003. Therefore, in that proposed rule, we listed a new ICD–9 procedure code 36.07 (Insertion of drug-eluting coronary artery stent(s)) that would be effective for use October 1, 2002. We also proposed to add ICD–9 code 00.55 (Insertion of drug-eluting noncoronary artery stent) (67 FR 31630). To be consistent with our prior practice of assigning new technology to the same DRGs to which its predecessor technologies were assigned, we proposed in the May 9 inpatient PPS proposed rule to assign inpatient cases involving ICD–9 code 36.07 to DRG 517 (Percutaneous Cardiovascular Procedure with Coronary Artery Stent without AMI).

However, comments to the May 9, 2002 proposed IPPS rule and our own further consideration of this issue persuaded us that a different approach was needed for the IPPS given the preliminary evidence that drug-eluting stents could prove potentially to be transformational technology in the treatment of coronary artery disease. While this technology is not yet approved for general use by FDA, commenters to the May 9 hospital inpatient PPS proposed rule reported that drug-eluting stents have shown promise to significantly advance the treatment of coronary artery disease, and they encouraged CMS to consider the available data to determine the most appropriate DRG payment. Commenters supported reassignment of the new procedure codes for drug-eluting stent insertions to higher paying DRGs or, if necessary, the modification of all affected DRGs, once verifiable data on the costs associated with drug-eluting stents become available.

Many of the commenters who supported higher payment under the inpatient PPS for this technology were clinical practitioners and hospitals, who expressed great anticipation for the potential benefits of this technology. In addition, commenters referred to the likelihood that, once approved, patients would demand to have these new drug-

eluting stents, putting tremendous financial strain on hospitals.

Commenters to the proposed rule for the inpatient PPS for FY 2003 also argued there should be long-term cost savings to the Medicare program and the health system generally from this technology after approval by the FDA. Specifically, if dramatically fewer patients require restenting, savings will result from fewer repeat angioplasty procedures. And, to the extent bypass surgeries are reduced, savings would result from that outcome as well.

In responding to these commenters in the inpatient final rule published in the **Federal Register** on August 1, 2002 (67 FR 50003), we noted that, although the FDA has not yet approved this technology for general use, public presentation of the results from recent clinical trials have found virtually no in-stent restenosis in patients treated with the drug-eluting stent. Therefore, we recognize the potentially significant impact this technology may conceivably have on the treatment of coronary artery blockages.

We are concerned that, if the FDA does approve this technology and the predictions of its rapid, widespread use are accurate, significant strain on hospital financial resources would result. In particular, we are concerned that the higher costs of this technology would create undue financial hardships for hospitals due to the high volume of stent cases and the fact that a large proportion of these cases could involve the new technology soon after FDA approval. Therefore, in the final rule for the FY 2003 inpatient PPS, we implemented an unprecedented approach in response to the unique circumstances surrounding the potential breakthrough nature of this technology and we created two new DRGs to reflect cases involving the insertion of a drug-eluting coronary artery stent. We discuss in detail in the final inpatient PPS rule our rationale for establishing these DRGs (67 FR 50003–50005).

Although the clinical trials for drug-eluting stents are being conducted on hospital inpatients, our 2001 hospital outpatient claims data included nearly 18,000 claims for procedures utilizing other types of coronary stents in the hospital outpatient setting. Every indication points to a steady increase in the future volume of coronary stent procedures performed on an outpatient basis. The same concerns that we express above about the impact of the advent of drug-eluting stents on hospital resources apply to procedures performed in the outpatient setting as well as the inpatient setting. We created these new DRGs for drug-eluting stents to ensure and promote beneficiary access to the best care possible by ensuring that our payment system keeps pace with what we believe will be a growing volume of coronary stent procedures if FDA approves drug-eluting coronary artery stents. We want to ensure that the costs of drug-eluting stents will be recognized sufficiently quickly to ensure beneficiary access in the outpatient setting over the 2 years that it will take for the costs of these devices to appear in the Medicare data on which we will base Medicare payments for them.

Drug-eluting stents may have been commercially marketed for 2 years by the time cost data for stent insertion procedures performed in CY 2003 are incorporated into the APC relative weights under the OPPS for CY 2005. Therefore, as we have done under the inpatient PPS for FY 2003 under these exceptional circumstances, we propose to deviate from our standard OPPS payment methodology to ensure consistent payment for drug-eluting stents in both the inpatient and outpatient settings; to ensure that hospital resources are not negatively affected by a sudden surge in demand for this new technology if FDA approval is received; and, to ensure that Medicare payment does not impede beneficiary access to what appears to be a potentially landmark advance in the treatment of coronary disease. Consistent with the special approach we implemented in the inpatient PPS final rule, we propose to create two new HCPCS codes and a new APC that may be used to pay for the insertion of coronary artery drug-eluting stents under the OPPS, to be effective if these stents receive FDA approval for general use. Of course, as with other new procedures, FDA approval does not mean that Medicare will always cover the approved item. Medicare coverage depends upon whether an item or service is medically necessary to treat illness or injury as determined by Medicare contractors based on the specifics of individual cases.

The new HCPCS codes that we propose are as follows: G0NNN—Transcatheter placement of a drug eluting intracoronary stent(s), percutaneous, with or without other therapeutic intervention, any method; single vessel G0OOO—Transcatheter placement of a drug eluting intracoronary stent(s), percutaneous, with or without other therapeutic intervention, any method; each additional vessel.

We propose to assign G0NNN and G0OOO to new APC 0656, Transcatheter Placement of Drug-Eluting Coronary Stents, with a status indicator of T.

To establish a payment amount for the proposed new APC, we propose to apply the same assumptions that we used in establishing the weights for DRG 526 (Percutaneous Cardiovascular Procedure with Drug-Eluting Stent with AMI) and DRG 527 (Percutaneous Cardiovascular Procedure With Drug-Eluting Stent Without AMI) as described in the final rule implementing the FY 2003 inpatient PPS. That is, based on prices in countries where drug-eluting stents are currently being used, manufacturer information and information furnished in response to the May 9, 2002 IPPS proposed rule, and the average price of currently available stents, we assume a price differential of approximately $1,200. Using an average of 1.5 stents per procedure, we propose to add $1,200 to the median costs established for APC 0104 based on 2001 claims data. We would then calculate a relative payment weight and payment rate for APC 0656 in accordance with the methodology that we discuss in section II.B. of this preamble. By taking this approach, we believe that payment for drug-eluting stents would be balanced between the OPPS and the inpatient PPS, minimizing the incentive to use payment as the basis for determining where to furnish this new technology.

We are taking the extraordinary temporary measure of establishing this APC and pricing it as we propose only because we have been advised by experts that these stents can be expected to revolutionize the provision of coronary care and can be expected to supplant use of existing stents. While the statute contemplates the difficulties of setting OPPS payments for new devices by providing the transitional pass-through mechanism, that mechanism does not work in this circumstance since these devices fall into a previously existing device category and do not meet the test for inclusion in new technology APCs. However, the law permits us to take into account changes in technology and the addition of new factors (See section 1833(t)(9)(A)) of the Act. In this case, we think the impact of this new technology will be so great compared to other new technologies that, to ensure beneficiary access to state-of-the-art medical care, we believe that we need to create new codes and a separate APC, paid based on the best information currently available, to ensure adequate payment to providers and access to care during the first 2 years of the device's existence. To undertake this methodology in other cases, we would

have to be similarly convinced that the technology would not qualify for pass-through payment nor new technology APC payment, that it will revolutionize the provision of care and that it will replace an existing technology. As indicated previously, this payment mechanism would be a temporary one that would exist only until 2005, at which point we would have sufficient data to determine how to pay for these devices under the standard OPPS methodology for setting payment amounts.

We propose to implement payment under APC 0656 effective April 1, 2003, consistent with the effective date for implementation of the drug-eluting DRGs under the OPPS and contingent upon FDA approval by that date. If the FDA grants approval prior to April 1, 2003, hospitals would be paid for insertion of coronary artery drug-eluting stents under APC 104.

We are proposing to establish the new HCPCS codes and APC group for coronary artery drug-eluting stents to allow close tracking of the utilization and costs associated with these services. Once we obtain adequate cost data for coronary artery drug-eluting stents, we propose to incorporate these data into the current CPT codes for coronary stent placement. We invite comments on this proposed methodology for recognizing the additional costs of drug-eluting stents under the OPPS.

It is important to emphasize that we anticipate that the vast majority of new technologies in the future will continue to be routinely incorporated into the existing DRGs or through the new technology add-on payments under the inpatient PPS. Similarly, we expect in the future to continue to make payment under the OPPS for the vast majority of new technologies through the existing provisions for transitional pass-through payments for new devices, drugs, and biologicals and through new technology APCs.

4. Recalibration of APC Weights for 2003

Section 1833(t)(9)(A) of the Act requires that the Secretary review and revise the relative payment weights for APCs at least annually, beginning in 2001 for application in 2002. In the April 7, 2000 final rule (65 FR 18482), we explained in detail how we calculated the relative payment weights that were implemented on August 1, 2000 for each APC group. Except for some reweighting due to APC changes, these relative weights continued to be in effect for 2001. (See the November 13, 2000 interim final rule (65 FR 67824 to 67827).)

To recalibrate the relative APC weights for services furnished on or after January 1, 2003 and before January 1, 2004, we are proposing to use the same basic methodology that we described in the April 7, 2000 final rule. That is, we would recalibrate the weights based on claims and cost report data for outpatient services. We propose to use the most recent available data to construct the database for calculating APC group weights. For the purpose of recalibrating APC relative weights for 2003, the most recent available claims data are the approximately 110 million final action claims for hospital outpatient department services furnished on or after January 1, 2001 and before January 1, 2002 and processed through March 2002. Many of these 110 million claims were for services that are not paid under OPPS (such as, clinical laboratory tests). We matched the claims that are paid under OPPS to the most recent cost report filed by the individual hospitals represented in our claims data. The APC relative weights would continue to be based on the median hospital costs for services in the APC groups.

a. Data Issues

(1) Treatment of ''Multiple Procedure'' Claims

We have received many requests (through an April Town Hall meeting and other sources of contact with the public) asking that we ensure that the data from claims that contain charges for multiple procedures are included in the data from which we calculate the 2003 relative payment weights. They believe that relying solely on single procedure claims to recalibrate APC weights fails to take into account data for many frequently performed procedures, particularly those commonly performed in combination with other procedures.

We agree that optimally, it is desirable to use the data from as many claims as possible to recalibrate the relative payment weights, including those with multiple procedures. We identified certain multiple procedure claims that could be treated as single procedure claims, enabling us to greatly increase the number of services used to develop the APC payment weights for 2003. However, several inherent features of multiple bill claims prevented us from using all of them to recalibrate the payment weights. We discuss these obstacles below.

There are four scenarios that occur when multiple procedures are billed on a claim that result in our being unable to use all of those claims to recalibrate the APC weights. In each case, the underlying problem is that there are charges on the claim that we are unable to correctly associate with the HCPCS codes for the procedures on the claim (that is, payable HCPCS codes). In general, we are unable to determine with confidence what portion of those charges should be packaged into the charges for each of the procedures on the claim. The different scenarios that we describe below may occur singly or in combination on the same claim.

In the first scenario, costs associated with outpatient hospital services are reported in revenue centers that cannot be associated with individual HCPCS codes because they are ancillary and supportive of some or all services furnished to the beneficiary. We do not require that hospitals assign a HCPCS code to each revenue center and charge or that they split the charges within revenue centers by HCPCS code because they advise us that they are unable to account for costs in this manner. In addition, to collect and report this information would be burdensome and costly.

Where there is only one HCPCS code for a procedure on the claim, we can assign supporting charges in revenue centers to the single HCPCS code. However, when there are two or more HCPCS codes for procedures on the claim, we have no basis for allocating appropriately the ancillary charges reported under revenue centers to the HCPCS codes for separately payable procedures. For example, a claim containing HCPCS codes for a visit and a surgical procedure may show charges under the revenue center for family clinic (517) for the visit and under operating room (360) for the surgery. But in addition, the claim could show charges under the following revenue centers without assigning a HCPCS code to the revenue center: recovery room (710), charge A for sterile supplies (272), charge B for sterile supplies (272), anesthesia (370), and pharmacy (250). If only a single HCPCS code was billed, we could sum the charges shown under the ancillary revenue centers and attribute those charges to the HCPCS code for the single HCPCS code that was billed. However, because there is more than one separately payable code on the claim (clinic visit and surgery), we do not know which charge for sterile supplies should be mapped to the visit and which should be assigned to the surgery. Similarly, there is nothing on the claim to indicate whether the total pharmacy charge is associated with the surgery or with the clinic visit, or split between them. For this type of multiple procedure claim, we have chosen to

exclude the claim from the pool of charges used to calculate median APC costs rather than risk assigning the ancillary revenue center charges incorrectly. This type of multiple procedure claim, often much more complex than this example, accounts for a significant portion of the multiple procedure claims that we are unable to use to recalibrate payment weights.

In the second scenario, we are unable to correctly assign to procedures the charges for HCPCS codes that we package into other procedures. HCPCS codes with status indicator ''N'' are not paid separately. Rather, the payment for these packaged items or services is recognized in the payment for a service or services billed on the same claim for which there is an APC payment rate. In calculating the median costs, we have to know where to incorporate the charges shown for the HCPCS code with status indicator ''N.'' When a packaged HCPCS codes is on a claim that also bills for more than one primary procedure (that is, procedures for which we make separate payment), we do not know with which of the procedures the charges for the packaged HCPCS code should be associated, or whether the charges for the packaged HCPCS code should be apportioned on some basis among the multiple primary procedures.

In the third scenario, in the case of multiple surgical procedures, our billing instructions permit hospitals to show charges for only one surgical procedure code although they report more than one surgical HCPCS code. Specifically, this billing convention has long been permitted in Medicare Intermediary Manual section 3626.4B3 and was reconfirmed by Medicare Transmittal A–01–50, which was issued on April 12, 2001 *(http://www.hcfa.gov/pubforms/transmit/A0150.pdf)* in response to hospital requests that we clarify whether they were required to create and report charges for each HCPCS code for each surgical service billed on a claim. We believe that to report charges for each HCPCS code for surgical services would have imposed an additional accounting and billing burden on hospitals that had not previously existed. This would have been in addition to the changes to the claims format and instructions that hospitals had recently made to accommodate OPPS and our other initiatives. As in the case of the ancillary services billed under revenue centers, the charges for each HCPCS code for the surgery were not needed to ensure that correct payment was made on the claim (since payment was made based on the code's APC assignment and not on reported charges).

However, because hospitals are permitted to report operating room charges for only one of the multiple surgical procedures on a claim, we are unable to identify a valid means of apportioning the operating room charges to the other procedures that were performed. We are not aware of any research on comparative hospital outpatient department (OPD) resource consumption by HCPCS codes that would indicate how to apportion a total charge among the individual codes on the claim. Moreover, these multiple surgical procedure claims frequently have problems similar to those discussed above in scenario one. Therefore, we are unable to use data from multiple surgery claims that are submitted in this form to calculate APC median costs.

In the fourth scenario are claims with multiple units of the same HCPCS code billed with charges in revenue centers or packaged HCPCS codes. In this case, we cannot determine the appropriate distribution of charges on the claim between the first and subsequent units of the HCPCS code. To approximate the charges that would occur if single rather than multiple units of the HCPCS code were billed, we would have to inflate the charges for the second and subsequent units of the service, which would eliminate the impact of the efficiencies that we believe occur when second and subsequent units of a procedure are performed. There are no data to suggest an appropriate factor to apportion charges for the second and subsequent units.

We considered several methods of apportioning charges from revenue centers and packaged HCPCS codes to enable us to use charge data from multiple procedure claims in the calculation of APC weights, but none of these methods was sufficient to yield cost data that we could be assured were valid. Specifically, we considered dividing the total charges in a revenue center or for a packaged HCPCS code by the number of payable HCPCS codes for multiple procedures on the claim. In the example of a claim for a visit code and a surgical code with the revenue center for sterile supplies billed twice on the same claim, we would sum the charges for sterile supplies, divide the sum by 2, and add the resulting divided charges for sterile supplies to the charges for each HCPCS code. The single pharmacy charge would be divided by 2, and half of the pharmacy charge would be added to each HCPCS code. We rejected this approach because of concern about whether it is likely to be sufficiently accurate to serve as a reasonable means of apportioning charges.

We also considered apportioning the charges among the codes based on physician work relative value units (RVUs) because time is a major factor in the establishment of physician work RVUs under the Medicare fee schedule for physician services. Time may be reflective of the comparative amount of resources used by the hospital for different surgical procedures, particularly charges for operating rooms, recovery rooms, and observation rooms. However, physician work RVUs also depend in part on the intensity and difficulty of the work of a physician in providing a service and would therefore not necessarily reflect accurately the relative resources a hospital would expend for the same procedure. Moreover, we do not believe that time appropriately reflects the use of resources such as pharmacy and supplies.

We then considered apportioning the charges among the codes based on physician nonfacility practice expense RVUs because practice expense RVUs reflect relative resource utilization for these services. However, we have no evidence that the relative practice expenses of physicians correlate with the resources that a hospital would use for the same service. Moreover, physician practice expenses are minimal for the many services typically furnished in a facility rather than the physician's office. For these services, the practice expense RVU reflects only minimal expenses for services, such as the physician's billing costs. They are, therefore, an inadequate proxy for the facility costs, such as supplies, drugs, equipment, nursing services, and overhead costs incurred by hospitals.

In summary, we concluded that the inherent drawbacks of these methodologies would outweigh any potential advantages accrued from the resulting increase in data used to calculate APC median costs. Without evidence to the contrary, we believe that applying these arbitrary methods of apportioning costs to multiple procedure claims would yield results that are less reliable and valid than continuing to rely on single procedure claims in calculating APC median costs.

We solicit public comment on the methods we considered for apportioning the total charges to individual HCPCS codes as described above. We also invite suggestions of other alternative means of apportioning the total costs on multiple procedure claims to the HCPCS codes for the procedures so that we can use more data from multiple procedure claims in the 2004 update of the OPPS.

We also solicit information on existing studies that would provide

comparative hospital outpatient resource inputs by HCPCS code. In addition, we welcome suggestions for studies that we might undertake either to determine the relative value of OPD resources by HCPCS code or to provide a valid means of apportioning the charges among HCPCS codes when multiple surgical procedures are billed on the same claim with a single total charge for all services.

Further, we ask for comments on the feasibility of requiring hospitals to apportion all charges currently shown in revenue centers to the HCPCS codes billed so that we could use all multiple services claims in the calculation of the relative weights. For example, where the patient received multiple surgeries on the same day or received a visit and a procedure on the same day, the hospital would have to create a charge for each billable HCPCS code and that charge would have to encompass all charges for OR, recovery room, pharmacy, supplies, etc. that were relevant to that code. No charges would be billed under revenue centers alone or with packaged HCPCS codes (that is, HCPCS codes having a status indicator of N) since all charges would be reported under associated payable HCPCS codes. There would have to be corollary changes in completion of the cost report. Also, because hospitals must have a uniform charge structure, providers would need to charge all other payers and private pay patients in the same manner as they would be required to charge Medicare.

We are particularly interested in the views of hospitals and billing experts weighing the burden that could be created by these changes in billing rules relative to the potential benefit of calculating more precise OPPS payment rates that incorporate data from multiple procedure claims.

Finally, we solicit information regarding the extent to which efficiencies are realized when multiple services are furnished during the same visit or operative session. We currently discount the APC payment for the second and subsequent procedures performed during a single encounter by 50 percent in the expectation that the same efficiencies of service that are demonstrated to exist in the provision of physician services also exist in the provision of outpatient hospital services. In general, when a second or subsequent service is performed at the same time as an initial service, we believe that the combined resource costs associated with operating room time, recovery room time, anesthesia, supplies, and other services are less than if the procedures were performed separately. However, we are interested in empirical data regarding the extent to which these efficiencies of resource consumption actually occur.

(2) Calendar Year 2002 Charge Data for Pass-Through Device Categories

HCPCS coding for medical devices that qualified for transitional pass-through payment for services furnished in 2001 occurred in two different ways. (A detailed discussion of the provisions authorizing transitional pass-through payments for certain medical devices and drugs and biologicals can be found in section III of this preamble.) From August 1, 2000 until April 1, 2001, claims for medical devices that were paid on a pass-through basis were coded using device specific codes that were often manufacturer specific. BBRA required that, effective April 1, 2001, claims for medical devices eligible for transitional pass-through payment were to be billed using codes that applied to categories of devices. We issued the applicable category codes in Program Memoranda, Transmittals A–01–40 and A–01–41. We posted them on our web site at *http://www.hcfa.gov/pubforms/transmit/A0140.pdf* and *http://www.hcfa.gov/pubforms/transmit/A0141.pdf,* respectively. The change to the use of category codes, rather than device specific codes, simplified coding and also expanded the number of devices that were eligible for transitional pass-through payment. The expansion occurred because devices that fit the categories but that had previously not met the criteria for transitional pass-through payments could now be billed for a transitional pass-through payment.

Moreover, in recognition of the impact of the change on hospital billing and in recognition of the short time between the passage of legislation (December 14, 2000) and the effective date for the new codes (April 1, 2001), we gave hospitals a 90-day grace period during which they could bill using either the device specific codes they had previously been using or the new category codes. For this reason, only services furnished on or after July 1, 2001 were required to be billed using the new device category codes.

We have been advised that during the period in which the 2001 OPPS was in effect, hospitals may not have billed properly for devices eligible for transitional pass-through payments. We understand that the changes in billing format and systems for implementation of the OPPS compounded the problems of billing using the device specific codes during the first 9 months of the OPPS. We have been informed that these problems were further compounded by the creation and requirement to use category codes on and after April 1, 2001. In general, we have been advised that hospitals may have been underpaid for transitional pass-through devices (because they did not bill separately for them and therefore did not get the pass-through payment) and that our data will not correctly show the charges associated with the devices (because the devices were not coded with device category codes on the claim).

We agree that where hospitals failed to show the code for the transitional pass-through device (whether the device specific code or the category code as applicable), they will not have received payment for the device as a transitional pass-through device. For many years, there have been processes in place for hospitals to submit adjustment bills so they can receive payment for all applicable services they furnished if they subsequently determine that their original bills were deficient. Notwithstanding, there is no method by which we can infer a charge on a claim for a service that is not billed by the hospital.

Regarding the impact of the absence of coding for devices on the data from claims submitted for July 2001 and later, we looked at the claims data for a sample of services for which we thought there should have been a device category billed because of the nature of the procedure (for example, insertion of a pacemaker). We found that there were many instances when a device category code was not billed when we would have expected it. However, we found that when we summed the charges for revenue centers with the charges for the procedure on claims where no category code was reported and compared those totals with the sum of charges from claims where both a device category code and the associated procedure code were billed, the results were very similar. From this analysis, we conclude that in many cases, particularly during the first half of the calendar year, hospitals included charges for transitional pass-through devices in the revenue center for supplies. Therefore, we believe cost data for transitional pass-through devices are contained in the charges of most claims, even where they are not separately identified by the code for the device category, which should have been reported.

We believe that this absence of category codes in the claims data and our data analysis, and the issues surrounding multiple procedure claims argue strongly for packaging the cost of these devices into the payment for the procedures with which they were used and to then create weights for

procedures for the 2003 OPPS. Incorrect device coding could lead to skewed weights for the retired transitional pass-through devices, if we were to establish individual APCs for the expired device categories.

We believe that packaging the charges billed under the revenue centers into the charges for the procedures before setting the weights for the APCs will allow us to capture all of the cost data for services in which devices were used which will result in the most valid payment for the APC. This approach assures that the payment rate for the procedure includes accurate payment for the devices used in the procedure. Further discussion of our proposal to package payment for sunsetting transitional pass-through devices is contained in section III.C of this preamble.

b. Description of How Weights Were Calculated for 2003

The methodology we followed to calculate the APC relative payment weights proposed for CY 2003 is as follows:

• We excluded from the data approximately 15 million claims for those bill and claim types that would not be paid under the OPPS (for example, bill type 72X for dialysis services for patients with end-stage renal disease (ESRD)).

• Using the most recent available cost report from each hospital, we converted billed charges to costs and aggregated them to the procedure or visit level first by identifying the cost-to-charge ratio specific to each hospital's cost centers (''cost center specific cost-to-charge ratios'' or CCRs) and then by matching the CCRs to revenue centers used on the hospital's 2001 outpatient bills. The CCRs include operating and capital costs but exclude items paid on a reasonable cost basis.

• We eliminated from the hospital CCR data 301 hospitals that we identified as having reported charges on their cost reports that were not actual charges (for example, a uniform charge applied to all services).

• We calculated the geometric mean of the total operating CCRs of hospitals remaining in the CCR data. We removed from the CCR data 67 hospitals whose total operating CCR exceeded the geometric mean by more than 3 standard deviations.

• We excluded from our data approximately 3 million claims submitted by the hospitals that we removed or trimmed from the hospital CCR data.

• We eliminated 1.2 million claims from hospitals located in Maryland, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

• We matched revenue centers from the remaining universe of approximately 92.2 million claims to CCRs hospitals.

• We separated the 92.2 million claims that we had matched with a cost report into the following three distinct groups: (1) single-procedure claims, (2) multiple-procedure claims, and (3) claims on which we could not identify at least one OPPS covered service. Single-procedure claims are those that include only one HCPCS code (other than laboratory and incidentals such as packaged drugs and venipuncture) that could be grouped to an APC. Multiple-procedure claims include more than one HCPCS code that could be mapped to an APC. Dividing the claims in this manner yielded approximately 30.4 million single-procedure claims and 20.1 million multiple-procedure claims. Approximately 41.5 million claims without at least one covered OPPS service were set aside.

We converted 10.7 million multiple-procedure claims to single-procedure claims using the following criteria: (1) If a multiple-procedure claim contained lines with a HCPCS code in the pathology series (that is, CPT 80000 series of codes), we treated each of those lines as a single claim. (2) For multiple procedure claims with a packaged HCPCS code (status indicator ''N'') on the claim, we ignored line items for chest X-rays (HCPCS codes 71010 and/ or 71020) and/or EKGs (HCPCS code 93005) on these claims. If only one procedure (other than HCPCS codes 71010, 71020, and 93005) existed on the claim, we treated it as a single-procedure claim. (3) If the claim had no packaged HCPCS codes and if there were no packaged revenue centers on the claim, we treated each line with a procedure as a single claim if the line item was billed as a single unit. (4) If the claim had no packaged HCPCS codes on the claim but had packaged revenue centers for the procedure, we ignored the line item for chest X-rays and/or EKG codes (as identified above) and if only one HCPCS code remained, we treated the claim as a single procedure claim. We created an additional 31.3 million single-procedure bills through this process, which enabled us to use these data from multiple-procedure claims in calculation of the APC relative payment weights.

• To calculate median costs for services within an APC, we used only single-procedure bills and those multiple procedure bills that we converted into single claims. If a claim had a single code with a zero charge (that would have been considered a single-procedure claim), we did not use it. As we discussed in section II.B.4.a.(1) of this preamble, we did not use multiple-procedure claims that billed more than one separately payable HCPCS code with charges for packaged items and services such as anesthesia, recovery room, or supplies that could not be reliably allocated or apportioned among the primary HCPCS codes on the claim. We have not yet developed what we regard as an acceptable method of using multiple-procedure bills to recalibrate APC weights that minimizes the risk of improperly assigning charges to the wrong procedure or visit.

• For each single-procedure claim, we calculated a cost for every billed line item charge by multiplying each revenue center charge by the appropriate hospital-specific CCR. If an appropriate cost center did not exist for a given hospital, we crosswalked the revenue center to a secondary cost center when possible, or used the hospital's overall cost-to-charge ratio for outpatient department services. We excluded from this calculation all charges associated with HCPCS codes previously defined as not paid under the OPPS (for example, laboratory, ambulance, and therapy services). We included all charges associated with HCPCS codes that are designated as packaged services (that is, HCPCS codes with the status indicator of ''N'').

• To calculate per-service costs, we used the charges shown in revenue centers that contained items integral to performing the service. We observed the packaging provisions set forth in the April 7, 2000 final rule with comment period that were in effect during 2001 (65 FR 18484). For instance, in calculating the cost of a surgical procedure, we included charges for the operating room, treatment rooms, recovery, observation, medical and surgical supplies, pharmacy, anesthesia, casts and splints, and donor tissue, bone, and organs. To determine medical visit costs, we included charges for items such as medical and surgical supplies, drugs, and observation in those instances where they are still packaged. Table 5 lists packaged services by revenue center that we are proposing to use to calculate per-service costs for outpatient services furnished in 2003.

TABLE 5.—PACKAGED SERVICES BY REVENUE CODE

Revenue code	Description
Surgery	
250	PHARMACY
251	GENERIC
252	NONGENERIC
257	NONPRESCRIPTION DRUGS
258	IV SOLUTIONS
259	OTHER PHARMACY
260	IV THERAPY, GENERAL CLASS
262	IV THERAPY/PHARMACY SERVICES
263	IV THERAPY/DRUG SUPPLY/DELIVERY
264	IV THERAPY/SUPPLIES
269	OTHER IV THERAPY
270	M&S SUPPLIES
271	NONSTERILE SUPPLIES
272	STERILE SUPPLIES
274	PROSTHETIC/ORTHOTIC DEVICES
275	PACEMAKER DRUG
276	INTRAOCULAR LENS SOURCE DRUG
278	OTHER IMPLANTS
279	OTHER M&S SUPPLIES
280	ONCOLOGY
289	OTHER ONCOLOGY
290	DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT
370	ANESTHESIA
379	OTHER ANESTHESIA
390	BLOOD STORAGE AND PROCESSING
399	OTHER BLOOD STORAGE AND PROCESSING
560	MEDICAL SOCIAL SERVICES
569	OTHER MEDICAL SOCIAL SERVICES
624	INVESTIGATIONAL DEVICE (IDE)
630	DRUGS REQUIRING SPECIFIC IDENTIFICATION, GENERAL CLASS
631	SINGLE SOURCE
632	MULTIPLE
633	RESTRICTIVE PRESCRIPTION
700	CAST ROOM
709	OTHER CAST ROOM
710	RECOVERY ROOM
719	OTHER RECOVERY ROOM
720	LABOR ROOM
721	LABOR
762	OBSERVATION ROOM
810	ORGAN ACQUISITION
819	OTHER ORGAN ACQUISITION
Medical Visit	
250	PHARMACY
251	GENERIC
252	NONGENERIC
257	NONPRESCRIPTION DRUGS
258	IV SOLUTIONS
259	OTHER PHARMACY
270	M&S SUPPLIES
271	NONSTERILE SUPPLIES
272	STERILE SUPPLIES
279	OTHER M&S SUPPLIES
560	MEDICAL SOCIAL SERVICES
569	OTHER MEDICAL SOCIAL SERVICES
630	DRUGS REQUIRING SPECIFIC IDENTIFICATION, GENERAL CLASS
631	SINGLE SOURCE DRUG
632	MULTIPLE SOURCE DRUG
633	RESTRICTIVE PRESCRIPTION
637	SELF-ADMINISTERED DRUG (INSULIN ADMIN. IN EMERGENCY DIABETIC COMA
700	CAST ROOM
709	OTHER CAST ROOM
762	OBSERVATION ROOM
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942	EDUCATION/TRAINING
Other Diagnostic	
254	PHARMACY INCIDENT TO OTHER DIAGNOSTIC
280	ONCOLOGY
289	OTHER ONCOLOGY

TABLE 5.—PACKAGED SERVICES BY REVENUE CODE—Continued

Revenue code	Description
372	ANESTHESIA INCIDENT TO OTHER DIAGNOSTIC
560	MEDICAL SOCIAL SERVICES
569	OTHER MEDICAL SOCIAL SERVICES
622	SUPPLIES INCIDENT TO OTHER DIAGNOSTIC
624	INVESTIGATIONAL DEVICE (IDE)
710	RECOVERY ROOM
719	OTHER RECOVERY ROOM
762	OBSERVATION ROOM
Radiology	
255	PHARMACY INCIDENT TO RADIOLOGY
280	ONCOLOGY
289	OTHER ONCOLOGY
371	ANESTHESIA INCIDENT TO RADIOLOGY
560	MEDICAL SOCIAL SERVICES
569	OTHER MEDICAL SOCIAL SERVICES
621	SUPPLIES INCIDENT TO RADIOLOGY
624	INVESTIGATIONAL DEVICE (IDE)
710	RECOVERY ROOM
719	OTHER RECOVERY ROOM
762	OBSERVATION ROOM
All Other APC Groups	
250	PHARMACY
251	GENERIC
252	NONGENERIC
257	NONPRESCRIPTION DRUGS
258	IV SOLUTIONS
259	OTHER PHARMACY
260	IV THERAPY, GENERAL CLASS
262	IV THERAPY PHARMACY SERVICES
263	IV THERAPY DRUG/SUPPLY/DELIVERY
264	IV THERAPY SUPPLIES
269	OTHER IV THERAPY
270	M&S SUPPLIES
271	NONSTERILE SUPPLIES
272	STERILE SUPPLIES
279	OTHER M&S SUPPLIES
560	MEDICAL SOCIAL SERVICES
569	OTHER MEDICAL SOCIAL SERVICES
630	DRUGS REQUIRING SPECIFIC IDENTIFICATION, GENERAL CLASS
631	SINGLE SOURCE DRUG
632	MULTIPLE SOURCE DRUG
633	RESTRICTIVE PRESCRIPTION
762	OBSERVATION ROOM
942	EDUCATION/TRAINING

- We standardized costs for geographic wage variation by dividing the labor-related portion of the operating and capital costs for each billed item by the proposed FY 2003 hospital inpatient prospective payment system (IPPS) wage index published in the **Federal Register** on May 9, 2002 (67 FR 31602). We used 60 percent to represent our estimate of that portion of costs attributable, on average, to labor. We have used this estimate since the inception of the OPPS and continue to believe that it is appropriate. See 65 FR 18496, the April 7, 2000 final rule for a complete description of how we derived this percentage.
- We summed the standardized labor-related cost and the nonlabor-related cost component for each billed item to derive the total standardized cost for each procedure or medical visit.
- We removed extremely unusual costs that appeared to be errors in the data using a trimming methodology analogous to what we use in calculating the diagnosis-related group (DRG) weights for the hospital IPPS. That is, we eliminated any bills with costs outside of 3 standard deviations from the geometric mean.
- After trimming the procedure and visit level costs, we mapped each procedure or visit cost to its assigned APC, including, to the extent possible, the proposed APC changes described in section II.A of this preamble.
- We calculated the median cost for each APC.
- Using the median APC costs, we calculated the relative payment weights for each APC. As in prior years, we scaled all the relative payment weights to APC 0601, Mid-level clinic visit, because it is one of the most frequently performed services in the hospital outpatient setting. This approach is consistent with that used in developing relative value units for the Medicare physician fee schedule. We assigned APC 0601 a relative payment weight of 1.00 and divided the median cost for each APC by the median cost for APC 0601 to derive the relative payment weight for each APC. Using 2001 data, the median cost for APC 0601 is $56.77.

Section 1833(t)(9)(B) of the Act requires that APC reclassification and recalibration changes and wage index changes be made in a manner that assures that aggregate payments under the OPPS for 2003 are neither greater

than nor less than the aggregate payments that would have been made without the changes. To comply with this requirement concerning the APC changes, we compared aggregate payments using the CY 2002 relative weights to aggregate payments using the CY 2003 proposed weights. Based on this comparison, we are proposing to make an adjustment of 1.04227 to the weights. The weights that we are proposing for 2003, which incorporate the recalibration adjustments explained in this section, are listed in Addendum A and Addendum B.

5. Procedures That Will Be Paid Only As Inpatient Procedures

Before implementation of the OPPS, Medicare paid reasonable costs for services provided in the outpatient department. The claims submitted were subject to medical review by the fiscal intermediaries to determine the appropriateness of providing certain services in the outpatient setting. We did not specify in regulations those services that were appropriate to provide only in the inpatient setting and that, therefore, should be payable only when provided in that setting.

Section 1833(t)(1)(B)(i) of the Act gives the Secretary broad authority to determine the services to be covered and paid for under the OPPS. In the April 7, 2000 final rule, we identified procedures that are typically provided only in an inpatient setting and, therefore, would not be paid by Medicare under the OPPS (65 FR 18455). These procedures comprise what is referred to as the ''inpatient list.'' The inpatient list specifies those services that are only paid when provided in an inpatient setting. These are services that require inpatient care because of the nature of the procedure, the need for at least 24 hours of postoperative recovery time or monitoring before the patient can be safely discharged, or the underlying physical condition of the patient. As we discussed in the April 7, 2000 and the November 30, 2001 final rules, we use the following criteria when reviewing procedures to determine whether or not they should be moved from the inpatient list and assigned to an APC group for payment under the OPPS:

- Most outpatient departments are equipped to provide the services to the Medicare population.
- The simplest procedure described by the code may be performed in most outpatient departments.
- The procedure is related to codes we have already moved off the inpatient list.

We update the inpatient list as often as quarterly through program memoranda to reflect current advances in medical practice. We last updated the inpatient list in the November 30, 2001 final rule. As we discuss in section II.A.2, above, the APC Panel at its January 2002 meeting reviewed certain procedures on the inpatient list for which we had received requests that they be made payable under the OPPS. The Panel recommended that we solicit comments and further information about all these procedures except for CPT code 47001, which they recommended be removed from the inpatient list (see section II.A.2 above for a discussion of this and the other codes that the Panel considered for removal from the inpatient list). These procedures are included in Table 6, with the exception of CPT code 33967, which we are not proposing to pay for under the OPPS for reasons that we explain in section II.A.2.

In preparing this proposed rule to update the OPPS for CY 2003, we compared procedures with status indicator ''C'' (status indicator ''C'' is assigned to inpatient procedures that are not payable under the OPPS) to the list of procedures that are currently on the ambulatory surgical center (ASC) list of approved procedures, to procedures that we proposed to add to the ASC list in a proposed rule published in the **Federal Register** on June 12, 1998 (63 FR 32291), and to procedures recommended for addition to the ASC list by commenters in response to the June 12, 1998 proposed rule. We found that there are procedures on the current ASC list, or procedures proposed for addition to the ASC list, or procedures recommended by commenters for addition to the ASC list that are assigned status indicator ''C'' under the OPPS. A review of 2001 physician claims data also revealed that physicians are performing some of these ''C'' status indicator procedures on Medicare beneficiaries on an outpatient basis. We concluded that it was appropriate to propose removal of procedures from the OPPS inpatient list that are being performed on an outpatient basis and/or that we had determined could be safely and appropriately performed on a Medicare beneficiary in an ASC under the applicable ASC rules that are set forth in 42 CFR 416.22. We believe that our payment policies for surgical procedures provided in an outpatient hospital setting and in the ASC setting should be consistent to the extent possible within the limitations imposed by statutory or regulatory requirements. So, we propose to add the following criteria for use in reviewing procedures to determine whether they should be removed from the inpatient list and assigned to an APC group for payment under the OPPS:

- We have determined that the procedure is being performed in numerous hospitals on an outpatient basis; or
- We have determined that the procedure can be appropriately and safely performed in an ASC and is on the list of approved ASC procedures or proposed by us for addition to the ASC list.

In addition to the procedures considered by the APC Panel for removal from the inpatient list, Table 6 includes the procedures that we are proposing to be removed from the inpatient list for payment under the OPPS. We applied the criteria discussed above in order to be consistent with the ASC list of approved procedures, and with utilization data that indicate the procedures are being performed on an outpatient basis. We solicit comments on whether the procedures in Table 6 should be paid under the OPPS. We also solicit comments on the APC assignment that we propose for these procedures in the event we determine in the final rule, based on comments, that these procedures would be payable under the OPPS in 2003. We ask that commenters recommending reclassification of a procedure to an APC include evidence (preferably from peer-reviewed medical literature) that the procedure is being performed on an outpatient basis in a safe and effective manner.

Following our review of the comments that we receive about the procedures in Table 6, we propose either to assign a CPT code to an APC for payment under the OPPS or, if the comments do not provide sufficient information and data to enable us to make a decision, to present the comments to the APC Panel at its 2003 meeting.

TABLE 6.—PROCEDURES ON THE INPATIENT LIST PROPOSED FOR PAYMENT UNDER THE OPPS IN CY 2003.

CPT code	Proposed status indicator	Proposed APC	Description
21390	T	0256	OPEN TREATMENT OF ORBITAL FLOOR BLOWOUT FRACTURE; PERIORBITAL APPROACH, WITH ALLOPLASTIC OR OTHER IMPLANT.
22100	T	0208	PARTIAL EXCISION OF POSTERIOR VERTEBRAL COMPONENT (EG, SPINOUS PROCESS, LAMINA OR FACET) FOR INTRINSIC BONY LESION, SINGLE VERTEBRAL SEGMENT; CERVICAL.
22101	T	0208	PARTIAL EXCISION OF POSTERIOR VERTEBRAL COMPONENT (EG, SPINOUS PROCESS, LAMINA OR FACET) FOR INTRINSIC BONY LESION, SINGLE VERTEBRAL SEGMENT; THORACIC.
22102	T	0208	PARTIAL EXCISION OF POSTERIOR VERTEBRAL COMPONENT (EG, SPINOUS PROCESS, LAMINA OR FACET) FOR INTRINSIC BONY LESION, SINGLE VERTEBRAL SEGMENT; LUMBAR.
22103	T	0208	PARTIAL EXCISION OF POSTERIOR VERTEBRAL COMPONENT (EG, SPINOUS PROCESS, LAMINA OR FACET) FOR INTRINSIC BONY LESION, SINGLE VERTEBRAL SEGMENT; EACH ADDITIONAL SEGMENT (LIST SEPARATELY IN ADDITION TO CODE FOR PRIMARY PROCEDURE).
23035	T	0049	INCISION, BONE CORTEX (EG, OSTEOMYELITIS OR BONE ABSCESS), SHOULDER AREA.
23125	T	0051	CLAVICULECTOMY; TOTAL.
23195	T	0050	RESECTION, HUMERAL HEAD.
23395	T	0051	MUSCLE TRANSFER, ANY TYPE, SHOULDER OR UPPER ARM; SINGLE.
23397	T	0052	MUSCLE TRANSFER, ANY TYPE, SHOULDER OR UPPER ARM; MULTIPLE.
23400	T	0050	SCAPULOPEXY (EG, SPRENGELS DEFORMITY OR FOR PARALYSIS).
24150	T	0052	RADICAL RESECTION FOR TUMOR, SHAFT OR DISTAL HUMERUS;.
24151	T	0052	RADICAL RESECTION FOR TUMOR, SHAFT OR DISTAL HUMERUS; WITH AUTOGRAFT (INCLUDES OBTAINING GRAFT).
24152	T	0052	RADICAL RESECTION FOR TUMOR, RADIAL HEAD OR NECK;.
24153	T	0052	RADICAL RESECTION FOR TUMOR, RADIAL HEAD OR NECK; WITH AUTOGRAFT (INCLUDES OBTAINING GRAFT).
25170	T	0052	RADICAL RESECTION FOR TUMOR, RADIUS OR ULNA.
25390	T	0050	OSTEOPLASTY, RADIUS OR ULNA; SHORTENING.
25391	T	0051	OSTEOPLASTY, RADIUS OR ULNA; LENGTHENING WITH AUTOGRAFT.
25392	T	0050	OSTEOPLASTY, RADIUS AND ULNA; SHORTENING (EXCLUDING 64876).
25393	T	0051	OSTEOPLASTY, RADIUS AND ULNA; LENGTHENING WITH AUTOGRAFT.
25420	T	0051	REPAIR OF NONUNION OR MALUNION, RADIUS AND ULNA; WITH AUTOGRAFT (INCLUDES OBTAINING GRAFT).
27035	T	0052	DENERVATION, HIP JOINT, INTRAPELVIC OR EXTRAPELVIC INTRA-ARTICULAR BRANCHES OF SCIATIC, FEMORAL, OR OBTURATOR NERVES.
27216	T	0050	PERCUTANEOUS SKELETAL FIXATION OF POSTERIOR PELVIC RING FRACTURE AND/OR DISLOCATION (INCLUDES ILIUM, SACROILIAC JOINT AND/OR SACRUM).
27235	T	0050	PERCUTANEOUS SKELETAL FIXATION OF FEMORAL FRACTURE, PROXIMAL END, NECK, UNDISPLACED, MILDLY DISPLACED, OR IMPACTED FRACTURE.
31582	T	0256	LARYNGOPLASTY; FOR LARYNGEAL STENOSIS, WITH GRAFT OR CORE MOLD, INCLUDING TRACHEOTOMY.
31785	T	0254	EXCISION OF TRACHEAL TUMOR OR CARCINOMA; CERVICAL.
32201	T	0070	PNEUMONOSTOMY; WITH PERCUTANEOUS DRAINAGE OF ABSCESS OR CYST.
38700	T	0113	SUPRAHYOID LYMPHADENECTOMY.
42842	T	0254	RADICAL RESECTION OF TONSIL, TONSILLAR PILLARS, AND/OR RETROMOLAR TRIGONE; WITHOUT CLOSURE.
43030	T	0253	CRICOPHARYNGEAL MYOTOMY.
47490	T	0152	PERCUTANEOUS CHOLECYSTOSTOMY.
47001	N		BIOPSY OF LIVER, NEEDLE; WHEN DONE FOR INDICATED PURPOSE AT TIME OF OTHER MAJOR PROCEDURE.
62351	T	0208	IMPLANTATION, REVISION OR REPOSITIONING OF TUNNELED INTRATHECAL OR EPIDURAL CATHETER, FOR LONG-TERM MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION VIA AN EXTERNAL PUMP OR IMPLANTABLE RESERVOIR/INFUSION PUMP; WITH LAMINECTOMY.
64820	T	0220	SYMPATHECTOMY; DIGITAL ARTERIES, EACH DIGIT.
69150	T	0252	RADICAL EXCISIONS EXTERNAL AUDITORY CANAL LESION; WITHOUT NECK DISSECTION.
69502	T	0254	MASTOIDECTOMY; COMPLETE.
92986	T	0083	PERCUTANEOUS BALLOON VALVULOPLASTY; AORTIC VALVE.
92987	T	0083	PERCUTANEOUS BALLOON VALVULOPLASTY; MITRAL VALVE.
92990	T	0083	PERCUTANEOUS BALLOON VALVULOPLASTY; PULMONARY VALVE.
92997	T	0081	PERCUTANEOUS TRANSLUMINAL PULMONARY ARTERY BALLOON ANGIOPLASTY; SINGLE VESSEL.
92998	T	0081	PERCUTANEOUS TRANSLUMINAL PULMONARY ARTERY BALLOON ANGIOPLASTY; EACH ADDITIONAL VESSEL (LIST SEPARATELY IN ADDITION TO CODE FOR PRIMARY PROCEDURE)

C. Partial Hospitalization

Payment Methodology

As we discussed in the April 7, 2000 OPPS final rule (65 FR 18452), partial hospitalization is an intensive outpatient program of psychiatric services provided to patients in the place of inpatient care. A partial hospitalization program (PHP) may be provided by a hospital to its outpatients or by a Medicare-certified community mental health center (CMHC). Payment to providers under the OPPS for PHPs represents the provider's overhead costs associated with the program. Because a day of care is the unit that defines the structure and scheduling of partial hospitalization services, effective for services furnished on or after August 1, 2000, we established a per diem payment methodology for the PHP APC. We analyzed the service components billed by hospitals over the course of a billing period and determined the median hospital cost of furnishing a day of partial hospitalization. We were unable to use CMHC data in computing the per diem because up until April 1, 2000, CMHCs were not required to report HCPCS codes. In addition, section 1833(t)(2)(C) of the Act requires that we establish relative payment weights based on median (or mean, at the election of the Secretary) hospital costs determined by 1996 claims and the most recent available cost report data. This analysis resulted in a per diem payment of $202.19 effective August 1, 2000. This amount was updated effective January 1, 2001 and April 1, 2002 to $206.82 and $212.27.

Although we did not use CMHC data in establishing the initial APC for partial hospitalization (or in the updates made since then), in the April 7, 2000 final rule we made a commitment to analyze future data from hospitals and CMHCs to determine if refinements to the per diem are warranted. Based on our review of 2001 claims data submitted under the OPPS, we have developed a payment rate for partial hospitalization following the same methodology used to establish all the APC payment amounts. However, because a day of care is the unit for PHP services, we computed the median cost of furnishing a day of partial hospitalization. Other than the unit of service being a day of care, the method we used to determine median costs for PHP is no different than that used for all other APCs as described in other sections of this proposed rule. The CY 2003 proposed payment rate for the partial hospitalization APC is $256.96 per day, of which $51.39 is the beneficiary's coinsurance.

We used calendar year 2001 bills from both hospitals and CMHCs. We used data from all the hospital bills reporting condition code 41, which identifies the claim as partial hospitalization. Since section 1866(e)(2) of the Act specifies that a CMHC is a provider of service ''* * * only with respect to the furnishing of partial hospitalization services * * *,'' we used all bills from CMHCs. We used cost-to-charge ratios from the most recently available hospital and CMHC cost reports to develop costs from line item charges reported on bills. Since hospitals and CMHCs are now required to report line item dates of service on claims, we used that data to refine our estimates of line item costs.

We then computed per diem costs by summing the line item costs on each bill and dividing by the number of days on each bill. Using this method of determining costs, preliminary per diem cost estimates for CMHCs were much higher than expected, in many cases more than twice the average per diem for inpatient psychiatric care and more than three times the hospital median PHP per diem cost. The data strongly suggests that the costs were reported incorrectly. We believe that the data are unusable without adjustment.

Closer examination of the CMHC cost report data showed that costs from CMHC finalized cost reports were considerably lower than costs from ''as submitted'' CMHC cost reports. To account for the difference between settled and as-filed cost report data, we computed the ratio of total final costs to total as-filed costs over a 3-year period (FYs 1998–2000) and calculated an average adjustment factor which we applied to the costs on each claim. The adjusted costs were summed, then divided by the number of days on that bill.

Treatment of Professional Services Under PHP

Section 410.43 describes the conditions and exclusions of partial hospitalization services. That section lists the services that are separately covered and not paid as partial hospitalization services. The list includes—

- Physician services that meet the requirements of 42 CFR 415.102(a) for payment on a fee schedule basis;
- Physician assistant services, as defined in section 1861(s)(2)(K)(i) of the Act;
- Nurse practitioner and clinical nurse specialist services, as defined in section 1861(s)(2)(K)(ii) of the Act;
- Qualified psychologist services, as defined in section 1861(ii) of the Act; and
- Services furnished to SNF residents as defined in 42 CFR 411.15(p).

Based on this section, in the April 7, 2000 OPPS rule, we stated that the APC for partial hospitalization represents the provider's overhead costs, support staff, and the services of clinical social workers (CSWs) and occupational therapists (OTs), whose professional services are considered to be partial hospitalization services for which Medicare payment is made to the provider. Before implementation of the OPPS, the services of CSWs and OTs in a PHP were billed by the hospitals to the fiscal intermediaries and paid on a reasonable cost basis.

We have looked carefully at the differences between the cost experiences of CMHCs and of hospitals with respect to PHP services, as well as how payment is made for other hospital outpatient psychiatric services, to identify areas where improvements can be made in OPPS. One of the areas in which we identified discrepancies was in the coverage of CSW services. The way in which CSW services are currently billed and paid depends upon the circumstances under which CSW services are provided. In some settings, payment for CSW services is part of a bundled payment. In other settings, separate payment for CSW services is made.

Generally, CSW services furnished to hospital outpatients are bundled, which means that only the hospital may bill for such services. However, payment for CSW professional services furnished to hospital outpatients is made under the physician fee schedule. Therefore, the hospital outpatient department bills separately the Part B carrier for CSW services furnished to outpatients who are not in a PHP. CSW professional services are paid at 75 percent of the clinical psychologist fee schedule.

However, when CSWs furnish services to hospital outpatients or a CMHC under a partial hospitalization program, hospitals may not bill separately for the services of a CSW. Instead, for coverage and payment purposes, the services are recognized as partial hospitalization services. Partial hospitalization services are billed by hospitals and CMHCs to the fiscal intermediaries and paid the OPPS PHP APC per diem amount.

The different methodologies for payment of CSW services has proven both confusing and burdensome for hospitals because they must implement separate billing schemes for CSW services depending upon whether an

individual outpatient is admitted to a PHP program or to any other hospital outpatient psychiatric program. We believe that these challenges have resulted in incorrect reporting by hospitals which has led to an under-representation of CSW services in the OPPS PHP APC per diem amount.

To facilitate proper billing and to ensure comparable reporting of costs by hospitals and CMHCs, we are proposing to allow separate payment for CSW services furnished in CMHCs. This means that both hospitals and CMHCs will bill the carrier for CSW services furnished to PHP patients. Therefore, we are proposing to amend § 410.43(b) to add clinical social worker services that meet the requirements of section 1861(hh)(2) of the Act to the list of professional services not considered to be PHP services. We believe this change will allow CSW services to be more appropriately reflected in both settings as part of PHPs.

III. Transitional Pass-Through and Related Payment Issues

A. Background

Section 1833(t)(6) of the Act provides for temporary additional payments or ''transitional pass-through payments'' for certain medical devices, drugs, and biologicals. As originally enacted by the BBRA, this provision required the Secretary to make additional payments to hospitals for current orphan drugs, as designated under section 526 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, Pub. L. 107–186; current drugs, biologic agents, and brachytherapy devices used for the treatment of cancer; and current radiopharmaceutical drugs and biological products.

For those drugs, biologicals, and devices referred to as ''current,'' the transitional pass-through payment began on the first date the hospital OPPS was implemented (before enactment of the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Benefits Improvement and Protection Act (BIPA), Pub. L. 106–554, enacted December 21, 2000).

Transitional pass-through payments are also required for certain ''new'' medical devices, drugs, and biological agents that were not being paid for as a hospital outpatient service as of December 31, 1996 and whose cost is ''not insignificant'' in relation to the OPPS payment for the procedures or services associated with the new device, drug, or biological. Under the statute, transitional pass-through payments are to be made for at least 2 years but not more than 3 years.

Section 1833(t)(6)(B)(i) of the Act required that we establish by April 1, 2001, initial categories to be used for purposes of determining which medical devices are eligible for transitional pass-through payments. Section 1833(t)(6)(B)(i)(II) of the Act explicitly authorized us to establish initial categories by program memorandum. On March 22, 2001, we issued two Program Memoranda, Transmittals A–01–40 and A–01–41 that established the initial categories. We posted them on our web site at *http://www.hcfa.gov/pubforms/transmit/A0140.pdf* and *http://www.hcfa.gov/pubforms/transmit/A0141.pdf*, respectively.

Transmittal A–01–41 includes a list of the initial device categories and a crosswalk of all the item-specific codes for individual devices that were approved for transitional pass-through payments as of January 21, 2001 to the initial category code by which the device is to be billed beginning April 1, 2001. Items eligible for transitional pass-through payments are generally coded using a Level II HCPCS code with an alpha prefix of ''C.'' Pass-through device categories are identified by status indicator ''H'' and pass-through drugs and biologicals are identified by status indicator ''G.'' Subsequently, we added two additional categories and made clarifications to some of the categories' long descriptors found in transmittal A–01–73. A current list of device category codes in effect as of July 1, 2002 can be found in Transmittal A–02–050, which was issued on June 17, 2002. This Program Memorandum can be accessed on our web site at *http://www.hcfa.gov*. The list is also included in this preamble in Table 7.

Section 1833(t)(6)(B)(ii) of the Act also requires us to establish, through rulemaking, criteria that will be used to create additional device categories. The criteria for new categories are the subject of a separate interim final rule with comment period that we published in the **Federal Register** on November 2, 2001 (66 FR 55850). We will respond to public comments on that interim final rule in the final rule that implements the 2003 OPPS update.

Transitional pass-through categories are for devices only; they do not apply to drugs or biologicals. The regulations at § 419.64 governing transitional pass-through payments for eligible drugs and biologicals are unaffected by the creation of categories.

The process to apply for transitional pass-through payment for eligible drugs and biological agents or for additional device categories can be found on respective pages on our web site at *http://www.hcfa.gov*. If we revise the application instructions in any way, we will post the revisions on our web site and submit the changes for approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA). Notification of new drug, biological, or device category application processes are generally posted on the OPPS web site at *http://www.hcfa.gov/Medicare/hopsmain.html*.

B. Discussion of Pro Rata Reduction

Section 1833(t)(6)(E) of the Act limits the total projected amount of transitional pass-through payments for a given year to an ''applicable percentage'' of projected total payments under the hospital OPPS. For a year before 2004, the applicable percentage is 2.5 percent; for 2004 and subsequent years, we specify the applicable percentage up to 2.0 percent. If we estimate before the beginning of the calendar year that the total amount of pass-through payments in that year would exceed the applicable percentage, section 1833(t)(6)(E)(iii) of the Act requires a (prospective) uniform reduction in the amount of each of the transitional pass-through payments made in that year to ensure that the limit is not exceeded. We make an estimate of pass-through spending to determine not only whether payment exceeds the applicable percentage but also to determine the appropriate reduction to the conversion factor.

We will make an estimate of pass-through spending in 2003 using the methodology described below. Making an estimate of pass-though spending in 2003 entails estimating spending for two groups of items. The first group consists of those items for which we have claims data (that is, items that were eligible in 2001 and that will continue to be eligible in 2003). The second group consists of those items for which we have no direct claims data (that is, items that became or will become eligible in 2002 and will retain pass-through status and items that will be newly eligible beginning in 2003).

To estimate 2003 pass-through spending for device categories in the first group, we will use volume and hospital cost (derived from charges on claims using cost-to-charge ratios) information from 2001 claims data. This information will be projected forward to 2003 levels using appropriate inflation and utilization factors. For existing categories with no claims data in 2001 that are or will be active in 2002, we will follow the method described in the November 2, 2001 final rule (66 FR 55857). We will use price information from manufacturers and volume estimates from claims related to procedures that use the devices in question. This information will be

projected forward to 2003 using appropriate inflation and utilization factors to estimate 2003 pass-through spending for this group of categories. For categories that become eligible in 2003, we will use the same method as described for categories that are newly active in 2002. Any new categories for 2003 will be announced after the publication of this proposed rule but prior to the publication of the final rule. Therefore the estimate of pass-through spending will incorporate pass-through spending for categories made effective January 1, 2003.

To estimate 2003 pass-through spending for drugs, biologicals, and radiopharmaceuticals, in the first group, we will use volume data from 2001 claims and the average wholesale price (AWP) as published in the July 2002 Red Book. This information will be projected forward to 2003 using the appropriate utilization factor. (Because 2003 payment rates for pass-through drugs will be based on the July 2002 AWPs, we do not apply an inflation factor.) The pass-through amount for drugs, biologicals, and radiopharmaceuticals is the difference between the payment rate (that is, 95 percent of the AWP) and the amount that would have been included in the payment rate of its associated APC had the drug, biological, or radiopharmaceutical been packaged. Section V.E. describes this methodology. To estimate pass-through spending for drugs in this group, for each drug we will multiply the drug's estimated utilization times the pass-through amount (for example, the difference between 95 percent of AWP for the drug and the amount included in the payment rate for its associated APC). For most drugs, the pass-through amount will be based on the weighted average ratios described in Section IV.E. However some drugs may fall into two other classes. The first class includes a drug that is new and for which there are no previously existing costs in an associated APC. For such a drug, we propose that the pass-through amount would be 95 percent of the AWP (because there are no previously existing costs in an associated APC) and there will be no copayment (because there are no previously existing costs in an APC on which to base a copayment). The second class includes a drug that is new and is a substitute for only one drug whose cost is recognized in the OPPS through an unpackaged APC. For drugs in this second class, we propose that the pass-through amount would be the difference between 95 percent of the AWP for the pass-through drug and the payment rate for the comparable dose of the associated drug's APC. The copayment would be based on the payment rate of its associated APC.

For existing drugs, biologicals, and radiopharmaceuticals for which we have no claims data in 2001 and which are active or will be active in 2002 as well as for drugs, biologicals, and radiopharmaceuticals, we will derive volume estimates from information submitted by manufacturers as well as other sources (such as, peer-reviewed clinical studies) and the AWP as published in the July 2002 Red Book. This information will be projected forward to 2003 using the appropriate utilization factor. Again, because 2003 payment rates for pass-through drugs will be based on the July 2002 AWP, we do not apply an inflation factor. To estimate pass-through spending for drugs in this group, for each drug we will multiply the drug's estimated utilization times the pass-through amount. For most drugs, these amounts will be based on the weighted average ratios described in Section IV.E. However some drugs may fall into two other classes. The first class includes a drug that is new and has no previously existing costs included in an associated APC. For such a drug, we propose that the pass-through amount would be 95 percent of the AWP (because there are no previously existing costs included in an APC) and there would be no copayment (because there are no previously existing costs in an APC on which to base a copayment). The table below shows two such drugs, Y–90 Zevalin and IN–111 Zevalin. The second class includes a drug that is new and is a substitute for only one drug that is recognized in the OPPS, through an unpackaged APC. The table below shows one such drug, Darbepoetin alfa, which is a new substitute of epoetin. For drugs in this second class, the pass-through amount will be the difference between 95 percent of the AWP for the pass-through drug and the payment rate for the comparable dose of the associated drug's APC. The copayment will be based on the payment rate of its associated APC. For drugs, biologicals, and radiopharmaceuticals that may receive pass-through status effective January 1, 2003, we will use the same methodology as described for drugs, biologicals, and radiopharmaceuticals that received pass-through status in 2002. Any new pass-through drugs, biologicals, and radiopharmaceuticals effective beginning in 2003 will be announced after the publication of this proposed rule but prior to the publication of the final rule. Therefore the estimate of pass-through spending will incorporate pass-through spending for these drugs, biologicals, and radiopharmaceuticals made effective January 1, 2003.

Finally, we will incorporate an estimate of pass-through spending for items that become eligible later in 2003 (that is, April 1, 2003; July 1, 2003; and October 1, 2003) based on estimates for items that will become eligible for pass-through status January 1, 2003. Specifically, we will assume a proportionate amount of spending for items that become eligible later in the year while making an adjustment to account for the fact that items made eligible later in the year will not have received pass-through payments for the entire year.

After using the methodologies described above to determine projected 2003 pass-through spending for the groups of devices, drugs, biologicals, and radiopharmaceuticals described above, we would calculate total projected 2003 pass-through spending as a percentage of the total (that is, Medicare and beneficiary payments) projected payments under OPPS to determine if the pro rata reduction would be required.

Below is a table showing our current estimate of 2003 pass-through spending based on information available at the time this table was developed. We are uncertain whether pass-through spending in 2003 will exceed $457 million or 2.5 percent of total OPPS spending. We have not yet completed the estimate of pass-through spending for a number of drugs. In particular, we are in the process of obtaining additional information about the utilization volume for several pass-through drugs. We invite comments on the methodology described above as well as the assumptions shown in the table below including anticipated utilization and utilization not yet determined. More information regarding the assumptions used to create these estimates is available at *http://cms.hhs.gov/regulations/regnotices.asp.*

TABLE X.

HCPC	APC	DRUG, biological	2002 payment rate	2001 utilization	2003 Pass-through payment portion	2003 estimated utilization	2003 anticipated pass-through payment
Existing Pass-through Drugs/Biologicals							
A9700	9016	Echocardiography Contrast*	$118.75	300,000	$34.44	368,686	$12,696,607.35
C1774	734	Darbepoetin alfa, 1 mcg	4.74	6136252	1.37	7,541,157	10,366,074.10
C1058	1058	TC 99M oxidronate, per vial	36.74	4,000	10.65	4,916	52,375.96
C1064	1064	I–131 cap, each add mCi	5.86	4,575	1.88	5,622	485,208.00
C1065	1065	I–131 sol, each add mCi	15.81	4,575	5.06	5,622	1,309,068.00
C1775	1775	FDG, per dose (4–40 mCi/ml)	475.00	30,000	137.75	36,869	5,078,642.94
J9219	7051	Leuprolide acetate implant	5,399.80	66	1,565.94	81	127,014.83
J9017	9012	Arsenic Trioxide	23.75		6.89	TBD	To be determined
J7517	9015	Mycophenolate mofetil	2.40		0.70	TBD	To be determined
J0587	9018	Botulinum toxin type B	8.79		2.55	TBD	To be determined
C9019	9019	Caspofugen acetate, 5 mg	34.20		9.92	TBD	To be determined
C9110	9110	Alemtuzumab, per 10mg/ml	486.88		141.20	517	72,997.92
C9111	9111	Inj. Bivalrudin, 250 mg vial	397.81		115.36	TBD	To be determined
C9112	9112	Perflutren lipid micro, 2ml	148.20	300,000	42.98	368,686	15,845,365.98
C9113	9113	Inj Pantoprazole sodium, vial	22.80		6.61	TBD	To be determined
C9114	9114	Nesiritide, per 1.5 mg vial	433.20		125.63	TBD	To be determined
C9115	9115	Zoledronic acid, 2 mg	406.78		117.97	TBD	To be determined
C9200	9200	Orcel, per 36 cm2	1,135.25		329.22	TBD	To be determined
C9201	9201	Dermagraft, per 37.5 sq cm	577.60		167.50	TBD	To be determined
Pass-through Drugs/Biologicals Effective October 2002							
C9116	9116	Ertapenem sodium	36.24		10.51	TBD	To be determined
C9117	9117	Y–90 Zevalin	19,181.44		19,181.44	9,000	172,632,960.00
C9118	9118	IN–111 Zevalin	2,769.65		2,769.65	9,000	24,926,850.00
C9119	9119	Pegfilgrastim	2,802.50		2,367.13	85,258	201,815,396.40
Pass-through Devices							
C1765	1754	Adhesion barrier		256		261	20,011.00
C1783	1783	Ocular implant, aqueous drainage		2000		2042	1,327,300.00
C1888	1888	Endovascular, non-cardiac		184		188	136,300.00
C1900	1900	Lead, left ventricular		1000		1021	2,042,000.00
C2618	2618	Probe, cryoablation		1120		1144	531,106.00

C. Expiration of Transitional Pass-Through Payments in Calendar Year 2003

1. Devices

Section 1833(t)(6)(B)(iii) of the Act requires that a category of devices be eligible for transitional pass-through payments for at least 2, but not more than 3, years. This period begins with the first date on which a transitional pass-through payment is made for any medical device that is described by the category. We propose that 95 device categories currently in effect will expire effective January 1, 2003. Our proposed payment methodology for devices that have been paid by means of pass-through categories, but for which pass-through status will expire effective January 1, 2003, is discussed in the section below.

Although the device category codes became effective on April 1, 2001, many of the item-specific C-codes for pass-through devices that were crosswalked to the new category codes were approved for pass-through payment in CY 2000, or as of January 1, 2001. (The crosswalk for item-specific C-codes to category codes was issued in Transmittals A–01–41 and A–01–97, cited in section III.A.) To establish the expiration date for the category codes listed in Table 7, we determined when item-specific devices that are described by the categories were first made effective for pass-through payment before the implementation of device categories. These dates are listed in Table 7 in the column entitled ''Date First Populated.'' We propose to base the expiration date for a device category on the earliest effective date of pass-through status for any device that populates that category. Thus, the 95 categories for devices that will have been eligible for pass-through payments for at least 2 years as of December 31, 2002 would not be eligible for pass-through payments effective January 1, 2003.

Below is Table 7, which includes a comprehensive list of all pass-through device categories effective on or before July 1, 2002 with the date that devices described by the category first became effective for payment under the pass-through provisions and their respective proposed expiration dates.

TABLE 7.—LIST OF PASS-THROUGH DEVICE CATEGORIES WITH PROPOSED EXPIRATION DATES

	HCPCS codes	Category long descriptor	Date first populated	Expiration date
1	C1883	Adaptor/extension, pacing lead or neurostimulator lead (implantable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
2	C1765	Adhesion barrier	10/01/00–3/31/01; 7/1/01.	12/31/03
3	C1713	Anchor/screw for opposing bone-to-bone or soft tissue-to-bone (implantable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
4	C1715	Brachytherapy needle	8/1/00	12/31/02
5	C1716	Brachytherapy seed, Gold 198	10/1/00	12/31/02
6	C1717	Brachytherapy seed, High Dose Rate Iridium 192	1/1/01	12/31/02
7	C1718	Brachytherapy seed, Iodine 125	8/1/00	12/31/02
8	C1719	Brachytherapy seed, Non-High Dose Rate Iridium 192	10/1/00	12/31/02
9	C1720	Brachytherapy seed, Palladium 103	8/1/00	12/31/02
10	C2616	Brachytherapy seed, Yttrium-90	1/1/01	12/31/02
11	C1721	Cardioverter-defibrillator, dual chamber (implantable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
12	C1882	Cardioverter-defibrillator, other than single or dual chamber (implantable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
13	C1722	Cardioverter-defibrillator, single chamber (implantable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
14	C1888	Catheter, ablation, non-cardiac, endovascular (implantable)	7/1/02	12/31/04
15	C1726	Catheter, balloon dilatation, non-vascular	8/1/00	12/31/02
16	C1727	Catheter, balloon tissue dissector, non-vascular (insertable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
17	C1728	Catheter, brachytherapy seed administration	1/1/01	12/31/02
18	C1729	Catheter, drainage	10/1/00	12/31/02
19	C1730	Catheter, electrophysiology, diagnostic, other than 3D mapping (19 or fewer electrodes)	8/1/00	12/31/02
20	C1731	Catheter, electrophysiology, diagnostic, other than 3D mapping (20 or more electrodes)	8/1/00	12/31/02
21	C1732	Catheter, electrophysiology, diagnostic/ablation, 3D or vector mapping	8/1/00	12/31/02
22	C1733	Catheter, electrophysiology, diagnostic/ablation, other than 3D or vector mapping, other than cool-tip.	8/1/00	12/31/02
23	C2630	Catheter, electrophysiology, diagnostic/ablation, other than 3D or vector mapping, cool-tip.	10/1/00	12/31/02
24	C1887	Catheter, guiding (may include infusion/perfusion capability)	8/1/00	12/31/02
25	C1750	Catheter, hemodialysis/peritoneal, long-term	8/1/00	12/31/02
26	C1752	Catheter, hemodialysis/peritoneal, short-term	8/1/00	12/31/02
27	C1751	Catheter, infusion, inserted peripherally, centrally or midline (other than hemodialysis)	8/1/00	12/31/02
28	C1759	Catheter, intracardiac echocardiography	8/1/00	12/31/02
29	C1754	Catheter, intradiscal	10/1/00	12/31/02
30	C1755	Catheter, intraspinal	8/1/00	12/31/02
31	C1753	Catheter, intravascular ultrasound	8/1/00	12/31/02
32	C2628	Catheter, occlusion	10/1/00	12/31/02
33	C1756	Catheter, pacing, transesophageal	10/1/00	12/31/02
34	C2627	Catheter, suprapubic/cystoscopic	10/1/00	12/31/02
35	C1757	Catheter, thrombectomy/embolectomy	8/1/00	12/31/02
36	C1885	Catheter, transluminal angioplasty, laser	10/1/00	12/31/02
37	C1725	Catheter, transluminal angioplasty, non-laser (may include guidance, infusion/perfusion capability).	8/1/00	12/31/02
38	C1714	Catheter, transluminal atherectomy, directional	8/1/00	12/31/02
39	C1724	Catheter, transluminal atherectomy, rotational	8/1/00	12/31/02
40	C1758	Catheter, ureteral	10/1/00	12/31/02
41	C1760	Closure device, vascular (implantable/insertable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
42	L8614	Cochlear implant system	8/1/00	12/31/02
43	C1762	Connective tissue, human (includes fascia lata)	8/1/00	12/31/02

TABLE 7.—LIST OF PASS-THROUGH DEVICE CATEGORIES WITH PROPOSED EXPIRATION DATES—Continued

	HCPCS codes	Category long descriptor	Date first populated	Expiration date
44	C1763	Connective tissue, non-human (includes synthetic)	10/1/00	12/31/02
45	C1881	Dialysis access system (implantable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
46	C1764	Event recorder, cardiac (implantable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
47	C1767	Generator, neurostimulator (implantable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
48	C1768	Graft, vascular	1/1/01	12/31/02
49	C1769	Guide wire	8/1/00	12/31/02
50	C1770	Imaging coil, magnetic resonance (insertable)	1/1/01	12/31/02
51	C1891	Infusion pump, non-programmable, permanent (implantable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
52	C2626	Infusion pump, non-programmable, temporary (implantable)	1/1/01	12/31/02
53	C1772	Infusion pump, programmable (implantable)	10/1/00	12/31/02
54	C1893	Introducer/sheath, guiding, intracardiac electrophysiological, fixed-curve, other than peel-away.	10/1/00	12/31/02
55	C1766	Introducer/sheath, guiding, intracardiac electrophysiological, steerable, other than peel-away.	1/1/01	12/31/02
56	C1892	Introducer/sheath, guiding, intracardiac electrophysiological, fixed-curve, peel-away	1/1/01	12/31/02
57	C1894	Introducer/sheath, other than guiding, other than intracardiac electrophysiological, non-laser.	8/1/00	12/31/02
58	C2629	Introducer/sheath, other than guiding, other than intracardiac electrophysiological, laser	1/1/01	12/31/02
59	C1776	Joint device (implantable)	10/1/00	12/31/02
60	C1895	Lead, cardioverter-defibrillator, endocardial dual coil (implantable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
61	C1777	Lead, cardioverter-defibrillator, endocardial single coil (implantable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
62	C1896	Lead, cardioverter-defibrillator, other than endocardial single or dual coil (implantable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
63	C1900	Lead, left ventricular coronary venous system	7/1/02	12/31/04
64	C1778	Lead, neurostimulator (implantable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
65	C1897	Lead, neurostimulator test kit (implantable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
66	C1898	Lead, pacemaker, other than transvenous VDD single pass	8/1/00	12/31/02
67	C1779	Lead, pacemaker, transvenous VDD single pass	8/1/00	12/31/02
68	C1899	Lead, pacemaker/cardioverter-defibrillator combination (implantable)	1/1/01	12/31/02
69	C1780	Lens, intraocular (new technology)	8/1/00	12/31/02
70	C1878	Material for vocal cord medialization, synthetic (implantable)	10/1/00	12/31/02
71	C1781	Mesh (implantable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
72	C1782	Morcellator	8/1/00	12/31/02
73	C1784	Ocular device, intraoperative, detached retina	1/1/01	12/31/02
74	C1783	Ocular implant, aqueous drainage assist device	7/1/02	12/31/04
75	C2619	Pacemaker, dual chamber, non rate-responsive (implantable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
76	C1785	Pacemaker, dual chamber, rate-responsive (implantable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
77	C2621	Pacemaker, other than single or dual chamber (implantable)	1/1/01	12/31/02
78	C2620	Pacemaker, single chamber, non rate-responsive (implantable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
79	C1786	Pacemaker, single chamber, rate-responsive (implantable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
80	C1787	Patient programmer, neurostimulator	8/1/00	12/31/02
81	C1788	Port, indwelling (implantable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
82	C2618	Probe, cryoablation	4/1/01	12/31/03
83	C1789	Prosthesis, breast (implantable)	10/1/00	12/31/02
84	C1813	Prosthesis, penile, inflatable	8/1/00	12/31/02
85	C2622	Prosthesis, penile, non-inflatable	10/1/01	12/31/02
86	C1815	Prosthesis, urinary sphincter (implantable)	10/1/00	12/31/02
87	C1816	Receiver and/or transmitter, neurostimulator (implantable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
88	C1771	Repair device, urinary, incontinence, with sling graft	10/1/00	12/31/02
89	C2631	Repair device, urinary, incontinence, without sling graft	8/1/00	12/31/02
90	C1773	Retrieval device, insertable	1/1/01	12/31/02
91	C2615	Sealant, pulmonary, liquid (Implantable)	1/1/01	12/31/02
92	C1817	Septal defect implant system, intracardiac	8/1/00	12/31/02
93	C1874	Stent, coated/covered, with delivery system	8/1/00	12/31/02
94	C1875	Stent, coated/covered, without delivery system	8/1/00	12/31/02
95	C2625	Stent, non-coronary, temporary, with delivery system	10/1/00	12/31/02
96	C2617	Stent, non-coronary, temporary, without delivery system	10/1/00	12/31/02
97	C1876	Stent, non-coated/non-covered, with delivery system	8/1/00	12/31/02
98	C1877	Stent, non-coated/non-covered, without delivery system	8/1/00	12/31/02
99	C1879	Tissue marker (implantable)	8/1/00	12/31/02
100	C1880	Vena cava filter	1/1/01	12/31/02

We considered a number of options on how to pay for devices after their pass-through payment status expires effective January 1, 2003. We held a Town Hall Meeting on April 5, 2002, to solicit recommendations on how to pay for drugs, biologicals, and devices once their eligibility for transitional pass-through payments expires in accordance with the time limits set by the statute. Interested parties representing hospitals, physician specialty groups, device and drug manufacturers and trade associations, and other organizations presented their views on these issues.

We have carefully considered all the comments, concerns, and recommendations submitted to us regarding payment for devices and drugs and biologicals that would no

longer be eligible for pass-through payments in 2003. One consideration under the OPPS is the need to enable beneficiary access to new, and often costly, medical technology. We have also had to assess the extent to which the most recently available data that are the basis for prospectively setting payment rates for services within the APC system adequately reflect the costs incurred by hospitals to furnish this new technology. Having considered these factors, we propose to package the costs of medical devices no longer eligible for pass-through payment in 2003 into the costs of the procedures with which the devices were billed in 2001. (Our proposal to pay for pass-through drugs and biologicals whose pass-through status expires in 2003 is discussed below, in section III.C.2.)

The methodology that we propose to use to package pass-through device costs is consistent with the methodology for packaging that we describe in section II.B.4.b. That is, to calculate the total cost for a service on a per-service basis, we included all charges billed with the service in a revenue center in addition to packaged HCPCS codes with status indicator ''N.'' We also packaged the 2001 charges for devices that will cease to be eligible for pass-through payment in 2003 into the changes for the HCPCS codes with which the devices were billed. We relied on the hospitals to correctly code their bills for all costs, including pass-through devices, using HCPCS codes and revenue centers as appropriate to describe the services that they furnished.

We discuss in section II.B.4.a.(2), issues related to coding and billing for pass-through devices in 2001 and how our analysis of the claims data suggests that in some instances charges for devices were billed in revenue centers and in other instances with a device-specific or device category ''C'' code. We did not want to lose the device costs billed by hospitals through revenue centers in developing our relative weights for APCs, yet we were unable to separate the device costs from other costs included in the revenue centers. This problem is resolved by our proposal to package the costs of both the device ''C'' codes and the billed revenue centers, whichever appears on the claim. We are confident that this method will allow us to capture all device related costs billed by hospitals.

We customarily allow a grace period for HCPCS codes that are scheduled for deletion. When we allow a grace period for deleted codes, we permit deleted codes to continue to be billed and paid for 90 days after the effective date of the changes that require their deletion. However, we propose to not allow a grace period for expiring pass-through codes because permitting a grace period would result in pass-through payment for the items for which we propose to cease pass-through payment effective with services furnished on or after January 1, 2003. Effective for services furnished on or after January 1, 2003, hospitals would submit charges for all surgically inserted devices in the supply, implant, or device revenue center that most appropriately describes the implant. Device costs will thus be packaged into and reflected in the costs for the procedure with which they are associated. Therefore, effective for services furnished on or after January 1, 2003, we propose to reject line items containing a ''C'' code for a device category scheduled to expire effective January 1, 2003.

2. Drugs and Biologicals (Including Radiopharmaceuticals, Blood, and Blood Products)

Under the OPPS, we currently pay for drugs and biologicals, including radiopharmaceuticals, blood, and blood products, in one of three ways: packaged payment, separate APCs and transitional pass-through payment.

Packaged Payment

As we explained in the April 7, 2000 final rule, we generally package the cost of drugs and biologicals into the APC payment rate for the primary procedure or treatment with which the drugs are usually furnished (65 FR 18450). Hospitals do not receive separate payment from Medicare for packaged items and supplies, and hospitals may not bill beneficiaries separately for any such packaged items and supplies whose costs are recognized and paid for within the national OPPS payment rate for the associated procedure or service. (Transmittal A–01–133, a Program Memorandum issued to Intermediaries on November 20, 2001, explains in greater detail the rules regarding separate payment for packaged services). Hospitals bill for costs directly related and integral to performing a procedure or furnishing a service using a revenue center or packaged HCPCS code (status indicator ''N''). As discussed earlier in section II.B.4.a(2), we list the packaged services, by revenue center, that we use to calculate per-service costs.

As specified in the regulations at § 419.2(b), costs directly related and integral to performing a procedure or furnishing a service on an outpatient basis are included in the determination of OPPS payment rates for the procedure or service. For example, sedatives administered to patients while they are in the preoperative area being prepared for a procedure are supplies that are integral to being able to perform the procedure. Similarly, mydriatic drops instilled into the eye to dilate the pupils, anti-inflammatory drops, antibiotic ointments, and ocular hypotensives that are administered to the patient immediately before, during, or following an ophthalmic procedure are considered an integral part of the procedure without which the procedure could not be performed. The costs of these items are packaged into and reflected within the OPPS payment rate for the procedure. Likewise, barium or low osmolar contrast media are supplies that are integral to a diagnostic imaging procedure as is the topical solution used with photodynamic therapy furnished at the hospital to treat non-hyperkeratotic actinic keratosis lesions of the face or scalp. Local anesthetics such as marcaine, lidocaine (with or without epinephrine) and antibiotic ointments such as bacitracin, placed on a wound or surgical incision at the completion of a procedure, are other examples. The hospital furnishes these items while the patient is in the hospital and registered as an outpatient for the purpose of receiving a therapy, treatment, procedure, or service. These and other such supplies may be furnished pre-operatively, while the patient is being prepared for a procedure; intra-operatively, while the procedure is being performed; or post-operatively, while the patient is in the recovery area prior to discharge. Or, these items may be part of an E/M service furnished during a clinic visit or in the emergency department. All of these supplies are directly related and integral to the performance of a separately payable therapy, treatment, procedure, or service with which they are furnished. Therefore, we do not generally recognize them as separately payable services. We package their cost into the cost of the primary procedure, and we pay for them as part of the APC payment.

Separate APCs for Drugs Not Eligible for Transitional Pass-Through Payment

There are certain new technology drugs and biologicals that are not eligible for transitional pass-through payments but for which we have made separate payment. Beginning with the April 7, 2000 rule (65 FR 18476), we created separate new technology APCs for these drugs and biologicals as well as devices. For example, we did not package into the emergency room visit APCs the various drugs classified as tissue plasminogen activators (TPAs)

and other thrombolytic agents that are used to treat patients with myocardial infarctions. We also did not package the costs of certain vaccines into the payment for visits or procedures. Rather, we created temporary individual APC groups for these drugs to allow separate payment so as not to discourage their use where appropriate. In the case of blood and blood products, wide variations in patient requirements convinced us that we should pay for these items separately rather than packaging their costs into the procedural APCs. Moreover, the Secretary's Advisory Council on Blood Safety and Access recommended that blood and blood products be paid separately to ensure that there were no incentives that would be inconsistent with the promotion of blood safety and access.

In the case of the other drugs and vaccines that we did not package into payment for visits or procedures, we paid separately for them because we wanted to avoid creating an incentive to cease providing these drugs when they were medically indicated.

We based the payment rate for the APCs for these drugs and biologicals on median hospital acquisition costs. To determine the hospital acquisition cost for the drugs, we imputed a cost using the same ratios of drug acquisition cost to AWP that we discuss below in connection with calculating acquisition costs for transitional pass-through drug payments. That is, we multiplied the AWP for the drug by the applicable ratio (sole or multisource drug) based on data collected in an external survey of hospital drug acquisition costs.

We set beneficiary copayment amounts for these drug and biological APCs at 20 percent of the imputed acquisition cost. In 2003 we will use status indicator ''K'' to denote the APCs for drugs and biologicals (including blood and blood products) and certain brachytherapy seeds that are paid separately from and in addition to the procedure or treatment with which they are associated but that are not eligible for transitional pass-through payment.

Transitional Pass-Through Payments for Eligible Drugs and Biologicals

BBRA provided for special transitional pass-through payments for a period of 2 to 3 years for the following drugs and biologicals (pass-through payments for devices are addressed in section III.C.1 of this proposed rule):

- Current orphan drugs, as designated under section 526 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.
- Current drugs and biologic agents used for treatment of cancer.
- Current radiopharmaceutical drugs and biological products.
- New drugs and biological agents.

In this context, ''current'' refers to those items for which hospital outpatient payment was being made on August 1, 2000, the date on which the OPPS was implemented. A ''new'' drug or biological is a product that is not paid under the OPPS as a ''current'' drug or biological, was not paid as a hospital outpatient service before January 1, 1997, and for which the cost is not insignificant in relation to the payment for the APC with which it is associated.

Section 1833(t)(6)(D)(i) of the Act sets the payment rate for pass-through eligible drugs as the amount by which the amount determined under section 1842(o) of the Act, that is, 95 percent of the applicable average wholesale price (AWP), exceeds the difference between 95 percent of the applicable AWP and the portion of the otherwise applicable fee schedule amount (that is, the APC payment rate) that the Secretary determines is associated with the drug or biological. Therefore, in order to determine the pass-through payment amount, we first had to determine the cost that was packaged for the drug or biological within its related APC. In order to determine this amount, we used data on hospital acquisition costs for drugs from a survey that is described more fully in the April 7, 2000 and the November 30, 2001 final rules. The ratio of hospital acquisition cost, on average, to AWP that we used is as follows:

- For sole-source drugs, the ratio of acquisition cost to AWP equals 0.68.
- For multisource drugs, the ratio of acquisition cost to AWP equals 0.61.
- For multisource drugs with generic competitors, the ratio of acquisition cost to AWP equals 0.43.

Section 1833(t)(6)(C)(i) of the Act specifies that the duration of transitional pass-through payments for current drugs and biologicals must be no less than 2 years nor any longer than 3 years beginning on the date that the OPPS is implemented. Therefore, the latest date for which current drugs that have been in transitional pass-through status since August 1, 2000 will be eligible for transitional pass-through payments is July 31, 2003. We propose to remove these drugs from transitional pass-through status effective January 1, 2003 because the law gives us the discretion to do so and because we generally implement annual OPPS updates on January 1 of each year. We would be in violation of the law if we were to not remove these drugs and biologicals from transitional pass through status before August 2, 2003. The next new OPPS that will go into place will not be effective until January 1, 2004, at which time, the statute's 3-year limit on pass-through payments for these drugs would have been exceeded. We further propose to remove from transitional pass-through status, beginning January 1, 2003, those drugs for which transitional pass-through payments were made effective on or prior to January 1, 2001 because the law gives us the discretion to do so and we believe that, to the extent possible, payments should be made under the OPPS, without pass-through payment, when the law permits, as it does in this case.

As explained above, our policy has been to package payment for drugs and biologicals into the payment for the procedure or service to which the drug is integral and directly related. In general, packaging the costs of items and services into the payment for the primary procedure or service with which it is associated encourages hospital efficiencies and also enables hospitals to manage their resources with maximum flexibility. Packaging costs into a single aggregate payment for a service procedure or episode of care is a fundamental principle that distinguishes a prospective payment system from a fee schedule. Our proposal to package the costs of devices that we discuss in section III.C.1 of this preamble is based on this principle. As we refine the OPPS in the future, we intend to continue to package, to the maximum possible extent, the costs of any items and services that are furnished with an outpatient procedure or service into the APC payment for services with which it is billed.

Notwithstanding our commitment to package as many costs as possible, we are aware of concerns that were presented at the April 5, 2002 Town Hall meeting and that have been brought to our attention by various interested parties, that packaging payments for certain drugs, especially those that are particularly expensive or rarely used, might result in insufficient payments to hospitals, which could adversely affect beneficiary access to medically necessary services.

The options that we considered included packaging the costs of all drugs and biologicals, both those with status indicator ''K'' in 2002 and those that would no longer receive pass-through payments in 2003, or continuing to make separate payment for both categories of drugs and biologicals through separate APCs. After careful consideration of the various options for 2003, we propose to package the cost of many drugs for which separate payment is made currently. But

we also propose to continue making separate payment for orphan drugs (as defined below), blood and blood products, vaccines that are paid under a benefit separate from the outpatient hospital benefit (that is, influenza, pneumococcal pneumonia, and hepatitis B), and certain higher cost drugs as explained below. The payment rates for those drugs for which we would make separate payment in 2003 would be an APC payment rate based on a relative weight calculated in the same way that relative weights for procedural APCs are calculated.

Orphan Drugs

We recognize that orphan drugs that are used solely for an orphan condition or conditions are generally expensive and, by definition, are rarely used. We believe that if the cost of these drugs were packaged into the payment for an associated procedure or visit, the payment for the procedure might be insufficient to compensate a hospital for the typically high cost of this special type of drug. Therefore, we propose to establish separate APCs to pay for those orphan drugs that are used solely for orphan conditions.

To identify the orphan drugs for which we would continue to make separate payment, we applied the following criteria:

- The drug must be designated as an orphan drug by FDA and approved by FDA for the orphan condition.
- The current United States Pharmacopoeia Drug Information (USPDI) shows that the drug had neither an approved use for other than an orphan condition nor an off label use for conditions other than the orphan condition. There are three orphan drugs that are used solely for orphan conditions for which we propose to make separate payment: J0205 Alglucerase injection (APC 0900); J0256 Alpha 1 proteinase inhibitor (APC 0901); and J09300 Gemtuzumab ozogamicin (APC 9004).

Blood and Blood Products

From the onset of the OPPS, we have made separate payment for blood and blood products either in APCs with status indicator ''K'' or as pass-through drugs and biologicals with status indicator ''G'' rather than packaging them into payment for the procedures with which they were administered. As we explained in the April 7, 2000 final rule (65 FR 18449), the high degree of variability in blood use among patients could result in payment inequities if the costs of blood and blood products were packaged with their administration. We also want to ensure that costs associated with blood safety testing are fully recognized. The safety of the nation's blood supply continues to be among the highest priorities of the Secretary's council on Blood Safety and Access. Therefore, we propose to continue to pay separately for blood and blood products.

Vaccines Covered Under a Benefit Other Than OPPS

Outpatient hospital departments administer large numbers of the vaccines for influenza (flu), pneumococcal pneumonia (PPV), and hepatitis B, typically by participating in immunization programs encouraged by the Secretary because these vaccinations greatly reduce death and illness in vulnerable populations. In recent years, the availability and cost of the vaccines (particularly the flu vaccine) have varied considerably. We want to avoid creating any disincentives to provide these important preventative services that might result from packaging their costs into those of primary procedures, visits, or administration codes. Therefore, we propose to pay for these vaccines under OPPS through the establishment of separate APCs.

Higher Cost Drugs

While our preferred policy is to package the cost of drugs and other items into the cost of the procedures with which they are associated, we are concerned that beneficiary access to care may be affected by packaging certain higher cost drugs. For this reason, we propose to allow payment under separate APCs for high cost drugs for an additional year while we further study various payment options. Specifically, we propose to pay separately for drugs for which the median cost per line (cost per unit multiplied by the number of units billed on the claim) exceeded $150, as determined below.

To establish a reasonable threshold for determining which drugs we would pay under separate APCs rather than through packaging, we calculated the median cost per unit using 2001 claims data for each of the drugs for which transitional pass-through payment ceases January 1, 2003 and for those additional drugs that we have paid separately (status indicator ''K'') since the outset of OPPS. We excluded from these calculations the orphan drugs, vaccines, and blood and blood products discussed above. The unit median represents the cost per single unit dose of the drug as described by its HCPCS code. Because many drugs are used and billed in multiple unit doses, we then multiplied the median cost per unit for the drug by the average number of units that were billed per line. The average number of units per drug equals the total units divided by the total number of times the drug was billed. This calculation gave us an approximate median cost per line for the drug. We viewed this as being the approximate cost per administration because we believed that a single administration of a drug was billed as a single line item on a claim and that the correct number of units was placed in the ''units'' field of the claim form. We then arrayed the median cost per line in ascending order and examined the distribution. A natural break occurs at $150 per line, the midpoint of a $10 span between the drug immediately above and below the $150 point. Within the array, approximately 61 percent of the drugs fall below the $150 point and 39 percent of the array are above the point. Among the drugs that we propose to package are some radiopharmaceuticals, vaccines, anesthetics, and anticancer agents. After including the costs of packaged drugs in the services with which they were provided, we noted that the median costs of those services increased. For example, based on 2001 data, APC 117, Chemotherapy Administration by Infusion Only, showed a median cost before packaging of $129.53 and showed a median cost after packaging of $210.36. Similarly, APC 118, Chemotherapy administration by both infusion and another technique, showed a median cost before packaging of $136.00 and a median cost after packaging of $309.65. We believe that this appropriately represents the cost of packaged drugs on a per administration basis. However, in particular, we solicit comments that address specific alternative protocols we might use when several packaged drugs whose total cost significantly exceeds the applicable APC payment amount may be administered to a patient on the same day (for example, multiple agent cancer chemotherapy).

We request comments on the factors we considered in determining which drugs to package in 2003. We are particularly interested in comments with respect to the exclusion of high cost drugs from packaging. We are continuing to analyze the effect of our drug packaging proposal to assess whether the $150 threshold should be adjusted to avoid significant overpayments or underpayments for the base APCs relative to the median costs of the individual drugs packaged into the APCs. Depending on this analysis, we may revise our threshold or criteria for packaging in the final rule for 2003.

We expect to further consider each of these exclusions for packaging when we develop our proposals for the 2004 OPPS.

Although we expect to expand packaging of drugs to package payment for more drugs into the APC for the services with which they are billed, we are, nonetheless, requesting comments on alternatives to packaging. One example of an alternative approach is to use different criteria from those we propose in this proposed rule to identify the drugs to package into procedure APCs and the drugs to pay separately. We could package all drugs for which the median cost was less than $500 or alternatively package drugs for which the median cost was less than $100. Another alternative approach would be to create APCs for groups of drugs based on their costs. Under such an approach we could group drugs with costs between $0 and $100 and pay at the mid-point—$50. The next group could consist of drugs with a median cost between $100 and $250 and pay at the mid-point—$175. This approach would be similar to that employed for new technology services. Another approach would be to create separate APCs for each drug. Under this approach we would create a separate APC for each drug (regardless of its median cost) and use its relative weight to calculate a payment rate for the drug. We welcome a full discussion of the alternatives as we determine the best way to ensure that hospitals are paid appropriately for the drugs they administer to the Medicare beneficiaries whom they treat in their outpatient departments.

Table 8 lists drugs and biologicals for which separate payment is currently being made in 2002 with either status indicator ''K'' or ''G'' and whose costs we propose to package in 2003. Drugs that we propose to pay for separately in 2003 are designated in Addendum B by status indicator ''K'' or ''G.''.

TABLE 8.—DRUGS AND BIOLOGICALS SEPARATELY PAYABLE IN CY 2002

HCPCS	Short description
90296	Diphtheria antitoxin
90375	Rabies ig, im/sc
90376	Rabies ig, heat treated
90378	Rsv ig, im, 50mg
90379	Rsv ig, iv
90385	Rh ig, minidose, im
90389	Tetanus ig, im
90393	Vaccina ig, im
90396	Varicella-zoster ig, im
90471	Immunization admin
90476	Adenovirus vaccine, type 4
90477	Adenovirus vaccine, type 7
90585	Bcg vaccine, percut
90586	Bcg vaccine, intravesical
90632	Hep a vaccine, adult im
90633	Hep a vacc, ped/adol, 2 dose
90634	Hep a vacc, ped/adol, 3 dose
90645	Hib vaccine, hboc, im
90646	Hib vaccine, prp-d, im
90647	Hib vaccine, prp-omp, im
90648	Hib vaccine, prp-t, im
90665	Lyme disease vaccine, im
90675	Rabies vaccine, im
90676	Rabies vaccine, id
90680	Rotovirus vaccine, oral
90690	Typhoid vaccine, oral
90691	Typhoid vaccine, im
90692	Typhoid vaccine, h-p, sc/id
90700	Dtap vaccine, im
90701	Dtp vaccine, im
90702	Dt vaccine < 7, im
90703	Tetanus vaccine, im
90704	Mumps vaccine, sc
90705	Measles vaccine, sc
90706	Rubella vaccine, sc
90707	Mmr vaccine, sc
90708	Measles-rubella vaccine, sc
90710	Mmrv vaccine, sc
90712	Oral poliovirus vaccine
90713	Poliovirus, ipv, sc
90716	Chicken pox vaccine, sc
90717	Yellow fever vaccine, sc
90718	Td vaccine > 7, im
90719	Diphtheria vaccine, im
90720	Dtp/hib vaccine, im
90721	Dtap/hib vaccine, im
90725	Cholera vaccine, injectable
90727	Plague vaccine, im
90733	Meningococcal vaccine, sc
90735	Encephalitis vaccine, sc
90749	Vaccine toxoid
A4642	Satumomab pendetide per dose

TABLE 8.—DRUGS AND BIOLOGICALS SEPARATELY PAYABLE IN CY 2002—Continued

HCPCS	Short description
A9500	Technetium TC 99m sestamibi
A9502	Technetium TC99M tetrofosmin
A9503	Technetium TC 99m medronate
A9504	Technetium tc 99m apcitide
A9505	Thallous chloride TL 201/mci
A9508	Iobenguane sulfate I–131
A9510	Technetium TC99m Disofenin
A9700	Echocardiography Contrast
C1066	IN 111 satumomab pendetide
C1079	CO 57/58 per 0.5 uCi
C1087	I–123 per 100 uCi
C1094	TC99Malbumin aggr, per 1.0 mCi
C1097	TC 99M MEBROFENIN, PER Vial
C1098	TC 99M PENTETATE, PER Vial
C1099	TC 99M PYROPHOSPHATE, PER Via
C1166	CYTARABINE LIPOSOMAL, 10 mg
C1188	I–131 cap, per 1–5 mCi
C1200	TC 99M Sodium Glucoheptonat
C1201	TC 99M SUCCIMER, PER Vial
C1202	TC 99M SULFUR COLLOID, Vial
J2020	Linezolid inj, 200mg
J7525	Tacrolimus inj, per 5 mg
C9007	Baclofen Intrathecal kit-1am
C9008	Baclofen Refill Kit-500mcg
J0706	Caffeine Citrate, inj, 1ml
C9100	Iodinated I–131 Albumin
C9102	51 Na Chromate, 50 mCi
C9103	Na Iothalamate I–125, 10 uCi
J0150	Injection adenosine 6 MG
J0350	Injection anistreplase 30 u
J0640	Leucovorin calcium injection
J0706	Caffeine Citrate, inj, per 5 mg
J1245	Dipyridamole injection
J1260	Dolasetron mesylate
J1325	Epoprostenol injection
J1327	Eptifibatide injection
J1436	Etidronate disodium inj
J1438	Etanercept injection
J1565	RSV-ivig
J1570	Ganciclovir sodium injection
J1620	Gonadorelin hydroch/ 100 mcg
J1626	Granisetron HCl injection
J1670	Tetanus immune globulin inj
J1830	Interferon beta-1b / .25 MG
J2260	Inj milrinone lactate / 5 ML
J2275	Morphine sulfate injection
J2405	Ondansetron hcl injection
J2765	Metoclopramide hcl injection
J2770	Quinupristin/dalfopristin
J2820	Sargramostim injection
J2995	Inj streptokinase /250000 IU
J2997	Alteplase recombinant
J3010	Fentanyl citrate injeciton
J3280	Thiethylperazine maleate inj
J3365	Urokinase 250,000 IU inj
J7310	Ganciclovir long act implant
J7316	Sodium hyaluronate injection, per 5 mg
J7500	Azathioprine oral 50 mg
J7501	Azathioprine parenteral
J7506	Prednisone oral
J7516	Cyclosporin parenteral 250 mg
J8510	Oral busulfan
J8530	Cyclophosphamide oral 25 MG
J8600	Melphalan oral 2 MG
J8610	Methotrexate oral 2.5 MG
J9000	Doxorubic hcl 10 MG vl chemo
J9020	Asparaginase injection
J9031	Bcg live intravesical vac
J9050	Carmus bischl nitro inj
J9070	Cyclophosphamide 100 MG inj
J9093	Cyclophosphamide lyophilized
J9100	Cytarabine hcl 100 MG inj

TABLE 8.—DRUGS AND BIOLOGICALS SEPARATELY PAYABLE IN CY 2002—Continued

HCPCS	Short description
J9120	Dactinomycin actinomycin d
J9130	Dacarbazine 10 MG inj
J9181	Etoposide 10 MG inj
J9190	Fluorouracil injection
J9212	Interferon alfacon-1
J9213	Interferon alfa-2a inj
J9214	Interferon alfa-2b inj
J9215	Interferon alfa-n3 inj
J9230	Mechlorethamine hcl inj
J9250	Methotrexate sodium inj
J9270	Plicamycin (mithramycin) inj
J9320	Streptozocin injection
J9340	Thiotepa injection
J9360	Vinblastine sulfate inj
J9370	Vincristine sulfate 1 MG inj
Q0163	Diphenhydramine HCl 50 mg
Q0164	Prochlorperazine maleate 5 mg
Q0166	Granisetron HCl 1 mg oral
Q0167	Dronabinol 2.5 mg oral
Q0169	Promethazine HCl 12.5 mg oral
Q0171	Chlorpromazine HCl 10 mg oral
Q0173	Trimethobenzamide HCl 250 mg
Q0174	Thiethylperazine maleate 10 mg
Q0175	Perphenazine 4 mg oral
Q0177	Hydroxyzine pamoate 25 mg
Q0179	Ondansetron HCl 8 mg oral
Q0180	Dolasetron mesylate oral
Q2002	Elliotts b solution per ml
Q2003	Aprotinin, 10,000 kiu
Q2004	Bladder calculi irrig sol
Q2007	Ethanolamine oleate 100 mg
Q2008	Fomepizole, 15 mg
Q2009	Fosphenytoin, 50 mg
Q2010	Glatiramer acetate, per dose
Q2013	Pentastarch 10% solution
Q2014	Sermorelin acetate, 0.5 mg
J2940	Somatrem injection
Q2018	Urofollitropin, 75 iu
Q2021	Lepirudin
Q3002	Gallium ga 67
Q3004	Xenon xe 133
Q3005	Technetium tc99m mertiatide
Q3006	Technetium tc99m glucepatate
Q3007	Sodium phosphate p32
Q3009	Technetium tc99m oxidronate
Q3010	Technetium tc99m labeledrbcs

3. Brachytherapy

Section 1833(t)(6) of the Act requires us to establish transitional pass-through payments for devices of brachytherapy. As of August 1, 2000, we established item-specific device codes including codes for brachytherapy seeds, needles, and catheters. Effective April 1, 2001, we established category codes for brachytherapy seeds on a per seed basis (one for each isotope), brachytherapy needles on a per needle basis, and brachytherapy catheters on a per catheter basis. Because initial payment was made for a device in each of these categories in August 2000, we propose that these categories (and the transitional pass-through payments) will be discontinued as of January 1, 2003. Furthermore, as discussed above, we propose that there will be no grace period for billing these category codes.

We received comments, both in writing and at the April 2002 Town Hall meeting, recommending that we continue to make separate payment for brachytherapy seeds. The basis for this recommendation is that the number of brachytherapy seeds implanted per procedure is variable. These commenters stated that the number and type of seeds implanted in a given patient depends on the type of tumor, its size, extent, and biology, and the amount of radioactivity contained in each seed. For example, a given type of cancer may be treated by implanting seeds of different isotopes (for example, iodine or palladium) depending on its biological characteristics. Further, depending on the size of the tumor, the number of implanted seeds that may be required to effectively treat the cancer is quite variable (for example, from 25 to 100 seeds). In addition, implantable seeds may be manufactured with different amounts of radioactivity, and it may be preferable to implant fewer seeds with higher activity in some cases while in other cases it may be preferable to implant a larger number of seeds with lower activity. To further complicate the matter, the HCPCS codes used to report implantation of brachytherapy seeds are not tumor-specific. Instead, they are defined based on the number of sources, that is, the number of seeds or ribbons used in the procedure. This means that the treatment of many different tumors requiring implantation of widely

varying numbers of seeds is described by a single HCPCS code. Therefore, it has been argued that given the costs of seeds and the variety of treatments described by a single HCPCS code, the cost of brachytherapy billed under a single HCPCS code could vary by as much as $3,000.

In determining whether to package seeds into their associated procedures, we considered all these factors as well as our claims data. Consistent with our proposed policy for other device costs and the cost of many drugs, as well as with the principles of a prospective payment system, our preferred policy is to package the cost of brachytherapy devices into their associated procedures. For 2003, in the case of remote afterloading high intensity brachytherapy and prostate brachytherapy, which we discuss below, we propose to package the costs into payment for the procedures with which they are billed.

For other uses of brachytherapy, we propose to defer packaging of brachytherapy seeds for at least 1 year. In those cases, when paying separately in 2003 for brachytherapy seeds, we propose to continue payment on a per seed basis. The payment amount would be based on the median cost of brachytherapy seeds, per seed, as determined from our claims data.

We solicit comments on methodologies we might use to package all brachytherapy seeds beginning in CY 2004. For example, creation of tumor-specific brachytherapy HCPCS codes would reduce the variability in seed implantation costs associated with the current HCPCS codes used for seed implantation.

As stated above, beginning January 1, 2003, we propose to package payment for brachytherapy seeds into the payment for the following two types of brachytherapy services:

Remote Afterloading High Intensity Brachytherapy.

Participants in the April 5, 2002 Town Hall meeting expressed concern about packaging single use brachytherapy seeds into payment for procedures.

Remote afterloading high intensity brachytherapy treatment does not involve implantation of seeds. Instead, it utilizes a single radioactive ''source'' of high dose iridium with a 90-day life span. This single source is purchased and used multiple times in multiple patients over its life. One or more temporary catheters are inserted into the area requiring treatment, and the radioactive source is briefly inserted into each catheter and then removed. Because the source never comes in direct contact with the patient, it may be used for multiple patients. We note that the cost of the radioactive source, per procedure, is the same irrespective of how many catheters are inserted into the patient. Further, because the number of treatments administered with a single source over a 90-day period may vary and because the cost of the source is fixed, it is difficult if not impossible to determine a per ''treatment'' cost for the source. Moreover, we believe that the costs of this type of source should be amortized over the life of the source. Therefore, each hospital administering this type of therapy should include a charge (which is hospital-specific) for the radiation source in the charge for the procedure. Therefore, we propose to package the costs associated with high dose iridium into the HCPCS codes used to describe this procedure. Those codes are: 77781, 77782, 77783, and 77784.

Prostate Brachytherapy

The preponderance of brachytherapy claims under OPPS to date is for prostate brachytherapy. Brachytherapy is administered in several other organ systems, but the claims volume for non-prostate brachytherapy is very small, and hence our base of information on which to make payment decisions is slim. Furthermore, prostate brachytherapy uses only two isotopes, which are similar in cost, while brachytherapy on other organs involves a variety of isotopes with greater variation in cost. Consequently, we believe it would be prudent to wait for further experience to develop before proceeding to package non-prostate brachytherapy seeds.

A number of commenters at the April 5, 2002, Town Hall Meeting and elsewhere have stressed to us their views that brachytherapy seeds should remain unpackaged. The principle argument put forth in favor of this approach is that the number of seeds used is highly variable across patients. We do not find this argument compelling. Payments in the OPPS, as in other prospective payment systems, are based on averages. We expect hospitals, in general, to be able to accommodate variation across patients in resource costs of services paid in a particular payment cell. The degree of variation should be immaterial as long as the payment is appropriate for a typical case, the hospital treats a caseload the resource use of which approximates a typical distribution, and the number of cases treated by a hospital is sufficiently large to overcome peculiarities in resource use that might be observed with a very small number of cases. We believe the service volume at hospitals providing prostate brachytherapy is likely to be large enough for a payment reflecting average use of seeds to be appropriate.

Additionally, appropriate payment for prostate brachytherapy has been of concern to many commenters since implementation of the OPPS because facilities must use multiple HCPCS codes on a single claim to accurately describe the entire procedure. Because we determine APC relative weights using single procedure claims, commenters have argued that payments for prostate brachytherapy are, in part, based on error claims, resulting in underpayment for this important service. We agree that basing the relative weights for APCs reported for prostate brachytherapy services on only the small number of claims related to this service that are single procedure claims may be problematic. To increase the number of claims we could use to develop the proposed 2003 relative payment weights for prostate brachytherapy, we began by identifying all claims billed in 2001 for prostate brachytherapy. That is, we identified all claims that contained a line item for HCPCS code 77778, Interstitial radiation source application; complex, and HCPCS code 55859, Transperineal placement of needles or catheters into prostate for interstitial radioelement application, with or without cystoscopy. We discovered more than 12,000 claims that met these specifications, suggesting that most of the procedures coded under HCPCS code 77778 were for prostate brachytherapy. Unfortunately, closer analysis of these claims revealed that hospitals do not report prostate brachytherapy using a uniform combination of codes. Of the more than 12,000 claims for prostate brachytherapy that we identified in the 2001 claims data, no single combination of HCPCS codes occurred more than 25 times.

Therefore, in order to facilitate tracking of this service, we propose to establish a G code for hospital use only that will specifically identify prostate brachytherapy. We propose as the descriptor for this G code the following: ''Prostate brachytherapy, including transperineal placement of needles or catheters into the prostate, cystoscopy, and interstitial radiation source application.'' This G code would be used by hospitals instead of HCPCS codes 55859 and 77778 to bill for prostate brachytherapy. Hospitals would continue to use HCPCS codes 55859 and 77778 when reporting services other than prostate brachytherapy. We would also instruct hospitals to continue to

report separately other services provided in conjunction with prostate brachytherapy, such as dosimetry and ultrasound guidance. These additional services would be paid according to the APC payment rate established by our usual methodology.

This G code will allow us to package brachytherapy seeds into the procedures for administering prostate brachytherapy while permitting us to pay separately for brachytherapy seeds which are administered for other procedures. Therefore, we propose to package the costs of the brachytherapy seeds, catheters, and needles into the payment for the prostate brachytherapy G code. In order to develop a payment amount for this G code, we used all claims where both HCPCS codes 55859 and 77778 appeared. We packaged all revenue centers and appropriate HCPCS codes, that is, HCPCS with status indicator ''N.'' We then determined median costs of the line items for HCPCS codes 55859 and 77778 and added the two. Next, we packaged the costs of all C codes, whether an item-specific or a device category code, into the payment amount. We propose to assign APC 0684 with status indicator ''T.'' We believe the payment rate proposed for this G code appropriately reflects the costs of the procedures, the brachytherapy seeds, and any other devices associated with these procedures. We solicit comments on this proposal.

Packaging of Other Device Costs Associated with Brachytherapy

We propose to package the costs of brachytherapy needles and catheters with whichever procedures they are reported, similar to our proposal for packaging the costs of other devices that will no longer be eligible for a transitional pass-through payment in 2003. Because the HCPCS code descriptors for brachytherapy are based on the number of catheters or needles used, we believe the costs of these devices would be appropriately reflected within the costs of the associated procedure.

D. Criteria for New Device Categories

Section 1833(t)(6)(B)(ii) of the Act, as amended by BIPA, required us to establish criteria by July 1, 2001 that will be used to create additional device categories to be used in determining eligibility of a device for pass-through payments. This provision requires that no medical device be described by more than one category. In addition, the criteria must include a test of whether the average cost of devices that would be included in a category is ''not insignificant'' in relation to the APC payment amount for the associated service.

On November 2, 2001, we published in the **Federal Register** an interim final rule (66 FR 55850) that set forth the criteria for establishing new (that is, additional) categories of medical devices eligible for transitional pass-through payments under the hospital outpatient PPS as required by section 1833(t)(6)(B)(ii) of the Act. The provisions relating to transitional pass-through payments for eligible drugs and biologicals remained unchanged and were not addressed in the November 2001 interim final rule (except for a change relating to contrast agents as provided in section 430 of BIPA). We received several public comments regarding our criteria published in the November 2001 interim final rule. We will respond to these public comments in the final rule for the OPPS for 2003.

In the November 2, 2001 interim final rule, we implemented new § 419.66(c), which establishes the criteria for establishing a new device category. We propose to make a technical correction to § 419.66(c)(1), which establishes one of those criteria. Specifically, we discuss in the November 2, 2001 interim final rule the criterion that a new category must describe devices that demonstrate substantial improvement in medical benefits for Medicare beneficiaries compared to the benefits obtained by devices in previously established (that is, previously existing) categories or other available treatments, as described in regulations at new § 419.66(c)(1) (66 FR 55852). Section 1833(t)(6)(B)(ii)(IV) of the Act requires that a new category must include medical devices for which no existing category, or one previously in effect, is appropriate. In the November 2, 2001 IFC, we addressed in the preamble the requirement that no category previously in effect could describe a new category (66 FR 55852), but we did not conform the regulations text to this requirement. Therefore, we propose to correct § 419.66(c)(1) to read as follows:

(1) CMS determines that a device to be included in the category is not described by any of the existing categories or by any category previously in effect, and was not being paid for as an outpatient service as of December 31, 1996.

E. Payment for Transitional Pass-Through Drugs and Biologicals for Calendar Year 2003

As discussed in the November 13, 2000 interim final rule (65 FR 67809) and the November 30, 2001 final rule (66 FR 59895), we update the payment rates for pass-through drugs on an annual basis. Therefore, as we have done for prior updates, we propose to update the APC rates for drugs that are eligible for pass-through payments in 2003 using the most recent version of the Red Book, the July 2002 version in this case. The updated rates effective January 1, 2003 would remain in effect until we implement the next annual update in 2004, when we would again update the AWPs for any pass-through drugs based on the latest quarterly version of the Red Book. This retains the update of pass-through drug prices on the same calendar year schedule as the other annual OPPS updates.

As described in our final rule of November 30, 2001 (66 FR 59894), in order to establish the applicable beneficiary copayment amount and the pass-through payment amount, we must determine the cost of the pass-through eligible drug or biological that would have been included in the payment rate for its associated APC had the drug or biological been packaged. We used hospital acquisition costs as a proxy for the amount that would have been packaged, based on data from an external survey of hospital drug costs (see the April 7, 2000 final rule (65 FR 18481)). That survey concluded that—

- For drugs available through only one source drugs, the ratio of acquisition cost to AWP equals 0.68;
- For multisource drugs, the ratio of acquisition cost to AWP equals 0.6l;
- For drugs with generic competitors, the ratio is 0.43.

As we stated in our final rule of November 30, 2001 (66 FR 59896), we considered the use of the study-derived ratios of drug costs to AWP to be an interim measure until we could obtain data on hospital costs from claims. We stated that we anticipated having this data to use in setting payment rates for 2003.

As described elsewhere in this preamble, we used 2001 claims data to calculate a median cost per unit of drug for each drug for which we are currently paying separately. We compared the median per unit cost of each drug to the AWP to determine a ratio of acquisition cost to AWP. Using the total units billed for each drug, we then calculated a weighted average for each of the above three categories of drugs. These calculations resulted in the following weighted average ratios:

- For sole-source drugs, the ratio of cost to AWP equals 71.0 percent.
- For multisource drugs, the ratio of cost to AWP equals 68.0 percent.
- For drugs with generic competitors, the ratio of cost to AWP equals 46.0 percent.

We propose to use these percentages for determining the applicable beneficiary copayment amount and the pass-through payment amount for drugs eligible for pass-through payment in 2003.

We propose to use these percentages for determining the applicable beneficiary copayment amount and the pass-through payment amount for most drugs eligible for pass-through payment in 2003. However some drugs may fall into two other classes. The first class includes a drug that is new and for which no cost is yet included in an associated APC. For such a drug, because there is no cost for the drug yet included in an associated APC, the pass-through amount will be 95 percent of the AWP and there would be no copayment. The second class includes a drug that is new and is a substitute for only one drug that is recognized in the OPPS through an unpackaged APC. For drugs in this second class, the pass-through amount would be the difference between 95 percent of the AWP for the pass-through drug and the payment rate for the comparable dose of the associated drug's APC. The copayment would be based on the payment rate of its associated APC. We believe that using this methodology will yield a more accurate payment rate.

We have received questions with respect to our definition of multisource drugs. In determining whether a drug is available from multiple sources, we consider repackagers to be among the sources. This is consistent with the findings of the survey cited above which indicated a lower ratio of acquisition cost to AWP from multiple sources including repackagers.

We note that determining that a drug is eligible for a pass-through payment or assigning a status indicator ''K'' to a drug or biological (indicating that the drugs or biologicals is paid based on a separate APC rate) indicates only the method by which the drug or biological is paid if it is covered by the Medicare program. It does not represent a determination that the drug is covered by the Medicare program. For example, Medicare contractors must determine whether the drug or biological is: (1) reasonable and necessary to treat the beneficiary's conditions; and (2) excluded from payment because it is usually self-administered by the patient.

IV. Wage Index Changes for Calendar Year 2003

Section 1833(t)(2)(D) of the Act requires that we determine a wage adjustment factor to adjust for geographic wage differences, in a budget neutral manner, that portion of the OPPS payment rate and copayment amount that is attributable to labor and labor-related costs.

We used the proposed Federal fiscal year (FY) 2003 hospital inpatient PPS wage index to make wage adjustments in determining the proposed payment rates set forth in this proposed rule. The proposed FY 2003 hospital inpatient wage index published in the May 9, 2002 **Federal Register** (67 FR 31431) is reprinted in this proposed rule as Addendum H—Wage Index for Urban Areas; Addendum I—Wage Index for Rural Areas; and Addendum J—Wage Index for Hospitals That Are Reclassified. We propose to use the final FY 2003 hospital inpatient wage index to calculate the payment rates and coinsurance amounts that we will publish in the final rule implementing the OPPS for CY 2003.

V. Copayment for Calendar Year 2003

Section 1833(t)(8)(C)(ii) of the Act accelerates the reduction of beneficiary copayment amounts, providing that, for services furnished on or after April 1, 2001 and before January 1, 2002, the national unadjusted coinsurance for an APC cannot exceed 57 percent of the APC payment rate. The statute provides that the national unadjusted coinsurance for an APC cannot exceed 55 percent in 2002 and 2003. The statute provides for further reductions in future years so that the national unadjusted coinsurance for an APC cannot exceed 55 percent of the APC payment rate in 2002 and 2003, 50 percent in 2004, 45 percent in 2005, and 40 percent in 2006 and thereafter.

For 2003, we determined copayment amounts for new and revised APCs using the same methodology that we implemented for 2002 (see the November 30, 2001 final at 66 FR 59888). See Addendum B for proposed national unadjusted copayments for 2003. Our regulations at § 419.41 conform to this provision of the Act.

VI. Conversion Factor Update for Calendar Year 2003

Section 1833(t)(3)(C)(ii) of the Act requires us to update the conversion factor used to determine payment rates under the OPPS on an annual basis. Section 1833(t)(3)(C)(iv) of the Act provides that for 2003, the update is equal to the hospital inpatient market basket percentage increase applicable to hospital discharges under section 1886(b)(3)(B)(iii) of the Act.

The most recent forecast of the hospital market basket increase for FY 2003 is 3.5 percent. To set the proposed OPPS conversion factor for 2003, we increased the 2002 conversion factor of $50.904 (the figure from the March 1, 2002 final rule (67 FR 9556)) by 3.5 percent.

In accordance with section 1833(t)(9)(B) of the Act, we further adjusted the proposed conversion factor for 2003 to ensure that the revisions we are proposing to update by means of the wage index are made on a budget-neutral basis. We calculated a budget neutrality factor of .98715 for wage index changes by comparing total payments from our simulation model using the proposed FY 2003 hospital inpatient PPS wage index values to those payments using the current (FY 2002) wage index values.

The increase factor of 3.5 percent for 2003 and the required wage index budget neutrality adjustment of .98715 result in a proposed conversion factor for 2003 of 52.009.

VII. Outlier Policy for Calendar Year 2003

For OPPS services furnished between August 1, 2000 and April 1, 2002, we calculated outlier payments in the aggregate for all OPPS services that appear on a bill in accordance with section 1833(t)(5)(D) of the Act. In the November 30, 2001 final rule (66 FR 59856, 59888), we specified that beginning with 2002, we will calculate outlier payments based on each individual OPPS service. We revised the aggregate method that we had used to calculate outlier payments and began to determine outliers on a service-by-service basis.

As explained in the April 7, 2000 final rule (65 FR 18498), we set a target for outlier payments at 2.0 percent of total payments. For purposes of simulating payments to calculate outlier thresholds, we propose to continue to set the target for outlier payments at 2.0 percent, as we did for CYs 2001 and 2002. For 2002, the outlier threshold is met when costs of furnishing a service or procedure exceed 3.5 times the APC payment amount, and the current outlier payment percentage is 50 percent of the amount of costs in excess of the threshold. Based on our simulations for 2003, we propose to set the threshold for 2003 at 2.75 times the APC payment amounts, and the proposed 2003 payment percentage applicable to costs over the threshold at 50 percent.

VIII. Other Policy Decisions and Proposed Changes

A. Hospital Coding for Evaluation and Management (E/M) Services

Background

Currently, facilities code clinic and emergency department visits using the same current procedural terminology (CPT) codes as physicians. For both clinic and emergency department visits, there are five levels of care. While there is only one set of codes for emergency visits, clinic visits are differentiated by new patient, established patient, and consultation visits. CPT codes 99201 through 99205 are used for new patients, CPT codes 99211 through 99215 are used for established patients, and CPT codes 99281 through 99285 for emergency patients.

Physicians determine the proper code for reporting their services by referring to CPT descriptors and our documentation guidelines. The descriptors and guidelines are helpful to physicians because they reference taking a history, performing an examination, and making medical decisions. The lower levels of service (for example, CPT codes 99201, 99211, and 99281) are used for shorter visits and for patients with uncomplicated problems, and the higher levels of service (for example, CPT codes 99205, 99215, and 99285) are used for longer visits and patients with complex problems.

These codes were defined to reflect the activities of physicians. It is generally agreed, however, that they do not describe well the range and mix of services provided by facilities to clinic and emergency patients (for example, ongoing nursing care, preparation for diagnostic tests, and patient education).

Before the implementation of the OPPS, facilities were paid on the basis of charges reduced to costs. In that system, because use of a correct HCPCS code did not influence payment, there was little incentive to correctly report the level of service. In fact, many facilities reported all clinic and emergency visits with the lowest level of service (for example, CPT codes 99211, 99201, and 99281) simply to minimize administrative burden (for example, charge-masters might include only one level of service).

This situation changed with the implementation of the OPPS. The OPPS requires correct reporting of services using HCPCS codes as a prerequisite to payment. For emergency and clinic visits, the OPPS distinguishes three levels of service for payment purposes. These are referred to as ‘‘low-level,’’ ‘‘mid-level,’’ and ‘‘high-level’’ emergency or clinic visits. Low-level clinic and emergency visits include CPT codes for level one and two services (for example, CPT codes 99201, 99211, and 99281), mid-level visits include level three services (for example, CPT codes 99203, 99213, and 99283), and high-level visits include level four and five services (for example, CPT codes 99205, 99215, and 99285). Payment rates for low-level visits are less than for mid-level visits, which are less than rates for high-level visits.

In the April 7, 2000 final rule (65 FR 18434), we stated that to pay hospitals properly, it was important that emergency and clinic visits be coded properly. To facilitate proper coding, we required each hospital to create an internal set of guidelines to determine what level of visit to report for each patient. We stated in the rule, that if hospitals set up these guidelines and follow them, they would be in compliance with OPPS coding requirements for the visits. Furthermore, we announced that we would be reviewing this issue and planned to set national guidelines for coding clinic and emergency visits in the future. In the August 24, 2001 proposed rule (66 FR 44672), we asked for public comments regarding national guidelines for hospital coding of emergency and clinic visits. We also announced that we would compile these comments and present them to our APC Panel at the January 2002 meeting. We also announced that we planned to propose uniform national facility coding guidelines in the proposed rule for the 2003 OPPS.

During its January 2002 meeting, the APC Panel reviewed written comments, heard oral testimony, discussed the issue, and made recommendations concerning establishment of facility coding guidelines for emergency and clinic visits. Among those who submitted oral and written comments to us and to the Panel were national hospital organizations, national physician organizations, hospital systems, individual hospitals, coding organizations, and consultants.

Discussion

We set forth below, by issue, a summary of the comments we received:

• The need for national coding guidelines.

Except for the American Medical Association (AMA) and one other physician organization, commenters unanimously agreed that national guidelines for facility coding of emergency and clinic visits were required. Furthermore, most commenters requested that we establish these guidelines as soon as possible, but, in any event, not later than January 2003. Among the reasons cited were the following:

+ The need for facilities to comply with the requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), no later than October 16, 2003 (October 16, 2002 for those entities that do not obtain a one-year extension). Commenters expressed concern that use of CPT E/M codes with different reporting rules when used by facilities (as opposed to use by physicians) would violate HIPAA requirements.

+ The need for facilities to set up effective audit and compliance programs.

+ The need to minimize confusion on the part of coders.

+ The need to minimize inaccurate payments.

+ The need to prevent gaming of the system by facilities.

The AMA recommended that we wait for the CPT Editorial Panel to develop coding guidelines for hospitals to assure that coding guidelines will be minimally burdensome to hospitals.

• The need to establish principles against which facility E/M coding guidelines would be measured. Commenters unanimously agreed that any set of coding guidelines for facilities would have to satisfy a uniform set of basic principles to be acceptable to, and accepted by, hospitals. These include the following:

+ Coding guidelines for emergency and clinic visits should be based on emergency department or clinic facility resource use, not physician resource use.

+ Coding guidelines should be clear, facilitate accurate payment, be usable for compliance purposes and audits, and meet HIPAA requirements.

+ Coding guidelines should only require documentation that is clinically necessary for patient care. Preferably, coding guidelines should be based on current hospital documentation requirements.

+ Coding guidelines should not facilitate upcoding or gaming.

We would add one other requirement to these principles: The distribution of codes should result in a normal curve. Documentation guidelines should facilitate this result.

• Current use of hospital coding guidelines is inconsistent and much more prevalent in the emergency department.

Several commenters noted that many hospitals have developed their own coding guidelines but that no specific

set of guidelines is in widespread use at the present time. These commenters noted that guidelines have been used much more in the emergency department setting than in the clinic setting. They also noted that only one set of guidelines has undergone any sort of testing. These are the facility coding guidelines for emergency departments, developed and copyrighted by the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP). Unfortunately, the testing was not done by protocol, no quantitative data were collected, and only a small number of facilities participated.

• Development of two sets of guidelines: one for emergency department visits and one for clinic visits.

Several commenters noted that the types and intensity of hospital resources used for emergency department visits were significantly different from the types and intensity of resources used for clinic visits. These commenters recommended that we adopt different guidelines for emergency department and clinic visits.

• The need to develop new descriptors and codes for facility emergency and clinic visits.

Commenters unanimously agreed that the current CPT descriptors for E/M services were not only inappropriate for facility coding of emergency and clinic visits but also were confusing and misleading to both facility coders and our reviewers. Commenters stated that patients whose complexity level was low in terms of physician work could frequently require highly intensive and complex facility services (for example, patients with gastroenteritis who require intravenous fluids, patients in motor vehicle accidents who require multiple X-rays, or patients with congestive heart failure or diabetes who require extensive education). In these cases, lack of agreement between physician and hospital coding would be clinically appropriate but could be the source of an investigation given the current code descriptors and hospital reporting guidelines. Commenters were also concerned that internal hospital-specific coding guidelines could vary greatly because the current CPT descriptors exclude any reference to facility services and, therefore, are highly susceptible to individual interpretation. A third concern was HIPAA compliance. Commenters believe that development by individual hospitals of a second set of descriptors that the hospital uses when reporting E/M codes could violate HIPAA requirements. These commenters believe that when HIPAA is first implemented on October 16, 2002 (October 16, 2003 for those entities that obtain a one-year extension), Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes must be used uniformly by all providers. Two sets of descriptors for a single set of codes would require that different providers (that is, physicians and hospitals) use the codes differently. Based on these concerns, all commenters recommended that we develop, on an interim basis, HCPCS codes for emergency and clinic visits with descriptors specific for hospital coding.

• Maintenance of five levels of service.

Although a few commenters were not certain that facilities needed to differentiate among five levels of service, they believe that reducing the number of levels of service, even if clinically appropriate, would cause significant confusion among coders and reviewers. Therefore, they recommended maintaining five levels of service on an interim basis until more data on this issue can be obtained.

• Recommendations concerning adoption of specific guidelines.

Commenters recommended four basic types of guidelines for adoption.

1. Guidelines based on the number or type of staff interventions. Under this model, the level of service reported would be based on the number and/or type of interventions performed by nursing or ancillary staff. In the intervention model, baseline care (including registration, triage, initial nursing assessment, periodic vital signs as appropriate, simple discharge instructions, and exam room set up/clean up) and possibly a single minor intervention (for example, suture removal, rapid strep test, visual acuity) would be reported by the lowest level of service. Higher levels of service would be reported as the number and/or complexity of staff interventions increased.

The most commonly recommended intervention-based guidelines were the facility-coding guidelines developed by ACEP. The ACEP model uses examples of interventions to illustrate appropriate coding. Coders extrapolate from these examples to determine the correct level of service to report. The ACEP model uses the type of intervention rather than the number of interventions to determine the appropriate level of service. This means that the single most complex intervention determines the level of service whether it was the only service provided (in addition to baseline care), whether other similarly complex interventions were also provided, or whether other interventions of less complexity were also provided. The intervention model is based on emergency/clinic resource use, is simple, reflects the care given to the patient, and does not require additional facility documentation. However, we are concerned that the intervention model may provide an incentive to provide unnecessary services and that it is susceptible to upcoding. Furthermore, the ACEP model requires extrapolation from a set of examples that could make it prone to variability across hospitals.

2. Guidelines based on the time staff spent with the patient. Under this model, the level of service would be determined based on the amount of time hospital staff spent with the patient. The underlying assumption is that staff time spent with the patient is an appropriate proxy for total facility resource consumption. In this model, if only baseline care (as described above) were provided a Level 1 service would be reported. Higher levels of service would be reported based on increments of staff time beyond baseline care (for example, Level 2 would be reported for 11 to 20 minutes beyond baseline care, and Level 3 would be reported for 21 to 30 minutes beyond baseline care). This model is simple, it correlates with total facility resource use, and it would provide an objective standard for all hospitals to follow. However, extra, potentially burdensome, documentation (that is, documentation of staff time that is not normally required for clinical care) would be necessary, there would be an incentive to work slowly or use less efficient personnel, and there would be significant potential for upcoding and gaming.

3. Guidelines based on a point system where a certain number of points is assigned to each staff intervention based on the time, intensity, and staff type required for the intervention. In this model, points or weights are assigned to each facility service and/or intervention provided to a patient in the clinic or emergency department. The level of service is determined by the sum of the points for all services/interventions provided. Commenters recommended various approaches to a point system including point systems that assigned points based on the amount of staff time spent with the patient, the number of activities performed during the emergency department or clinic visit, and a combination of patient condition and activities performed. A point system would correlate with facility resource consumption and provide an objective standard. However, a point system could present significant burdens for hospitals in terms of requiring extra, clinically unnecessary, documentation. Point systems are

extremely complex, would probably require dedicated staff to monitor and maintain, and would be susceptible to upcoding and gaming.

4. Guidelines based on patient complexity. Several variations were recommended including assignment of level of service based on ICD–9–CM (International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Edition, Clinical Modification) diagnosis codes, assignment of level of service based on complexity of medical decision making, or assignment of level of service based on presenting complaint or medical problem. The premise for these systems is that many emergency departments follow established protocols based on patients presenting complaints and diagnoses. Therefore, assigning a level of service based on patient diagnosis should correlate with facility resource consumption. These systems require the use of a coding ''grid,'' which lists more than 100 examples of patient conditions and diagnosis and assigns a level of service to each example. When a patient has a condition that does not appear on the grid, the coder must extrapolate from the grid to the individual patient. These systems are extremely complex, demand significant interpretive work on the part of a coder (who may not have clinical experience), and are subject to variability across hospitals. No clinically unnecessary documentation would be required but, because the system is based on diagnosis, there is a significant potential for upcoding and gaming.

APC Panel Recommendations

The APC Panel reviewed the comments that we received, reviewed background material we prepared, and heard oral testimony. Most commenters recommended that we adopt the ACEP guidelines. However, one organization representing cancer centers stated that the most appropriate proxy for facility resource consumption in cancer care is staff time and asked that we consider basing our guidelines on staff time. Commenters agreed that we needed to address this problem in the proposed rule for CY 2003. They also agreed that to address potential HIPAA compliance issues, we should develop new HCPCS codes for facility visits; and that we should maintain five levels of service for emergency and clinic visits until data are available to show that only three levels of service are required to ensure accurate payments. Commenters also agreed that, for the same level of service, clinic resource consumption should be similar for new, established, and consultation patients. Therefore, we need only create a single set of five codes for clinic visits.

After a thorough discussion, the APC technical panel made the following recommendations:

1. Propose and make final facility coding guidelines for E/M services for calendar year 2003.

2. Create a series of G codes with appropriate descriptors for facility E/M services.

3. Maintain a single set of codes, with five levels of service, for emergency department visits.

4. Develop a single set of codes, with five levels of service, for clinic visits. The Panel specifically recommended that we not differentiate among visit types (for example, new, established, and consultation visits) for the purposes of facility coding of clinic visits.

5. Adopt the ACEP facility coding guidelines as the national guidelines for facility coding of emergency department visits.

6. Develop guidelines for clinic visits that are modeled on the ACEP guidelines but are appropriate for clinic visits.

7. Implement these guidelines as interim and continue to work with appropriate organizations and stakeholders to develop final guidelines.

Proposal

We have reviewed the written comments, the oral testimony before the APC Panel, and the Panel's recommendations. We agree that facility coding guidelines should be implemented as soon as possible. We are particularly concerned that facilities be able to comply with HIPAA requirements. We have worked, and will continue to work, on this issue, with hospitals, organizations representing hospitals, physicians, and organizations representing physicians. We note that the AMA CPT Editorial Panel is not currently considering the issue of facility coding guidelines for clinic visits and that the earliest any CPT guidelines could be implemented would be in January 2004. Additionally, consistent with the intent of the outpatient prospective payment system, we want to ensure that reporting of hospital emergency and clinic visits is resource based.

After careful review and consideration of written comments, oral testimony and the APC Panel's recommendations, we propose the following (for implementation no earlier than January 2004):

1. To develop five G codes to describe emergency department services: GXXX1—Level 1 Facility Emergency Services, GXXX2—Level 2 Facility Emergency Services, GXXX3—Level 3 Facility Emergency Services, GXXX4—Level 4 Facility Emergency Services, and GXXX5—Level 5 Facility Emergency Services.

2. To develop five G codes to describe clinic visits: GXXX6—Level 1 Facility Clinic Services, GXXX7—Level 2 Facility Clinic Services, GXXX8—Level 3 Facility Clinic Services, GXXX9—Level 4 Facility Clinic Services, and GXXX10—Level 5 Facility Clinic Services.

3. To replace CPT Visit Codes with the 10 new G codes for OPPS payment purposes.

4. To establish separate documentation guidelines for emergency visits and clinic visits.

With regard to the documentation guidelines, our primary concerns are to make appropriate payment for medically necessary care, to minimize the information collection and reporting burden on facilities, and to minimize any incentive to provide unnecessary or low quality care. We realize that many facilities use complaint or diagnosis driven care protocols and that current documentation standards do not include documentation of staff time or the complexity of diagnostic and therapeutic services provided. Therefore, in the interest of facilitating the delivery of medically necessary care in a clinically appropriate way, we believe that the potential drawbacks of each of the recommended sets of guidelines outweigh the potential benefits of creating uniformity and reproducibility. For example, any documentation system requiring counting or quantification of resource use has the potential to be burdensome, require clinically unnecessary documentation, and be susceptible to upcoding and gaming. Documentation systems using coding grids or a series of clinical examples for each level of service are subject to interpretation, may induce variability, may be overly complex and burdensome, and may result in disagreements with medical reviewers. We are also concerned that all the proposed guidelines allow counting of separately paid services (for example, intravenous infusion, x-ray, EKG, lab tests, etc.) as ''interventions'' or ''staff time'' in determining a level of service. We believe that, within the constraints of clinical care and management protocols, the level of service for emergency and clinic visits should be determined by resource consumption that is not otherwise separately payable.

To address these concerns, in addition to reviewing written comments, oral comments, and the APC

Panel recommendations, we have also reviewed the current distribution of paid emergency and clinic visit codes in the OPPS. With regard to emergency visits, we have observed that well over 50 percent of the visits are considered ''multiple procedure claims'' because the claim includes services such as diagnostic tests (for example, EKGs, x-rays) or therapeutic interventions (for example, intravenous infusions). The distribution of all emergency services is in a bell-shaped curve with a slight left shift because there are more claims for CPT codes 99281 and 99282 than for CPT codes 99284 and 99285. This pattern of coding is significantly different from physician billing for emergency services, which is skewed and peaks at CPT code 99284. We also note that the median costs for successive levels of emergency visits show an expected increase across APCs.

With regard to clinic visits, we have observed that more than 50 percent of the services are considered ''single claims'' meaning that they are billed without any other significant procedures such as diagnostic tests or therapeutic interventions. We also note that the distribution of clinic visits is skewed with the majority being low-level clinic visits. This distribution is consistent with pre-OPPS billing patterns where many facilities billed all clinic visits as low level visits. However, the median costs for different levels of clinic services, while similar within an APC, do not show the expected increase across the clinic visit APCs.

Based on our review, on the current distribution of coding for emergency and clinic visits, and on our understanding that hospitals set charges for services based on the resources used to provide those services, we believe that an incremental approach to developing and implementing documentation guidelines for emergency and clinic visits is appropriate. As hospitals become more familiar with the OPPS and with the need to differentiate emergency and clinic visits based on resource consumption, we will continue to review the advantages and disadvantages of detailed, uniform documentation guidelines. We plan to begin the development of uniform guidelines over the next year. If we are ready, we would propose the guidelines for comments in our **Federal Register** document for the calendar year 2004 update. For calendar year 2003, we propose the following new codes:

Emergency Visits

Our data indicate that, in general, hospitals under the OPPS are reporting emergency visits appropriately. We believe that insofar as hospitals have existing guidelines for determining the level of emergency service, those guidelines reflect facility resource consumption. Therefore, we propose that GXXX1—Level 1 Facility Emergency Services be reported when facilities deliver, and document, basic emergency department services. These services include registration, triage, initial nursing assessment, minimal monitoring in the emergency department (for example, one additional set of vital signs), minimal diagnostic and therapeutic services (for example, rapid strep test, urine dipstick), nursing discharge (including brief home instructions), and exam room set up/clean up. We would expect that these services would be delivered to patients who present with minor problems of low acuity.

With regard to GXXX2 through GXXX5, we propose to require that facilities develop internal documentation guidelines based on hospital resource consumption (for example, staff time). These guidelines must be appropriate for the type of services provided in the hospital and must also clearly differentiate the relative resource consumption for each level of service so that a medical reviewer can easily infer the type, complexity, and medical necessity of the services provided and validate the level of service reported. Because there is great variability in available facility resources, staff, and clinical protocols among facilities, we do not believe that it is advisable to require a single set of guidelines for all facilities. Instead, we believe it is appropriate for each facility to develop its own documentation guidelines that take into account the facility's clinical protocols, available facility resources, and staff types. As stated above, we are not proposing any specific requirements with regard to the basis of these guidelines. However, the guidelines must be tied to actual resource consumption in the emergency department such as number and type of staff interventions, staff time, clinical examples, or patient acuity. We also propose to require that facilities have documentation guidelines available for review upon request. The guidelines must emphasize relative resource consumption and must not, to the extent possible, set minimal requirements as a basis for determining the level of service (for example, require 30 minutes of staff time or five staff interventions to bill a Level 3 emergency visit).

If made final, these requirements would be interim. We will work with interested parties to revise these requirements and would propose any revision to these requirements in a future proposed rule.

Clinic Visits

The current distribution of codes for clinic visits may be due to a facility's continued use of pre-OPPS coding policies for clinic visits. We believe that over time facilities will become as experienced differentiating levels of clinic visits as they are at differentiating levels of emergency visits. Therefore, we propose a set of guidelines for clinic visits that parallels the requirements for emergency visits. We propose that GXXX6—Level 1 Facility Clinic Services, be reported when facilities deliver, and document, basic clinic services. These services include registration, triage, initial nursing assessment, minimal monitoring in the clinic (for example, one additional set of vital signs), minimal diagnostic and therapeutic services (for example, rapid strep test, urine dipstick), nursing discharge (including brief home instructions), and exam room set up/clean up. Our proposal for GXXX7 through GXXX10 is the same as for GXXX2 through GXXX5 except that the facility-specific guidelines must be tied to actual resource consumption in the clinic such as number and type of staff intervention, staff time, clinical examples, or patient acuity. The guidelines must also differentiate the relative resource consumption in the clinic for each level of service sufficiently so that a medical reviewer could easily infer the type, complexity, and medical necessity of the services provided to validate the level of service provided.

This proposal, if made final, would also be interim while we work with interested parties to revise the requirements. Any revision would be proposed in a future proposed rule.

We propose to make final, in the 2003 OPPS final rule, changes in coding for clinic and emergency department visits and requirements related to the development of documentation guidelines for the new codes. However, we propose to implement the new codes and documentation guidelines no earlier than January 1, 2004. This will give hospitals time to develop documentation guidelines for the new codes and prepare their internal billing systems to accommodate the changes. We will continue to work with hospitals throughout CY 2003 as they develop the

documentation guidelines. We solicit comments on this proposal overall as well as the specific components of the proposal.

B. Observation Services

Coding and Billing Instructions

On November 30, 2001, we published a final rule updating changes to the OPPS for 2002. We implemented provisions that allow separate payment for observation services under certain conditions. That is, a hospital may bill for a separate APC payment (APC 0339) for observation services for patients with diagnoses of chest pain, asthma, or congestive heart failure when certain criteria are met. The criteria discussed in the November 30, 2001 final rule and as corrected in the March 1, 2002 final rule are also explained in detail in section XI of a Program Memorandum to intermediaries issued on March 28, 2002 (Transmittal A–02–026). Payment for HCPCS code G0244, observation care provided by a facility to a patient with congestive heart failure, chest pain or asthma, minimum eight hours, maximum 48 hours, was effective for services furnished on or after April 1, 2002.

Section XI of Transmittal A–02–026 that was issued on March 28, 2002 provides additional billing and coding instructions and requirements that flow from the basic criteria that we implemented in the November 30, 2001 and the March 1, 2002 final rules. Although we do not address them explicitly in the final rules, the additional instructions and requirements in Transmittal A–02–026 were developed to implement the basic observation criteria within the programming logic of the outpatient code editor (OCE), which is used to process claims submitted by hospitals for payment under the OPPS. For example, in the November 30, 2001 final rule, we state that an emergency department visit (APC 0610, 0611, or 0612) or a clinic visit (APC 0600, 0601, or 0602) must be billed in conjunction with each bill for observation services (66 FR 59879). In section XI of Transmittal A–02–026, we state that an Evaluation and Management (E/M) code (referred to, incorrectly, in Transmittal A–02–026 as an ''Emergency Management'' code), for the emergency room, clinic visit, or critical care is required to be billed on the day before or the day that the patient is admitted to observation. That is, unless one of the CPT codes assigned to APCs 0600, 0601, 0602, 0610, 0611, 0612, or 0620 is billed on the day before or the day that the patient is admitted to observation, separate payment for G0244 is not allowed. The codes assigned to these APCs are categorized by CPT as E/M codes. Although we did not include APC 0620, Critical Care, among the APCs that must be billed in order to receive separate payment for observation services, we added it in the program memorandum because critical care is an E/M service which can be furnished in a clinic or an emergency department. Critical care may appropriately precede admission to observation for chest pain, asthma, or congestive heart failure. We clarify in Transmittal A–02–026 that both the associated E/M code and G0244 are paid separately if the observation criteria are met. We also specify that the E/M code associated with observation must be billed on the same claim as the observation service.

Similarly, in the November 30, 2001 and the March 1, 2002 final rules, we require that certain diagnostic tests be performed in order to bill for separate payment for observation services. In Transmittal A–02–026, in section XI.B.2, we list the diagnostic tests that the OCE looks for on a bill for G0244. This list, which amplifies what we published in the November 30, 2001 and March 1, 2002 final rules, is incomplete and should read as follows to reflect the current OCE logic that is applied to claims for G0244:

- For chest pain, at least two sets of cardiac enzymes [either two CPK (82550, 82552, or 82553), or two troponin (84484 or 84512)], *and* two sequential electrocardiograms (93005);
- For asthma, a peak expiratory flow rate (94010) or pulse oximetry (94760, 94761, or 94762);
- For congestive heart failure, a chest x-ray (71010, 71020, or 71030) *and* an electrocardiogram (93005) *and* pulse oximetry (94760, 94761, or 94762).
- Note: Pulse oximetry codes 94760, 94761, and 94762 are treated as packaged services under the OPPS. Although as packaged codes no separate payment is made for these codes, hospitals must separately report the HCPCS code and a charge for pulse oximetry in order to establish that observation services for congestive heart failure and asthma diagnoses meet the criteria for separate payment.

Transmittal A–02–026 also provides specific coding instructions that hospitals must use when billing for observation services that do not meet the criteria for separate payment under APC 0339. In addition, Transmittal A–02–026 addresses the use of modifier ''25 with the E/M code billed with G0244.

Direct Admissions to Observation

Since implementation of the provision for separate payment for observation services under APC 0339, a number of hospitals, hospital associations, and other interested parties have asked if separate payment for observation services would be allowed for a patient with chest pain, asthma, or congestive heart failure who is admitted directly into observation by order of the patient's physician but without having received critical care or E/M services in a hospital clinic or the emergency department on the day before or the day of admission to observation. We have responded during monthly CMS hospital open forum calls that, consistent with the criteria in the November 30, 2001 final rule, effective for services furnished on or after April 1, 2002, separate payment for observation services requires that an admission to observation be made by order of a physician in a hospital clinic or in a hospital emergency department. If a patient is directly admitted to observation but without an associated E/M service (including critical care) shown on the same bill, the hospital should bill observation services using revenue code 762 alone or revenue code 762 with one of the HCPCS codes for packaged observation services (CPT codes 99218, 99219, 99220, 99234, 99235, or 99236).

A related question has arisen in connection with a policy interpretation that was posted as a response to a ''Frequently Asked Question'' (FAQ) on our web site on September 12, 2000. The FAQ follows:

''Q.97: If a patient is admitted from the physician's office to the observation room, will there be no reimbursement?''

''A.97: Since observation is a packaged service, payment cannot be made if it is the only OPPS service on a claim. However, we believe that the ''admission'' of a patient to observation involves a low-level visit billed by the hospital, as well as whatever office visit the physician who arranged for the admission billed. Thus, when a patient arrives for observation arranged for by a physician in the community (that is, ''direct admit to observation''), and is not seen or assessed by a hospital-based physician, the hospital may bill a low-level visit code. This low-level visit code will capture the baseline nursing assessment, the creation of a medical record, the recording and initiation of telephone orders, etc. This visit may be coded only once during the period of observation. The observation charges should be shown in revenue code 762. The number of hours the patient was in

observation status should be shown in the units field. Payment for those services is packaged into the APC for the visit. Other services performed in connection with observation, such as lab, radiology, etc., should be billed for as well * * *''

We have been asked to clarify whether or not the low-level visit code suggested in the FAQ for patients directly admitted for observation services would satisfy the requirement that a line item for a hospital emergency visit, hospital clinic visit, or critical care appear on the same bill as HCPCS code G0244. Our response is that when we established the final criteria effective for services furnished on or after April 1, 2002, we did not contemplate that the low-level visit described in the FAQ would satisfy the requirement for the E/M code that a hospital must bill to show a hospital clinic visit or hospital emergency department visit was performed before observation services for asthma, congestive heart failure, or chest pain to bill and receive payment for G0244 under APC 0339.

In light of these questions, we have reviewed the criteria for separate payment for observation services under APC 0339, and we propose to modify the criteria and coding for observation services furnished on or after January 1, 2003. Specifically, we propose to create two new codes. These additional codes would allow us to collect data on the extent to which patients are directly admitted to hospital observation services without an associated hospital clinic visit or emergency department visit. The proposed codes are as follows:

G0LLL—Initial nursing assessment of patient directly admitted to observation with diagnosis of congestive heart failure, chest pain, or asthma.

G0MMM—Initial nursing assessment of patient directly admitted to observation with diagnosis other than congestive heart failure, chest pain, or asthma.

If a hospital directly admits to observation from a physician's office a patient with a diagnosis of congestive heart failure, asthma, or chest pain, we propose to require that G0LLL be billed with G0244. The current requirement that the hospital bill an emergency department visit (APC 0600, 0601, or 0602) or a clinic visit (APC 0610, 0611, or 0612) or a critical care service (APC 0620) in order to receive separate payment for observation services for patients not admitted directly from a physician's office would remain in effect. However, because the initial nursing assessment is part of any observation service, we propose not to make separate payment for G0LLL. Rather, we propose to assign status indicator ''N'' to G0LLL, to designate that charges submitted with G0LLL would be packaged into the costs associated with APC 0339. If G0LLL is billed, we would require that the medical record show that the patient was admitted directly from a physician's office for purposes of evaluating and treating chest pain, asthma, or congestive heart failure.

G0MMM describes the initial nursing assessment of a patient directly admitted to observation with a diagnosis other than chest pain, asthma, or congestive heart failure. We propose to assign G0MMM for payment under APC 0706, New Technology—Level I. We propose to require hospitals to bill G0MMM instead of the low level clinic visit referred to in the FAQ above to describe the initial nursing assessment of a patient directly admitted to observation with a diagnosis other than chest pain, asthma, or congestive heart failure. Separate payment would not be made for observation services billed with G0MMM. Rather, when billing G0MMM, hospitals would be required to use revenue code 762 alone or revenue code 762 with one of the HCPCS codes for packaged observation services (99218, 99219, 99220, 99234, 992335, or 99236). We propose to create G0MMM to establish a separately payable code into which costs for observation care for patients directly admitted for diagnoses other than asthma, chest pain, or congestive heart failure can be packaged and recognized.

We would use billing data for G0LLL and G0MMM in reviewing the provisions for payment of observation services in future updates of the OPPS. We invite comment on the extent to which these codes address the concerns that have been raised in connection with patients who are directly admitted to observation services.

Billing Intravenous Infusions With Observation

Based on questions and concerns raised by hospitals since implementation of payment for APC 0339 effective April 1, 2002, we have also reviewed the current status of billing intravenous infusions with observation. Several hospitals have noted that claims for G0244 when billed with intravenous infusion services reported with HCPCS code Q0084 are denied because of the ''T'' status indicator assigned to HCPCS code Q0084. Our current payment rules for G0244 require that G0244 be denied if a service with status indicator ''T'' is performed the day before, the day of, or the day after observation care. Because patients in observation may require intravenous infusions of fluid, we propose to create code G0EEE, Intravenous infusion during separately payable observation stay, per observation, payable under APC 0340 with status indicator ''X.'' When observation services that otherwise meet the billing requirements for separate payment under APC 0339 include an intravenous infusion administered as part of the observation care, G0EEE would be used to report the infusion service. We include instructions on the use of G0EEE in the program memorandum issued to implement OPPS coding changes for the October 1, 2002 OCE. We solicit comment on the use of this code.

We discuss this and other new Level II HCPCS codes proposed for payment under the OPPS in section II.B.3 of this preamble. We instruct hospitals to use G0EEE only when billing for payment under APC 0339. G0EEE includes placement of the IV access and should not be billed with CPT code 36000.

Annual Update of ICD–9 Diagnosis Codes

To receive payment for G0244, we require hospitals to bill specified ICD–9–CM diagnosis code(s). Because ICD–9–CM codes are updated effective October 1 of each year, we propose to issue by Program Memorandum any changes in the diagnosis codes required for payment of G0244 resulting from the ICD–9–CM annual update.

In the March 1, 2002 final rule (67 FR 9559) and in Transmittal A–02–026 issued on March 28, 2002, we listed the diagnosis codes required in order for separate payment of observation services under APC 0339 to be made for patients with congestive heart failure. We added by program memorandum the following new ICD–9–CM codes to the list of allowed diagnosis codes for separate payment for observation of patients with congestive heart failure, effective for services furnished on or after October 1, 2002:

428.20 unspecified systolic heart failure
428.21 acute systolic heart failure
428.22 chronic systolic heart failure
428.23 acute on chronic systolic heart failure
428.30 unspecified diastolic heart failure
428.31 acute diastolic heart failure
428.32 chronic diastolic heart failure
428.33 acute on chronic diastolic heart failure
428.40 unspecified combined systolic and diastolic heart failure
428.41 acute combined systolic and diastolic heart failure

428.42 chronic combined systolic and diastolic heart failure
428.43 acute on chronic combined systolic and diastolic heart failure

We invite comment on the addition of these diagnosis codes to the criteria for separate payment for observation services under APC 0339.

C. Payment Policy When a Surgical Procedure on the Inpatient List Is Performed on an Emergency Basis

As we state in section II.B.5 of this preamble, the inpatient list specifies those services that are only paid when provided in an inpatient setting. The inpatient list proposed for 2003 is printed as Addendum E. In Addendum B, status indicator C designates a HCPCS code that is on the inpatient list.

Over the past year, some hospitals and hospital associations have asked how a hospital could receive Medicare payment for a procedure on the inpatient list that had to be performed to resuscitate or stabilize a patient with an emergent, life-threatening condition who was transferred or died before being admitted as an inpatient. We reviewed within the context of our current policy the cases brought to our attention for which payment under the OPPS was denied because a procedure with status indicator C was on the bill. Based on that review, we propose to clarify our policy regarding Medicare payment when a procedure with status indicator C is performed under certain life-threatening, emergent conditions. We solicit comments on the extent to which the payment policy described below addresses hospitals' concerns. These comments would be most helpful if they are supported by specific examples of cases when hospitals have, in these instances, submitted bills for a procedure with OPPS status indicator C that were not paid.

1. Current Policy

In the April 7, 2000 final rule (65 FR 18451), in response to comments about the appropriate level of payment for patients who die in the emergency department, we set forth the following guidelines for fiscal intermediaries to use in determining how to make payment when a patient dies in the emergency department or is sent directly to surgery and dies there.

- If the patient dies in the emergency department, make payment under the outpatient PPS for services furnished.
- If the emergency department or other physician orders the patient to the operating room for a surgical procedure, and the patient dies in surgery, payment will be made based on the status of the patient. If the patient had been admitted as an inpatient, pay under the hospital inpatient PPS (a DRG-based payment).
- If the patient was not admitted as an inpatient, pay under the outpatient PPS (an APC-based payment).
- If the patient was not admitted as an inpatient and the procedure is designated as an inpatient-only procedure (payment status indicator C), no Medicare payment will be made for the procedure, but payment will be made for emergency department services.

The OPPS outpatient code editor (OCE) currently has an edit in place that generates a ''line item denial'' for a line on a claim that has a status indicator C. A line item denial means that the claim can be processed for payment but with some line items denied for payment. A line item denial can be appealed under the provisions of section 1869 of the Act. The OCE includes another edit that denies all other line items furnished on the same day as a line item with a status indicator C. The rationale for this edit is that all line items for services furnished on the same date as the procedure with status indicator C would be considered inpatient services and paid under the appropriate DRG.

As part of the definition of line item denial in the program memorandum that we issue quarterly to update the OCE specifications (for example, see Program Memorandum/Intermediaries, Transmittal A–02–052, June 18, 2002, which is available on our website at *http://www.hcfa.gov/pubforms/transmit/A02052.pdf*), we state that a line item denial cannot be resubmitted except for an emergency room visit in which a patient dies during a procedure that is categorized as an inpatient procedure: ''Under such circumstances, the claim can be resubmitted as an inpatient claim.''

In Addendum D of the March 1, 2002 final rule, we designate payment status indicator ''C'' as follows: ''Admit patient; bill as inpatient.''

2. Hospital Concerns

Hospitals have requested clarification regarding billing and payment in certain situations that our current policy does not seem to explicitly address. The following scenarios synthesize cases described by hospitals for which they have encountered problems when billing for a procedure with status indicator C.

Scenario A: A procedure assigned status indicator C under the OPPS is performed to resuscitate or stabilize a beneficiary who appears with or suddenly develops a life-threatening condition. The patient dies during surgery or postoperatively before being admitted.

Scenario B: An elective or emergent surgical procedure payable under the OPPS is being performed. Because of sudden, unexpected intra-operative complications, the physician must alter the surgical procedure and perform a procedure with OPPS status indicator C. The patient dies during the operation before he or she is admitted as an inpatient.

Scenario C: A procedure with status indicator C is performed to resuscitate or stabilize a beneficiary who appears with or suddenly develops a life-threatening condition. After the procedure, the patient is transferred to another facility for postoperative care.

3. Clarification of Payment Policy

We propose the following policy for fiscal intermediaries and providers to use in determining the appropriate Medicare payment in cases such as those described in the section above.

A procedure assigned status indicator C under the OPPS is never payable under the OPPS. Therefore, for a hospital to receive payment when a procedure with OPPS status indicator C is performed and: (1) the patient dies during or after the procedure, before being admitted, or (2) the patient survives the procedure and is transferred following the procedure, the patient's medical record must contain all of the following information:

- Either orders to admit written by the physician responsible for the patient's care at the hospital to which the patient was to be admitted, the hospital following the procedure for the purpose of receiving inpatient hospital services and occupying an inpatient bed, or written orders to admit and transfer the patient to another hospital following the procedure.
- Documentation that the reported HCPCS code for the surgical procedure with OPPS payment status indicator C (such as CPT code 61345) was actually performed.
- Documentation that the reported surgical procedure with status indicator C was medically necessary.
- If the patient is admitted and subsequently transferred to another facility, documentation that the transfer was medically necessary, such as the patient requiring postoperative treatment unavailable at the transferring facility.

Because these services would be paid according to the appropriate DRG or per diem (see below), all services that were furnished before admission that would otherwise be payable under the OPPS would be paid in accordance with the

provisions of section 3610.3 of the Medicare Intermediary Manual (''3-day rule'') and section 415.6 of the Medicare Hospital Manual.

In the case of a patient who dies during performance of a procedure with OPPS status indicator C before being admitted, the hospital would submit a claim for all services provided, including a line item for the status indicator C procedure. The claim would be rejected for payment under the OPPS and returned to the hospital. The hospital would resubmit the claim for payment as an inpatient stay under the appropriate DRG.

In the case of a patient who is admitted and transferred, the transferring hospital would be paid a per diem DRG rate if all the above conditions are met. (We propose to revise section 3610.5 of the Medicare Intermediary Manual accordingly.)

Note that a physician's order to admit a patient to an observation bed following a procedure designated with OPPS status indicator C would not constitute an inpatient admission and, therefore, would not qualify the procedure with status indicator C for payment. In this instance, the only allowable Medicare payment would be for a code payable under APC 0610, 0611, or 0612 if those services were provided. Payment would not be allowed for either the procedure with status indicator C or for any ancillary services furnished on the same date.

4. Orders To Admit

Some hospitals have raised questions about the timing of a physician's order to admit a patient. The requirements for the authenticating physician orders and the standards for medical record keeping fall outside the scope of this proposed rule and OPPS payment policy. The payment guidelines proposed above are to assist hospitals and contractors in determining how to bill and pay for services appropriately under Medicare. The patient's admission status, as documented by the medical records, determines what Medicare payment is appropriate. Medical record keeping and documentation requirements are addressed in the Medicare hospital conditions of participation at § 482.24, and are governed by applicable State law and State licensing rules and hospital accreditation standards.

D. Status Indicators

The status indicators we assign to HCPCS codes and APCs under the OPPS have an important role in payment for services under the OPPS because they indicate if a service represented by a HCPCS code is payable under the OPPS or another payment system and also if particular OPPS policies apply to the code. We are providing our proposed status indicator assignments for APCs in Addendum A, HCPCS codes in Addendum B, and definitions of the status indicators in Addendum D.

The OPPS is based on HCPCS codes for medical and other health services. These codes are used for a wide variety of payment systems under Medicare, including, but not limited to, the Medicare fee schedule for physician services, the Medicare fee schedule for durable medical equipment and prosthetic devices, and the Medicare clinical laboratory fee schedule. For purposes of making payment under the OPPS, we need a way to signal the claims processing system which HCPCS codes are paid under the OPPS and those codes to which particular OPPS payment policies apply. We accomplish this identification in the OPPS through the establishment of a system of status indicators with specific meanings. Addendum D defines the meaning of each status indicator for purposes of the OPPS.

We assign one and only one status indicator to each APC and to each HCPCS code. Each HCPCS code that is assigned to an APC has the same status indicator as the APC to which it is assigned.

Specifically, in 2003, we propose to use the status indicators in the following manner:

- We use A to indicate services that are paid under some payment method other than OPPS, such as the Durable medical equipment, prosthetics, orthotics, and supplies (DMEPOS) fee schedule or the physician fee schedule. Some but not all of these other payment systems are identified in Addendum D.
- We use ''C'' to indicate inpatient services that are not payable under the OPPS.
- We use ''D'' to indicate a code that was deleted effective with the beginning of the calendar year.
- We use ''E'' to indicate services for which payment is not allowed under the OPPS or that are not covered by Medicare.
- We use ''F'' to indicate acquisition of corneal tissue, which is paid at reasonable cost.
- We use ''G'' to indicate drugs and biologicals that are paid under OPPS transitional pass-through rules.
- We use ''H'' to indicate devices that are paid under OPPS transitional pass-through rules.
- We use ''K'' to indicate drugs and biologicals (including blood and blood products) and certain brachytherapy seeds that are paid in separate APCs under the OPPS, but that are not paid under OPPS transitional pass-through rules.
- We use ''N'' to indicate services that are paid under the OPPS for which payment is packaged into another service or APC group.
- We use ''P'' to indicate services that are paid under the OPPS but only in partial hospitalization programs.
- We use ''S'' to indicate significant procedures that are paid under OPPS but to which the multiple procedure reduction does not apply.
- We use ''T'' to indicate significant services that are paid under the OPPS and to which the multiple procedure payment discount under OPPS applies.
- We use ''V'' to indicate medical visits (including clinic or emergency department visits) that are paid under the OPPS.
- We use ''X'' to indicate ancillary services that are paid under the OPPS.

The software that controls Medicare payment looks to the status indicators attached to the HCPCS codes and APCs for direction in the processing of the claim. Therefore, the assignment of the status indicators has significance for the payment of services. We sometimes change these indicators in the course of a year through Program Memoranda. Moreover, indicators are established for new codes that we establish in the middle of the year, either as a result of a national coverage decision or otherwise. A status indicator, as well as an APC, must be assigned so that payment can be made for the service identified by the new code.

We are proposing the status indicators identified for each HCPCS code and each APC in Addenda A and B and are requesting comments on the appropriateness of the indicators we have assigned.

E. Other Policy Issues Relating To Pass-Through Device Categories

1. Reducing Transitional Pass-Through Payments To Offset Costs Packaged Into APC Groups

In the November 30, 2001 final rule, we explain the methodology we used to estimate the portion of each APC rate that could reasonably be attributed to the cost of associated devices that are eligible for pass-through payments (66 FR 59904). Effective with implementation of the 2002 OPPS update on April 1, 2002, we deduct from the pass-through payments for those devices an amount that offsets the portion of the otherwise applicable APC payment amount that we determined is associated with the device, as required

by section 1833(t)(6)(D)(ii) of the Act. In the March 1, 2002 final rule, we published the applicable offset amounts for 2002, which we had recalculated to reflect certain device cost assignments that were corrected in the same final rule (67 FR 9557).

For the 2003 OPPS update, we propose to estimate the portion of each APC rate that could reasonably be attributed to the cost of an associated pass-through device that is eligible for pass-through payment using claims data for services furnished between July 1, 2001 through December 31, 2001. We propose to use only the last 6 months of 2001 claims data because bills for pass-through devices submitted during this time period would use only device category codes, allowing a more consistent analysis than would result were we to include pre-July 1 claims that might still show item-specific codes for pass-through devices. Using these claims, we would calculate a median cost for every APC without packaging the costs of associated C-codes for device categories that were billed with the APC. We would then calculate a median cost for every APC with the costs of associated C-codes for device categories that were billed with the APC packaged into the median. Comparing the median APC cost minus device packaging by the median APC cost including device packaging would allow us to determine the percentage of the median APC cost that is attributable to associated pass-through devices. By applying these percentages to the median APC cost, we would determine the applicable offset amount. Table 9 shows the offsets that we propose be applied in 2003 to each APC that contains device costs. APCs were included for offsets if their device costs comprised at least 1 percent of the APC's costs. (However, if any APC's calculated offset had been less than 1 dollar, that APC and offset would not have been included.)

TABLE 9.—PROPOSED OFFSETS TO BE APPLIED FOR EACH APC THAT CONTAINS DEVICE COSTS

APC	Description	APC percent attributed to devices	Device related cost to be subtracted from pass-through payment
0032	Insertion of Central Venous/Arterial Catheter	6.12	$22.73
0046	Open/Percutaneous Treatment Fracture or Dislocation	1.06	16.00
0048	Arthroplasty with Prosthesis	5.78	111.02
0051	Level III Musculoskeletal Procedures Except Hand and Foot	1.24	21.95
0052	Level IV Musculoskeletal Procedures Except Hand and Foot	3.05	67.21
0080	Diagnostic Cardiac Catheterization	4.36	80.82
0081	Non-Coronary Angioplasty or Atherectomy	7.29	86.03
0082	Coronary Atherectomy	47.58	1,866.34
0083	Coronary Angioplasty and Percutaneous Valvuloplasty	20.08	499.51
0085	Level II Electrophysiologic Evaluation	10.22	168.87
0086	Ablate Heart Dysrhythm Focus	20.36	462.74
0087	Cardiac Electrophysiologic Recording/Mapping	15.19	45.90
0088	Thrombectomy	4.08	72.06
0089	Insertion/Replacement of Permanent Pacemaker and Electrodes	68.56	3,883.80
0090	Insertion/Replacement of Pacemaker Pulse Generator	64.17	2,574.81
0091	Level II Vascular Ligation	1.75	24.60
0093	Vascular Repair/Fistula Construction	1.63	22.29
0104	Transcatheter Placement of Intracoronary Stents	40.26	1,522.67
0105	Revision/Removal of Pacemakers, AICD, or Vascular	5.79	57.64
0106	Insertion/Replacement/Repair of Pacemaker and/or Electrodes	18.05	274.40
0107	Insertion of Cardioverter-Defibrillator	83.18	7,852.32
0108	Insertion/Replacement/Repair of Cardioverter-Defibrillator Leads	82.11	9,936.93
0109	Removal of Implanted Devices	1.70	6.79
0115	Cannula/Access Device Procedures	7.22	88.17
0119	Implantation of Devices	13.61	183.19
0122	Level II Tube changes and Repositioning	2.21	4.47
0124	Revision of Implanted Infusion Pump	9.82	119.87
0142	Small Intestine Endoscopy	1.03	4.40
0151	Endoscopic Retrograde Cholangio-Pancreatography (ERCP)	2.71	25.69
0152	Percutaneous Abdominal and Biliary Procedures	9.96	32.01
0153	Peritoneal and Abdominal Procedures	1.69	22.84
0154	Hernia/Hydrocele Procedures	2.66	37.33
0167	Level III Urethral Procedures	11.54	162.95
0168	Level II Urethral Procedures	5.20	65.18
0179	Urinary Incontinence Procedures	34.30	1,449.96
0182	Insertion of Penile Prosthesis	42.39	1,847.50
0202	Level VIII Female Reproductive Proc	10.67	216.92
0222	Implantation of Neurological Device	65.75	4,806.58
0223	Implantation of Pain Management Device	11.54	121.84
0225	Implantation of Neurostimulator Electrodes	33.33	770.87
0226	Implantation of Drug Infusion Reservoir	70.33	1,616.75
0227	Implantation of Drug Infusion Device	75.38	5,019.34
0229	Transcatherter Placement of Intravascular Shunts	46.89	1,194.96
0245	Level I Cataract Procedures without IOL Insert	3.24	24.25
0246	Cataract Procedures with IOL Insert	1.20	14.72
0259	Level III ENT Procedures	75.29	11,396.81
0279	Level II Angiography and Venography except Extremity	1.56	6.82
0280	Level III Angiography and Venography except Extremity	5.02	40.49
0281	Venography of Extremity	1.39	3.78

TABLE 9.—PROPOSED OFFSETS TO BE APPLIED FOR EACH APC THAT CONTAINS DEVICE COSTS—Continued

APC	Description	APC percent attributed to devices	Device related cost to be subtracted from pass-through payment
0297	Level II Therapeutic Radiologic Procedures	1.91	7.75
0656	Transcatheter placement of drug eluting stents	54.15	2668.28
0670	Intravenous and Intracardiac Ultrasound	51.03	392.26
0680	Insertion of Patient Activated Event Recorders	68.48	1,850.24
0681	Knee Arthroplasty	64.57	5,310.69
0684	Prostate Brachytherapy	67.49	3631.89
0686	Level III Skin Repair	4.00	23.51
0687	Revision/Removal of Neurostimulator Electrodes	1.50	15.21
0688	Revision/Removal of Neurostimulator Pulse Generator Receiver	22.15	352.28
0693	Level II Breast Reconstruction	1.00	20.44
0981	New Technology—Level XII ($2000—$2500)	13.32	299.70

2. Devices Paid With Multiple Procedures

As explained above, under section 1833(t)(6)(D)(ii) of the Act, the amount of additional payment for a device eligible for pass-through payment is the amount by which the hospital's cost exceeds the portion of the otherwise applicable APC payment amount that the Secretary determines is associated with the device. Thus, for devices eligible for pass-through payment, we reduce the pass-through payment amount by the cost attributable to the device that is already packaged into the APC payment for an associated procedure. For 2002, we developed offset amounts, for 59 APCs (March 1, 2002 final rule, 67 FR 9556 through 9557, Table 1).

In our November 30, 2001 final rule (66 FR 59856), we articulated a policy regarding the calculation of the offsets for device costs already reflected in APCs in cases where the payment for the associated APC is reduced due to the multiple procedure discount. The policy was in response to several commenting parties that recommended that we apply the multiple procedure discount only to the non-device-related portion of the APC payment amount (66 FR 59906).

We agreed with the commenters that the full pass-through offset should not be applied when the APC payment is subject to the multiple procedure discount of 50 percent.

The purpose of the offset is to ensure that the OPPS is not making double payments for any portion of the cost associated with the use of the pass-through item. We stated in the November 30, 2001 rule that the offset should reflect that portion of the cost for the pass-through device actually reflected in the payment that is received for the associated APC. We consequently ruled that the most straightforward methodology for applying this principle is to reduce the amount of the offset amount by 50 percent whenever the multiple procedure discount applies to the associated APC. This discounting of the offset is applied in 2002 to bills subject to multiple procedure discounting that also include devices eligible for pass-through payment.

The significant number of device categories that are expiring in 2003 combined with our proposal to package 100 percent of device costs into their associated APCs has prompted us to revisit the current policy of reducing offsets for pass-through devices in instances when multiple procedure discounts are applied to procedures associated with pass-through device categories. In order to determine the impact of multiple procedure discounting on APCs with full packaging of device costs, we reviewed the median costs of all APCs after incorporation of device costs and arrayed them in order of descending median cost. We also determined the contribution (in absolute dollars and as a percentage) of device costs to the median costs of each APC. We did this by examining claims submitted during the last 6 months of 2001 during which only device category codes were used to bill for pass-through devices because those were the only claims where we could specifically identify the contribution of device costs to the cost of each APC.

We then determined which APCs containing devices would be billed together. For example, the APC for insertion of a pacemaker would not be billed with the APC for insertion of neurostimulator electrodes, whereas the APC for coronary stent placement might be billed with the APC for coronary angioplasty. We next determined, based on median cost data, which device containing APCs would be subject to the 50 percent multiple procedure reduction. After identifying these APCs, we applied a 50 percent reduction to arrive at a discounted payment amount. We then reviewed the contribution of device costs to the discounted APC both as a percentage and in absolute dollars to determine if applying the 50 percent reduction would result in underpayment for the service. We determined that the reduced payment was adequate to pay both for the devices incorporated into the APC and for the procedure cost in the context of performing multiple procedures. We obtained the same results even when we overstated device costs in our model by 5 or 10 percent to offset concerns expressed by some manufacturers and physicians that hospital charges for transitional pass-through devices may be understated.

To illustrate this analysis, assume APCs 0104 and 0083 are billed together. The median cost of APC 0104 is $3,960 with 40 percent of the cost attributable to devices. The median cost of APC 0083 is $2,605 with 20 percent of its cost attributable to devices. Under our existing multiple procedure discount payment rules, APC 0104 would be paid at 100 percent, and APC 0083 would be paid at 50 percent. This means that payment for APC 0083 would be $1,302 of which $520 (20 percent of $2,605) is attributable to devices. We believe this total payment accounts for the costs of the devices and the costs of the procedure when it is performed in conjunction with APC 0104.

We note that almost all APCs with high device costs (such as insertion of pacemakers, insertion of cardioverter-defibrillators, insertion of infusion pumps and neurostimulator electrodes) would never be subject to a multiple procedure discount. They have the highest relative weights in the OPPS,

and we would not expect these procedures to be performed during the same operative session with a higher paying procedure with status indicator ''T.'' Therefore, we propose to continue our current policy of multiple procedure discounting. That is, when two or more APCS with status indicator ''T'' are billed together we propose to pay 100 percent for the highest cost APC and 50 percent for all other APCs with status indicator ''T.'' We propose not to adjust these payments to account for device costs in the APCs.

F. Outpatient Billing For Dialysis

Currently, hospitals are unable to bill for dialysis treatments furnished to End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) patients on an outpatient basis, unless the hospital also has a certified hospital-based ESRD facility. As a result of this policy, there has been an increase in denials by the PROs for inappropriate hospital admissions.

When ESRD patients come to the hospital for a medical emergency or for problems with their access sites, they typically miss their regularly scheduled dialysis appointments. If the ESRD patient's usual facility is unable to reschedule the dialysis treatment, the beneficiary has to wait until the next scheduled dialysis appointment. CMS is concerned that by maintaining this policy, beneficiaries may be receiving interrupted care because there will be unnecessary lapses in treatment. The ESRD patient should not be prevented from receiving her or his normal dialysis because he or she experienced another unrelated medical situation. Therefore, we propose to allow payment for dialysis treatments for ESRD patients in the outpatient department of a hospital in specific situations. Payment would be limited to unscheduled dialysis for ESRD patients in exceptional circumstances. Outpatient dialysis for acute patients would not be included in this payment mechanism.

We propose to limit this payment to medical situations in which the ESRD patient cannot obtain her or his regularly scheduled dialysis treatment at a certified ESRD facility. Situations that we propose to allow are limited to: (1) dialysis performed following or in connection with a vascular access procedure; (2) dialysis performed following treatment for an unrelated medical emergency. For example, if a patient goes to the emergency room for chest pains and misses a regularly scheduled dialysis treatment that cannot be rescheduled, we would allow the hospital to provide and bill Medicare for the dialysis treatment; and (3) emergency dialysis—Currently, the only mechanism available for payment in this situation is through an inpatient admission. We will maintain our policy that routine treatments in non-ESRD certified hospitals would not be payable under OPPS.

We believe it is important to make this change in policy for two reasons: (1) to ensure that hospital outpatient departments are paid for providing this much needed service; and (2) to prevent dialysis patients from receiving interrupted care. Non-ESRD certified hospital outpatient facilities would bill Medicare using a new G code, G0GGG, ''Unscheduled or emergency treatment for dialysis for ESRD patient in the outpatient department of a hospital that does not have a certified ESRD facility.'' We propose that this new code will have status indicator ''S'' and be assigned to APC 0170. Payment would be roughly equivalent to the reimbursement rate for acute dialysis. We propose to implement this change effective January 1, 2003. Effective January 1, 2003, this would be the only way for non-ESRD certified hospital outpatient facilities to bill Medicare and be paid for providing outpatient dialysis to ESRD beneficiaries.

CMS will be monitoring the use of this new code to ensure that (1) certified dialysis facilities are not incorrectly using this code; and (2) the same dialysis patient is not repeatedly using this code, which would indicate routine dialysis treatment.

When ESRD patients receive outpatient dialysis in non-ESRD certified hospital outpatient facilities, the patient's home facility would be responsible for obtaining and reviewing the patient's medical records to ensure that appropriate care was provided in the hospital and that modifications are made, if necessary, to the patient's plan of care upon her or his return to the facility. This ensures continuity of care for the patient.

IX. Summary of and Responses to MedPAC Recommendations

The Medicare Payment Advisory Commission (MedPAC) in its March 2002 Report to the Congress: ''Medicare Payment Policy,'' makes a number of recommendations relating to the OPPS. This section provides responses to those recommendations.

Recommendation: For calendar year 2003, the Secretary should increase the payment rates for services covered by the OPPS by the rate of increase in the hospital market basket.

Response: Section 1833(t)(3)(C)(ii) of the Act requires the Secretary to update the conversion factor annually. Under section 1833(t)(3)(C)(iv) of the Act, the update is equal to the hospital market basket percentage increase applicable under the hospital inpatient PPS, minus one percentage point for the years 2000 and 2002. The Secretary has the authority under section 1833(t)(3)(C)(iv) of the Act to substitute a market basket that is specific to hospital outpatient services. In the September 8, 1998 proposed rule on the OPPS, we indicated that we were considering the option of developing an outpatient-specific market basket and invited comments on possible sources of data suitable for constructing one (63 FR 47579). We received no comments in response to this invitation, and we therefore announced in the April 7, 2000 final rule that we would update the conversion factor by the hospital inpatient market basket increase, minus one percentage point, for the years 2000, 2001, and 2002 (65 FR 18502). (As required by section 401(c) of the BIPA, we made payment adjustments effective April 1, 2001 under a special payment rule that had the effect of providing a full market basket update in 2001.) For 2003, we propose to increase payment rates by the rate of increase in the hospital market basket.

Recommendation: The Congress should—

- Replace hospital-specific payments for pass-through devices with national rates.
- Give the Secretary authority to consider alternatives to average wholesale price (AWP) when determining payments for pass-through drugs and biologicals.

Response: Regarding the pricing of transitional pass-through devices, we share the Commission's concern that the current methodology provides incentives for hospitals to inflate charges for transitional pass-through devices to increase payments. However, we believe that alternative approaches are not necessarily superior. Further, the salience of this problem should be much less in the future.

At present, the payment for a transitional pass-through device is set, on a claim-by-claim basis, relative to the hospital's charge for that device. The charge is reduced to a measure of cost by application of a hospital-specific cost-to-charge ratio, and a subtraction is made to reflect the portion of device costs already recognized in the payment for the associated procedure APC. This procedure means that a higher charge by a hospital will result in a higher payment from Medicare. The Commission notes that this method embodies an incentive for hospitals, perhaps prompted by manufacturers, to increase charges as a means of

increasing payments. The Commission is concerned that this situation may lead to excessive payments and may bias the charges used to revise, from year to year, relative weights in the OPPS.

In fact, the extent to which hospitals raising their charges on devices is problematic depends on the outcomes. In general, we anticipate that hospital charge structures, on average, reflect their costs; this assumption helps support the use of charge data to revise relative weights in hospital prospective payment systems. Accordingly, whether payments to hospitals for transitional pass-through devices might be considered excessive depends on whether hospitals inflate charges beyond the levels appropriate to recover their costs. Whether their behavior leads to biases in charge data depends on whether they set charges on transitional pass-through devices significantly differently than on other services.

Moving to a fee schedule for transitional pass-through devices would remove the particular incentive problem that the Commission noted, which we agree would be desirable. However, the establishment of appropriate national rates would then become the focus. In the absence of field data on actual costs, we will be inevitably reliant on information that manufacturers provide. At present, manufacturers are asked for information about prices on applications for pass-through status. Anecdotal information suggests this information is not fully reliable as a measure of what hospitals actually pay.

The Commission's report discusses the possibility of CMS setting the rate for a device based on analysis of the manufacturer's costs, including an appropriate rate of return on equity. This approach would confront a number of accounting, legal, and operational difficulties.

- First, it would take some time to complete the analysis for a new product, which could significantly delay establishment of a rate. The rate that would be used in the meantime, or whether billing would be permitted at all, would be open to question.
- Second, it appears that large firms with multiple product lines supply most devices, which would make determining the costs of a particular device difficult. This problem would be compounded when multiple enterprises are involved in bringing a product to market, which is not uncommon in the device industry, where invention and initial development may occur in one firm and final development, manufacturing, and marketing in another.
- Third, the government generally does not have access to manufacturers cost information. While legal authority could be enhanced, manufacturers would face incentives that raise questions about the reliability of information provided, and the need for government accounting and auditing resources would be high.
- Fourth, as the Commission's report notes, an appropriate rate of return on equity would have to be established.
- Fifth, devices are now paid, under BIPA, on the basis of categories. As a result, if a manufacturer brings to market a product that fits the description of a category, hospitals can bill for that manufacturer's product without any change in coding or notification of CMS. Consequently, we do not know what specific devices are actually being billed in these categories, or who manufactures them. Whatever rate might be established on the basis of an initial application for a category would presumably be based on the applicant's costs. Later entrants might have significantly different cost structures, but this information would not come into account unless a more elaborate process was implemented to include it.

Finally, whether a rate set in this fashion would pay less or more than the current method is unclear. The current method is based on actual experience in the field, and it will reflect, though perhaps somewhat tenuously, whatever competitive market pressures exist. Any method that we use aimed at ensuring a more reliable price could yield a price that is too high, since it will not reflect market activity. Whether a rate set by *ex ante* analysis of this sort would produce superior results does not appear obvious.

The Commission's report also mentions the possibility of using competitive bidding to set rates for transitional pass-through devices. While competitive bidding appears attractive as a means of setting a market-related price, it has not proven an easy process for Medicare to implement. Competitive bidding seems best suited for established products with multiple suppliers. However, transitional pass-through devices are by definition new to the market and will frequently have only one manufacturer, at least at the start of the 2 to 3 year transitional pass-through period. Even in those instances in which this technique would be possible, it involves a fair amount of administrative resources and time, and using it to establish a rate that will be used at the most for 3 years does not appear to be an effective use of resources.

Both of the suggestions discussed above reflect procedures that involve relatively high overhead on the part of CMS and of other actors. It is not obvious whether either would produce results that are superior to those derived from the present method. While they would change incentives on hospitals, incentives of manufacturers would still be a source of concern. We agree with the Commission that further investigation would be necessary to determine a feasible alternative to cost-based pass-through payments.

In considering the advantages of various approaches, it is important to keep the size of the problem in mind, especially when contemplating procedures for setting rates that would involve substantial administrative resources. As of July 1, 2002, the OPPS pays for 100 categories of devices. As is explained in section III.C of this preamble, we are proposing that 95 categories will lose pass-through status and be retired as of January 1, 2003.[3] Since the initial categories were established in April 2001, we have added only three categories. While several applications are pending, given the extensiveness of the existing categories, it appears likely that the number of new categories to be established in future years will be small.[4] The likely volume of claims represented by these new categories is of course speculative, but it also does not seem likely to be large relative to the size of the OPPS system. As discussed below, we developed criteria for the establishment of new categories that were specifically intended to limit future pass-through payments to devices that provide a substantial clinical improvement.

Considering that the identified alternatives do not appear to be manifestly superior to the current system but do involve significantly more administrative resources, and given the anticipated small volume of transitional pass-through devices in the future, we think on balance it would be best to let more experience develop with the current system before making significant changes to the current method.

However, we agree that it would be desirable to give the Secretary authority

[3] In accord with the BBRA amendment that established the pass-through payment methodology, items are only eligible for pass-through payments for 2 to 3 years. After expiration of pass-through status, payments for devices described by these categories will be packaged into APC payments for the procedures with which they are used.

[4] If a new device arrives on the market that would have fit in a category formerly in use but subsequently retired, it will not be eligible for pass-through payment.

to use alternatives to AWP when determining payments for pass-through drugs and biologicals. At present, total payment for these items is governed by the general rule (section 1842(o) of the Act) for Medicare pricing of drugs, which requires they be paid at 95 percent of AWP. This rule also covers most drugs delivered ''incident to'' physicians' services in physicians' offices and elsewhere. The Congress is at present considering various changes to the AWP as the basis for Medicare payment for drugs, and if a change is adopted to this standard, it may be an appropriate standard for transitional pass-through drugs and biologicals as well.

Recommendation: The Secretary should do the following:

- Ensure additional payments are made only for new or substantially improved technologies that are expensive in relation to the applicable ambulatory payment classification rate.
- Avoid basing national rates only on reported costs.
- Ensure that the same broad principles guide payments for new technologies in the inpatient and outpatient payment systems.

Response: We agree that additional payments should be limited to items that have the greatest merit and that have high costs not well captured in the existing payment structure. The Commission notes that limiting the number of transitional pass-through items limits the burdens on hospitals and us; reduces the likelihood of exceeding the statutory cap on aggregate pass-through payment, necessitating a uniform reduction in transitional pass-through payments; and limits the redistribution of funds across hospitals that are low versus high users of transitional pass-through items. We agree with these points. On November 2, 2001, we published an interim final rule with comment period in the **Federal Register** (66 FR 55850 to 55857) that set forth criteria we will use to evaluate whether to establish new categories of devices in the future. These criteria include tests of whether a device is new, whether it represents a substantial medical improvement for Medicare beneficiaries, and whether its costs are high relative to the payments that would otherwise be made.

Section 1833(t)(6)(D) of the Act prescribes the method for setting payment for transitional pass-through drugs and devices. The issue of possible alternatives is discussed above.

We agree that the same principles should govern payments for new technologies in the inpatient and outpatient prospective payment systems. Criteria governing extra new technology payments in the IPPS were established in a final rule published in the **Federal Register** (66 FR 46902 to 46925) on September 7, 2001. The criteria have the same general form as those for the OPPS. They differ in some particulars, largely traceable to the difference of the two payment systems. In particular, the IPPS system pays on the basis of an episode of care. As a result, the bundle of payment is generally larger and hospitals are better able to absorb minor cost differences. Considering the impact of new technology on all costs of the episode is also pertinent. Consequently, the criteria for special payment for inpatient new technologies require examination of the net effect on costs of the entire episode (not just the added costs of a new technology), and the relative cost standard we established is somewhat more stringent than for the OPPS. We believe it is premature to judge whether it will make sense to make these criteria even closer in the future, as the Commission's discussion suggests.

X. Summary of Proposed Changes for 2003

A. Changes Required by Statute

We are proposing the following changes to implement statutory requirements:

- Add APCs, delete APCs, and modify the composition of some existing APCs.
- Recalibrate the relative payment weights of the APCs.
- Update the conversion factor and the wage index.
- Revise the APC payment amounts to reflect the APC reclassifications, the recalibration of payment weights, and the other required updates and adjustments.
- Cease transitional pass-through payments for drugs and biologicals (including blood and blood products) and devices (including brachytherapy), that will, on January 1, 2003, have been paid under transitional pass-through methodology for at least 2 years.

B. Additional Changes to OPPS and Payment Suspension Provisions

We are proposing the following additional changes to the OPPS and Payment Suspension Provisions:

- Creation of new evaluation and management service codes for outpatient clinic and emergency department encounters for implementation no earlier than January 1, 2004.
- Changes to the list of services that we do not pay in outpatient departments because we define them as ''inpatient only'' procedures.
- Changes to our policy of nonpayment for procedures on the ''inpatient only'' list in special cases involving death or transfer before inpatient admission.
- Changes to our policy governing observation in cases of direct admission to observation.
- Changes to status indicators for HCPCS codes.
- Changes to our policies governing dialysis for ESRD patients and regarding partial hospitalization.

In addition, we are making changes to payment suspension policies.

C. Changes to the Regulations Text

A. We propose to make the following changes to our regulations:

- Amend § 410.43(b) to add clinical social worker services (for the diagnosis and treatment of mental illnesses) that meet the requirements of section 1861(hh)(2) of the Act to the specified professional services that are separately covered and not paid as partial hospitalization services.
- Amend § 419.66(c)(1) to specify that we must establish a new category for a medical device if it is not described by any category previously in effect as well as an existing category.

XI. Summary of Proposed Payment Suspension Provisions

In this rule, we propose to revise § 405.371 (c) to specify that we may suspend Medicare payments ''in whole or in part'' if a provider has failed to timely file an acceptable cost report. This provision is consistent with the existing provisions in § 405.371(a) governing the suspension of Medicare payments ''in whole or in part'' under certain conditions. We believe the Medicare program would benefit because immediate complete payment suspension can be disruptive to providers and may negatively affect the care of Medicare patients.

XII. Collection of Information Requirements

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are required to provide 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** and solicit public comment before a collection of information requirement is submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. In order to fairly evaluate whether an information collection should be approved by OMB, section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 requires that we solicit comment on the following issues:

• The need for the information collection and its usefulness in carrying out the proper functions of our agency.

• The accuracy of our estimate of the information collection burden.

• The quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

• Recommendations to minimize the information collection burden on the affected public, including automated collection techniques.

This rule does not impose information collection and recordkeeping requirements. Consequently, it need not be reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget under the authority of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

XIII. Response to Public Comments

Because of the large number of items of correspondence we normally receive on a proposed rule, we are not able to acknowledge or respond to them individually. However, in preparing the final rule, we will consider all comments concerning the provisions of this proposed rule that we receive by the date and time specified in the **DATES** section of this preamble and respond to those comments in the preamble to that rule.

XIV. Regulatory Impact Analysis

The regulatory impact analysis for this proposed rule consists of an impact analysis for the OPPS provisions and a regulatory impact statement for the provision for payment suspension for unfiled cost reports.

A. OPPS

1. General

We have examined the impacts of this proposed rule as required by Executive Order 12866 (September 1993, Regulatory Planning and Review) and the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA) (September 16, 1980 Pub. L. 96–354). Executive Order 12866 directs agencies to assess all costs and benefits of available regulatory alternatives and, if regulation is necessary, to select regulatory approaches that maximize net benefits (including potential economic, environmental, public health and safety effects, distributive impacts, and equity). A regulatory impact analysis (RIA) must be prepared for major rules with economically significant effects ($100 million or more annually).

We estimate the effects of the provisions that would be implemented by this proposed rule would result in expenditures exceeding $100 million in any 1 year. We estimate the total increase (from changes in the proposed rule as well as enrollment, utilization, and case mix changes) in expenditures under the OPPS for CY 2003 compared to CY 2002 to be approximately $1.372 billion. Therefore, this proposed rule is an economically significant rule under Executive Order 12866, and a major rule under 5 U.S.C. 804(2).

The RFA requires agencies to determine whether a rule will have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. For purposes of the RFA, small entities include small businesses, nonprofit organizations and government agencies. Most hospitals and most other providers and suppliers are small entities, either by nonprofit status or by having revenues of $6 to $29 million or less in any 1 year (see 65 FR 69432).

For purposes of the RFA we have determined that approximately 37 percent of hospitals and 98 percent of mental health practitioners would be considered small entities according to the Small Business Administration (SBA) size standards. We do not have data available to calculate the percentages of entities in the pharmaceutical preparation manufacturing, biological products, or medical instrument industries. For the pharmaceutical preparation manufacturing industry (NAICS 325412), the size standard is 750 or fewer employees and $67.6 billion in annual sales (1997 business census). For biological products (except diagnostic) (NAICS 325414) $5.7 billion and medical instruments (NAICS 339112), with $18.5 billion in annual sales, the standard is 50 or fewer employees (see the standards web site at *http://www.sba.gov/regulations/siccodes/).* Individuals and States are not included in the definition of a small entity.

In addition, section 1102(b) of the Act requires us to prepare a regulatory impact analysis if a rule may have a significant impact on the operations of a substantial number of small rural hospitals. This analysis must conform to the provisions of section 603 of the RFA. With the exception of hospitals located in certain New England counties, for purposes of section 1102(b) of the Act, we define a small rural hospital as a hospital that is located outside of a Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) and has fewer than 100 beds (or New England County Metropolitan Area (NECMA)). Section 601(g) of the Social Security Amendments of 1983 (Pub. L. 98–21) designated hospitals in certain New England counties as belonging to the adjacent NECMA. Thus, for purposes of the OPPS, we classify these hospitals as urban hospitals. We believe that the changes in this proposed rule would affect both a substantial number of rural hospitals as well as other classes of hospitals and that the effects on some may be significant. Therefore, we conclude that this proposed rule has a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. However, the statute provides for small rural hospitals (of less than 100 beds) to be held harmless by the law and to continue to be paid at cost; therefore this proposed rule has no impact on them.

Unfunded Mandates

Section 202 of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–4) also requires that agencies assess anticipated costs and benefits before issuing any rule that may result in an expenditure in any 1 year by State, local, or tribal governments, in the aggregate, or by the private sector, of $110 million. This proposed rule would not mandate any requirements for State, local, or tribal governments. This proposed rule imposes no unfunded mandates on the private sector.

Federalism

Executive Order 13132 establishes certain requirements that an agency must meet when it publishes a proposed rule (and subsequent final rule) that imposes substantial direct costs on State and local governments, preempts State law, or otherwise has Federalism implications.

We have examined this proposed rule in accordance with Executive Order 13132, Federalism, and have determined that it will not have an impact on the rights, roles, and responsibilities of State, local or tribal governments. The impact analysis (see table 10) shows that payments to governmental hospitals (including State, local and tribal governmental hospitals) would increase by 5 percent under the proposed rule.

2. Changes in this Proposed Rule

We are proposing several changes to the OPPS that are required by the statute. We are required under section 1833(t)(3)(C)(ii) of the Act to update annually the conversion factor used to determine the APC payment rates. We are also required under section 1833(t)(9)(A) of the Act to revise, not less often than annually, the wage index and other adjustments. In addition, we must review the clinical integrity of payment groups and weights at least annually. Accordingly, in this proposed rule, we are updating the conversion factor and the wage index adjustment for hospital outpatient services furnished beginning January 1, 2003 as

we discuss in sections VI and IV, respectively, of this preamble. We are also proposing revisions to the relative APC payment weights based on claims data from January 1, 2001 through December 31, 2001. Finally, we are proposing to remove 95 devices and more than 200 drugs and biologicals from pass-through payment status.

Under this proposed rule, the change to the conversion factor as provided by statute would increase total OPPS payments by 3.5 percent in 2003. The changes to the wage index and to the APC weights (which incorporates the cessation of pass-through payments for many drugs and devices) do not increase OPPS payments because the OPPS is budget neutral. However, the wage index and APC weight changes do change the distribution of payments within the budget neutral system as shown in Table 10 and described in more detail in this section.

Alternatives Considered

Alternatives to the changes we propose and the reason that we did not choose to propose them are discussed throughout this proposed rule. Below we discuss options we considered when analyzing methodologies to appropriately recognize the costs of former pass-through items. For a more detailed discussion, see section III.C.1 regarding the expiration of pass-through payment for devices and section III.C.2 regarding the expiration of pass-through payment for drugs and biologicals.

Payment for Categories of Devices

We considered establishing separate APCs for categories of devices and paying for them separately. We did not propose this option because we believe that to the extent possible, hospital payment for procedures and visits should include all of the costs required to provide the procedures and visits.

A second option we considered involved (1) packaging some categories of devices into the procedures with which they were billed in 2001 and (2) paying the rest through separate APCs (as discussed in section III.C.). We did not propose this option because we believe that devices are routinely used in the services for which they are needed and therefore are consistently paid at the cost of providing the service. Furthermore, criteria that would provide a basis for some devices to be packaged and for others to be paid separately would have to be developed and approved, thereby further complicating an already complex payment system.

Payment for Drugs and Biologicals

We considered continuing to make separate payment for all drugs and biologicals through separate APCs. We did not propose to pay separately for all drugs through separate APCs because we believe that, to the extent possible, hospital payment for services should include all of the costs of the services. We believe that drugs should be packaged with the services in which they are furnished except when we determine that there is a valid reason to do otherwise. However, we recognize that (unlike the stability that exists with device usage with the applicable procedures) the use of drugs may vary widely depending upon patient and disease characteristics. Therefore, packaging payment for all drugs may, in some cases, provide inadequate payment for the services furnished. Where a hospital has a disproportionate share of patients who need greater amounts of expensive drugs, underpayment for the drugs needed by these patients could result in cessation of needed services. For the first year that we are ceasing transitional pass-through payment for drugs, we decided to proceed cautiously by proposing to pay separately for drugs when the cost per encounter was more than $150 or when special characteristics existed (for example, orphan drugs, blood products).

We also considered packaging the costs of all drugs into the cost of the associated procedures with which they were billed in 2001. We did not package all payment for drugs into the payment for the procedures because, while this packaging is ultimately our goal, we believe, for the reasons indicated above, that we need to proceed cautiously to ensure that we do not inadvertently threaten access to needed care.

Conclusion

It is clear that the changes in this proposed rule would affect both a substantial number of rural hospitals as well as other classes of hospitals, and the effects on some may be significant. Therefore, the discussion below, in combination with the rest of this proposed rule, constitutes a regulatory impact analysis.

The OPPS rates proposed for CY 2003 would have, overall, a positive effect for every category of hospital with the exception of children's hospitals, which are held harmless under the OPPS. The changes in the OPPS proposed for 2003 would result in an overall 3.5 percent increase in Medicare payments to hospitals, exclusive of outlier and transitional pass-through payments and transitional corridor payments. As described in the preamble, budget neutrality adjustments are made to the conversion factor and the weights to assure that the revisions in the wage index, APC groups, and relative weights do not affect aggregate payments. The impact of the wage and recalibration changes does vary somewhat by hospital group. Estimates of these impacts are displayed on Table 10.

The overall projected increase in payments for urban hospitals is slightly lower (2.5 percent) than the average increase for all hospitals (3.5 percent) while the increase for rural hospitals is significantly greater (7.6 percent) than the average increase. Rural hospitals gain 2.3 percent from the wage index change, and also gain 1.6 percent from APC changes. A discussion of the distribution of outlier payments that we project under this proposed rule can be found under section D below. Table 11 presents the outlier distribution that we expect to see under this proposed rule.

3. Limitations of Our Analysis

The distributional impacts represent the projected effects of the proposed policy changes, as well as statutory changes effective for 2003, on various hospital groups. We estimate the effects of individual policy changes by estimating payments per service while holding all other payment policies constant. We use the best data available but do not attempt to predict behavioral responses to our policy changes. In addition, we do not make adjustments for future changes in variables such as service volume, service mix, or number of encounters.

4. Estimated Impacts of This Proposed Rule on Hospitals

The OPPS is a budget neutral payment system under which the increase to the total payments made under OPPS is limited by the increase to the conversion factor set under the methodology in the statute. The impact tables show the redistributive effects of the wage index and APC changes. In some cases, under this proposed rule, hospitals would receive more total payment than in 2002 while in other cases they would receive less total payment than they received in 2002. The impact of this proposed rule would depend on a number of factors, most significant of which are the mix of services furnished by a hospital (for example, how the APCs for the hospital's most frequently furnished services would change) and the impact of the wage index changes on the hospital.

Column 4 in Table 10 represents the full impact on each hospital group of all

the changes for 2003. Columns 2 and 3 in the table reflect the independent effects of the proposed change in the wage index and the APC reclassification and recalibration changes, respectively. We excluded critical access hospitals (CAHs) from the analysis of the impact of the proposed 2003 OPPS rates that is summarized in Table 10. For that reason, the total number of hospitals included in Table 10 (4,551) is lower than in previous years. CAHs are excluded from the OPPS.

In general, the wage index changes favor rural hospitals, particularly the largest in bed size and volume. The only rural hospitals that would experience a negative impact due to wage index changes are those in Puerto Rico, a decrease of 2.8 percent. Conversely, the urban hospitals are generally negatively affected by wage index changes, with the largest decreases occurring in those with 300–499 beds (−0.7 percent) and those in the Middle Atlantic (−1.3 percent), Pacific (−.09 percent) and Puerto Rico Regions (−1.8 percent). However, this effect is somewhat lessened by the distribution of outlier payments as discussed in more detail below.

The APC reclassification and recalibration changes also favor rural hospitals and have a negative effect on urban hospitals in excess of 200 beds. Specifically, urban hospitals with 200–299 beds (−0.5 percent decrease), urban hospitals with 300–499 beds (−2.0 percent decrease) and urban hospitals in excess of 500 beds (a −1.9 percent decrease) all show a decrease attributed to APC recalibration. We believe this occurs as a result of our folding 75 percent of estimated pass-through device costs into APC payments in the 2002 OPPS. Specifically, a comparison of the relative payment weights proposed for 2003, as listed in Addendum A, with the final 2002 relative payment weights in the March 1, 2002 final rule shows a decrease in the weights for certain APCs in 2002 that included a fold-in of 75 percent of estimated pass-through device costs. We relied on cost information supplied by device manufacturers in estimating the device costs to be folded in when calculating the median APC costs for the 2002 OPPS, whereas the proposed 2003 relative payment weights are based on actual hospital charges and utilization under the OPPS as reported by hospitals. We believe this downward tendency in the payment weights for APCs that include device costs, based on actual hospital experience, accounts in part for the lower positive effect of the proposed 2003 rates on urban hospitals and on teaching hospitals, which tend to perform a higher number of procedures involving costly new technology devices, in contrast with an increased positive effect in 2003 on rural and non-teaching hospitals, which tend to furnish a higher volume of clinic and preventive services than procedures associated with expensive new technology devices.

In both urban and rural areas, hospitals that provide a lower volume of outpatient services are projected to receive a larger increase in payments than higher volume hospitals. In rural areas, hospitals with volumes of fewer than 5000 services are projected to experience a significant increase in payments (8.1 percent). The less favorable impact for the high volume urban hospitals is attributable to both wage index and APC changes. For example, urban hospitals providing more than 42,999 services are projected to gain a combined 1.6 percent due to these changes.

Major teaching hospitals are projected to experience a smaller increase in payments (1.7 percent) than the aggregate for all hospitals (3.5 percent) due to negative impacts of the wage index (−0.5 percent) and recalibration (−1.2 percent). Hospitals with less intensive teaching programs are projected to experience an overall increase (2.0 percent) that is smaller than the average for all hospitals. There is little difference in impact among hospitals with that serve low-income patients.

TABLE 10.—IMPACT OF CHANGES FOR CY 2003 HOSPITAL OUTPATIENT PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM

[Percent change in total payment to hospitals (program and beneficiary); does not include the effects of outlier and transitional pass-through payments or of transitional corridor payments.]

	Number of hospitals [1] (1)	New wage index [2] (2)	APC changes)[3] (3)	All CY 2003 changes [4] (4)
ALL HOSPITALS	4,551	0.0	0.0	3.5
NON-TEFRA HOSPITALS	4,002	0.0	−0.1	3.4
URBAN HOSPS	2,429	−0.6	−0.5	2.5
LARGE URBAN (GT 1 MILL.)	1,398	−0.7	−0.1	2.6
OTHER URBAN (LE 1 MILL.)	1,031	−0.4	−0.9	2.2
RURAL HOSPS	1,573	2.3	1.6	7.6
BEDS (URBAN):				
0–99 BEDS	554	−0.3	3.1	6.4
100–199 BEDS	882	−0.6	1.4	4.3
200–299 BEDS	488	−0.6	−0.5	2.3
300–499 BEDS	364	−0.7	−2.0	0.7
500+ BEDS	141	−0.3	−1.9	1.3
BEDS (RURAL):				
0–49 BEDS	754	0.4	2.9	7.0
50–99 BEDS	479	1.5	2.3	7.6
100–149 BEDS	201	2.4	1.5	7.6
150–199 BEDS	73	5.5	0.1	9.5
200+ BEDS	66	3.3	0.0	7.0
VOLUME (URBAN):				
LT 5,000	188	0.9	6.5	10.9
5,000–10,999	305	−0.8	5.1	7.9
11,000–20,999	472	−0.7	2.6	5.5
21,000–42,999	657	−0.8	0.3	3.0
GT 42,999	807	−0.5	−1.4	1.6
VOLUME (RURAL):				
LT 5,000	326	0.2	4.2	8.1
5,000–10,999	446	0.6	4.4	8.7

TABLE 10.—IMPACT OF CHANGES FOR CY 2003 HOSPITAL OUTPATIENT PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM—Continued

[Percent change in total payment to hospitals (program and beneficiary); does not include the effects of outlier and transitional pass-through payments or of transitional corridor payments.]

	Number of hospitals [1] (1)	New wage index [2] (2)	APC changes) [3] (3)	All CY 2003 changes [4] (4)
11,000–20,999	373	1.3	2.7	7.7
21,000–42,999	290	1.9	1.4	6.9
GT 42,999	138	4.3	−0.2	7.8
REGION (URBAN):				
NEW ENGLAND	127	−0.6	0.6	3.4
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	372	−1.3	0.2	2.3
SOUTH ATLANTIC	370	−0.2	−0.1	3.2
EAST NORTH CENT.	413	−0.7	−1.4	1.4
EAST SOUTH CENT.	153	−0.6	−1.0	1.9
WEST NORTH CENT.	172	−0.3	−1.6	1.6
WEST SOUTH CENT.	293	0.5	−0.7	3.3
MOUNTAIN	122	−0.4	−1.1	1.9
PACIFIC	368	−0.9	0.6	3.1
PUERTO RICO	39	−1.8	4.7	6.4
REGION (RURAL):				
NEW ENGLAND	40	1.6	1.3	6.5
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	63	2.2	1.3	7.2
SOUTH ATLANTIC	226	2.6	2.1	8.4
EAST NORTH CENT.	213	1.2	−0.2	4.6
EAST SOUTH CENT.	232	2.3	2.6	8.7
WEST NORTH CENT.	271	2.0	0.9	6.6
WEST SOUTH CENT.	278	1.8	3.2	8.8
MOUNTAIN	141	4.1	1.3	9.2
PACIFIC	104	5.6	2.7	12.1
PUERTO RICO	5	−2.8	10.4	11.1
TEACHING STATUS:				
NON-TEACHING	2,935	0.4	1.1	5.0
MINOR	782	−0.4	−1.1	2.0
MAJOR	284	−0.5	−1.2	1.7
DSH PATIENT PERCENT:				
0	11	4.9	10.1	19.4
GT 0–0.10	982	−0.2	−0.4	3.0
0.10–0.16	873	0.7	−0.8	3.4
0.16–0.23	767	−0.6	−0.3	2.6
0.23–0.35	756	−0.2	0.1	3.4
GE 0.35	613	−0.1	2.2	5.8
URBAN IME/DSH:				
IME & DSH	982	−0.7	−1.2	1.6
IME/NO DSH	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
NO IME/DSH	1,441	−0.4	0.7	3.8
NO IME/NO DSH	6	5.4	9.8	19.7
RURAL HOSP. TYPES:				
NO SPECIAL STATUS	610	0.7	2.7	7.1
RRC	167	4.2	0.2	8.2
SCH/EACH	507	1.5	2.7	7.8
MDH	199	0.8	2.1	6.6
SCH AND RRC	75	4.0	0.5	8.2
TYPE OF OWNERSHIP:				
VOLUNTARY	2,440	−0.1	−0.4	3.1
PROPRIETARY	707	−0.6	0.9	3.8
GOVERNMENT	855	0.7	0.7	5.0
SPECIALTY HOSPITALS:				
EYE AND EAR	13	−1.4	11.5	13.7
TRAUMA	153	−0.3	−1.5	1.6
CANCER	10	0.5	−3.9	0.2
TEFRA HOSPITALS (NOT INCLUDED ON OTHER LINES):				
REHAB	166	10.3	2.8	16.9
PSYCH	198	0.1	15.9	20.1
LTC	143	1.3	15.9	20.4
CHILDREN	42	−1.4	−2.8	−0.9

Note: For CY 2003, under the OPPS transitional corridor policy, the following categories of hospitals are held harmless compared to their 1996 payment margin for these services: cancer and children's hospitals and rural hospitals with 100 or fewer beds.

[1] Some data necessary to classify hospitals by category were missing; thus, the total number of hospitals in each category may not equal the national total.

[2] This column shows the impact of updating the wage index used to calculate payment by applying the proposed FY 2003 hospital inpatient wage index after geographic reclassification by the Medicare Geographic Classification Review Board. The hospital inpatient proposed rule for FY 2003 was published in the FEDERAL REGISTER on May 9, 2002.

[3] This column shows the impact of changes resulting from the reclassification of HCPCS codes among APC groups and the recalibration of APC weights based on 2001 hospital claims data.

[4] This column shows changes in total payment from CY 2002 to CY 2003, excluding outlier and pass-through payments. It incorporates all of the changes reflected in columns 2 and 3. In addition, it shows the impact of the proposed CY 2003 payment update. The sum of the columns may be different from the percentage changes shown here due to rounding.

As stated elsewhere in this preamble, we propose to allocate 2 percent of the estimated 2003 expenditures to outlier payments. In Table 11 below, we provide a distribution by percentage of the total projected outlier payments for the categories of hospitals that we show in the impact table (Table 10).

We project, based on the mix of services for the hospitals that will be paid under the OPPS in 2003, that most hospitals will receive outlier payments. It appears that, with the exception of some smaller bed hospitals, all Tax Equity & Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 (TEFRA) hospitals can be expected to receive outlier payments. This is because TEFRA hospitals provide an atypical mix of specialty services (which account for less than 1 percent of total OPPS payment before consideration of outliers). A greater percentage of non-TEFRA hospitals are not projected to receive outlier payments.

The anticipated outlier payments for urban hospitals can be expected to ameliorate the impact of the wage index and APC changes on payments to urban hospitals.

TABLE 11.—DISTRIBUTION OF OUTLIER PAYMENTS FOR CY 2003 HOSPITAL OUTPATIENT PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM

	Number of hosps	Percent of total hosps	Number of hosps with outliers	Percent of total outlier payments
ALL HOSPITALS	4,551	100.00	4,306	100.00
NON-TEFRA HOSPITALS	4,002	88.00	3,987	99.40
URBAN HOSPS	2,429	53.40	2,420	83.20
LARGE URBAN (GT 1 MILL.)	1,398	30.80	1,396	55.20
OTHER URBAN (LE 1 MILL.)	1,031	22.60	1,024	28.00
RURAL HOSPS	1,573	34.60	1,567	16.00
BEDS (URBAN):				
0–99 BEDS	554	12.20	550	6.80
100–199 BEDS	882	19.40	877	18.20
200–299 BEDS	488	10.80	488	16.20
300–499 BEDS	364	8.00	364	21.00
500+ BEDS	141	3.00	141	21.00
BEDS (RURAL):				
0–49 BEDS	754	16.60	751	4.20
50–99 BEDS	479	10.60	477	5.00
100–149 BEDS	201	4.40	200	2.60
150–199 BEDS	73	1.60	73	2.00
200+ BEDS	66	1.40	66	2.40
VOLUME (URBAN):				
LT 5,000	188	4.20	180	1.00
5,000–10,999	310	6.80	309	2.80
11,000–20,999	467	10.20	467	7.00
21,000–42,999	659	14.40	659	15.80
GT 42,999	805	17.60	805	56.60
VOLUME (RURAL):				
LT 5,000	326	7.20	321	1.00
5,000–10,999	447	9.80	446	2.60
11,000–20,999	372	8.20	372	3.80
21,000–42,999	290	6.40	290	4.20
GT 42,999	138	3.00	138	4.40
REGION (URBAN):				
NEW ENGLAND	127	2.80	126	6.20
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	372	8.20	371	22.80
SOUTH ATLANTIC	370	8.20	369	11.00
EAST NORTH CENT.	413	9.00	409	15.60
EAST SOUTH CENT.	153	3.40	152	3.40
WEST NORTH CENT.	172	3.80	172	4.40
WEST SOUTH CENT.	293	6.40	292	8.20
MOUNTAIN	122	2.60	122	3.00
PACIFIC	368	8.00	368	8.60
PUERTO RICO	39	0.80	39	0.20
REGION (RURAL):				
NEW ENGLAND	40	0.80	40	1.00
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	63	1.40	63	1.00
SOUTH ATLANTIC	226	5.00	223	3.00
EAST NORTH CENT.	213	4.60	212	3.00
EAST SOUTH CENT.	232	5.00	232	1.60
WEST NORTH CENT.	271	6.00	270	2.40
WEST SOUTH CENT.	278	6.20	278	1.60
MOUNTAIN	141	3.00	141	1.40
PACIFIC	104	2.20	103	1.20
PUERTO RICO	5	0.20	5	0.00
TEACHING STATUS:				
NON-TEACHING	2,935	64.40	2,920	39.80

TABLE 11.—DISTRIBUTION OF OUTLIER PAYMENTS FOR CY 2003 HOSPITAL OUTPATIENT PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM—Continued

	Number of hosps	Percent of total hosps	Number of hosps with outliers	Percent of total outlier payments
MINOR	782	17.20	782	27.20
MAJOR	284	6.20	284	32.20
DSH PATIENT PERCENT:				
0	11	0.20	10	0.00
GT 0—0.10	982	21.60	978	24.80
0.10—0.16	873	19.20	873	19.40
0.16—0.23	767	16.80	765	17.60
0.23—0.35	756	16.60	753	20.00
GE 0.35	613	13.40	608	17.40
URBAN IME/DSH:				
IME & DSH	982	21.60	982	57.20
IME/NO DSH	0	0.00	0	0.00
NO IME/DSH	1,441	31.60	1,433	26.00
NO IME/NO DSH	6	0.20	5	0.00
RURAL HOSP. TYPES:				
NO SPECIAL STATUS	621	13.60	617	5.20
RRC	167	3.60	166	4.00
SCH/EACH	511	11.20	511	4.40
MDH	199	4.40	198	1.00
SCH AND RRC	75	1.60	75	1.40
TYPE OF OWNERSHIP:				
VOLUNTARY	2,440	53.60	2,435	73.60
PROPRIETARY	707	15.60	702	10.40
GOVERNMENT	855	18.80	850	15.20
SPECIALTY HOSPITALS:				
EYE AND EAR	13	0.20	13	0.20
TRAUMA	153	3.40	153	15.00
CANCER	10	0.20	10	3.80
TEFRA HOSPITALS (NOT INCLUDED ON OTHER LINES):				
REHAB	166	3.60	113	0.20
PSYCH	198	4.40	65	0.20
LTC	143	3.20	100	0.20
CHILDREN	42	1.00	41	0.20

5. Estimated Impacts of This Proposed Rule on Beneficiaries

For services for which the beneficiary pays a coinsurance of 20 percent of the payment rate, the beneficiary share of payment would increase for services for which OPPS payments would rise and would decrease for services for which OPPS payments would fall. For example for a mid level office visit (APC 0601), the minimum unadjusted copayment in 2002 was $9.67; under this proposed rule, the minimum unadjusted copayment would be $10.82 because the OPPS payment for the service would increase under this proposed rule. For some services (those services for which a national unadjusted copayment amount is shown in Addendum B), however, the beneficiary copayment is frozen based on historic data and would not change, therefore not presenting any potential impact on beneficiaries.

However, in all cases, the statute limits beneficiary liability for copayment for a service to the inpatient hospital deductible for the applicable year. This amount was $812 for 2002, but is not yet determined for 2003. In general, the impact of this proposed rule on beneficiaries would vary based on the service the beneficiary receives and whether the copayment for the service is one that is frozen under the OPPS.

B. Payment Suspension for Unfiled Cost Reports

Overall Impact

We have examined the impacts of this proposed rule as required by Executive Order 12866 (September 1993, Regulatory Planning and Review), the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA) (September 16, 1980, Pub. L. 96–354), section 1102(b) of the Social Security Act, the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–4), and Executive Order 13132. (A description of each of these requirements is stated above in section XIV.A.1.) We have determined that the proposed payment suspension provision does not have an economic impact on Medicare payments or other payments to providers. We are proposing to allow the Secretary flexibility in payment suspensions, but we are not altering the final payment determination in any way. With the implementation of the various prospective payment systems, the majority of the payment to providers is based on the PPS methodology and not on the cost report. Suspending all payments because the cost report is not timely filed negatively affects providers. Providing the Secretary with flexibility in payment suspension can lessen the financial impact on providers. For these reasons, we are not preparing analyses for either the RFA or section 1102(b) of the Act because we have determined, and we certify, that this rule would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities or a significant impact on the operations of a substantial number of small rural hospitals. Under the requirement for Unfunded Mandates, this proposed rule will not have an economic effect on State, local, or tribal governments, in the aggregate, or on the private sector.

Anticipated Effects

1. Effects on providers that file cost reports. The majority of providers that file cost reports comply with the timeliness provisions and will be unaffected by this proposed regulation.

In FY 2000, collectively 16 percent of hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, and home health agencies filed late cost reports. Of this 16 percent, 65 percent of those were only 1 day late. Currently, when a provider fails to file an acceptable cost report, the provider is placed on a complete payment suspension. Under this provision, for those providers who do not file timely, an immediate payment suspension less than the total suspension currently required might be imposed if the Secretary deemed it appropriate, which would allow the provider to more easily continue operations while completing and submitting the acceptable cost report.

2. Effects on other providers. The payment suspension provision does not affect other providers.

3. Effects on the Medicare Program. The provision would allow the Secretary to more effectively manage the Medicare program by imposing other than complete payment suspension when it is appropriate to do so. The Medicare program benefits because immediate complete payment suspension can be disruptive to providers and may negatively affect the care of Medicare patients. There are no costs to the Medicare program to doing so, because when the cost report is submitted, the suspended payments are returned to the provider.

4. Effects on Beneficiaries. We have determined that this provision has a potentially positive impact on beneficiaries. Under this proposed provision the Secretary will have the discretion to impose less than 100 percent payment suspension when a provider fails to timely file an acceptable cost report. Doing so will lessen the financial burden on the provider and thereby allow it to provide adequate services to its patient population as it works to complete and file an acceptable cost report.

Alternatives Considered

We considered not revising existing § 405.371(c) to provide that payment suspension could be ''in whole or in part''. However, we did not choose this option because we believe the Secretary should have the discretion to impose partial payment suspensions when circumstances warrant in order to more effectively manage the Medicare program.

Conclusion

In conclusion, we have determined that the proposed payment suspension provision does not have an economic impact on Medicare payments.

Federalism

Since this regulation does not impose any costs on State or local governments, it will not have an effect on State or local governments. State or local governments will have no roles or responsibilities associated with this provision.

In accordance with the provisions of Executive Order 12866, this regulation was reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget.

List of Subjects

42 CFR Part 405

Administrative practice and procedure, Health facilities, Health professions, Kidney diseases, Medicare, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Rural areas, X-rays.

42 CFR Part 410

Health facilities, Health professions, Kidney diseases, Laboratories, Medicare, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Rural areas, X-rays.

42 CFR Part 419

Hospitals, Medicare, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services proposes to amend 42 CFR chapter IV as follows:

PART 405—FEDERAL HEALTH INSURANCE FOR THE AGED AND DISABLED

Subpart C—Suspension of Payment, Recovery of Overpayments, and Repayment of Scholarships and Loans

1. The authority citation for subpart C continues to read as follows:

Authority: Secs. 1102, 1815, 1833, 1842, 1866, 1870, 1871, 1879, and 1892 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1302, 1395g, 1395l, 1395u, 1395cc, 1395gg, 1395hh, 1395pp, and 1395ccc) and 31 U.S.C. 3711.

2.Section 405.371(c) is revised to read as follows:

§ 405.371 Suspension, offset and recoupment of Medicare payments to providers and suppliers of services.

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(c) Suspension of payment in the case of unfiled cost reports. If a provider has failed to timely file an acceptable cost report, payment to the provider is immediately suspended in whole or in part until a cost report is filed and determined by the intermediary to be acceptable. In the case of an unfiled cost report, the provisions of § 405.372 do not apply. (See § 405.372(a)(2) concerning failure to furnish other information.)

PART 410—SUPPLEMENTARY MEDICAL INSURANCE (SMI) BENEFITS

1.The authority citation continues to read as follows:

Authority: Secs. 1102 and 1871 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1302 and 1395hh).

2. In 410.43 republish the introductory text of paragraph (b), and add a new paragraph (b)(6) to read as follows:

§ 410.43 Partial hospitalization services: Conditions and exclusions.

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(b) The following services are separately covered and not paid as partial hospitalization services:

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(6) Clinical social worker services that meet the requirements of section 1861(hh)(2) of the Act.

PART 419—PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM FOR HOSPITAL OUTPATIENT DEPARTMENT SERVICES

1. The authority citation continues to read as follows:

Authority: Secs. 1102, 1833(t), and 1871 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1302, 1395l(t), and 1395hh).

§ 419.66 [Amended]

2. In § 419.66, paragraph (c)(1) is amended by adding the phrase ''or by any category previously in effect'' after ''categories'' and before ''and'.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.773, Medicare—Hospital Insurance; and Program No. 93.774, Medicare—Supplementary Medical Insurance Program)

Dated: July 31, 2002.

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Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

Approved: August 5, 2002.

Tommy G. Thompson,

Secretary.

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ADDENDUM A.—LIST OF AMBULATORY PAYMENT CLASSIFICATIONS (APCS) WITH STATUS INDICATORS, RELATIVE WEIGHTS, PAYMENT RATES, AND COPAYMENT AMOUNTS CALENDAR YEAR 2003

APC	Group title	Status indicator	Relative weight	Payment rate	National unadjusted copayment	Minimum unadjusted copayment
0620	Critical Care	S	10.25	$533.09	$150.55	$106.62
0656	Transcatheter Placement of Drug-Eluting Coronary Stents	T	90.90	$4,927.70		$985.54
0657	Placement of Tissue Clips	S	1.38	$71.77		$14.35
0658	Percutaneous Breast Biopsies	T	5.57	$289.69		$57.94

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APC	Group title	Status indicator	Relative weight	Payment rate	National unadjusted copayment	Minimum unadjusted copayment
0001	Level I Photochemotherapy	S	0.43	$22.36	$7.88	$4.47
0002	Fine needle Biopsy/Aspiration	T	0.63	$32.77	$8.52	$6.55
0003	Bone Marrow Biopsy/Aspiration	T	1.24	$64.49	$27.08	$12.90
0004	Level I Needle Biopsy/Aspiration Except Bone Marrow.	T	1.63	$84.77	$22.04	$16.95
0005	Level II Needle Biopsy /Aspiration Except Bone Marrow.	T	3.02	$157.07	$69.11	$31.41
0006	Level I Incision & Drainage	T	1.89	$98.30	$25.56	$19.66
0007	Level II Incision & Drainage	T	9.44	$490.96	$103.10	$98.19
0008	Level III Incision and Drainage	T	16.32	$848.79		$169.76
0009	Nail Procedures	T	0.68	$35.37	$8.34	$7.07
0010	Level I Destruction of Lesion	T	0.70	$36.41	$10.56	$7.28
0011	Level II Destruction of Lesion	T	1.93	$100.38	$27.88	$20.08
0012	Level I Debridement & Destruction	T	0.76	$39.53	$10.67	$7.91
0013	Level II Debridement & Destruction	T	1.10	$57.21	$14.30	$11.44
0015	Level III Debridement & Destruction	T	1.43	$74.37	$18.59	$14.87
0016	Level IV Debridement & Destruction	T	2.57	$133.66	$56.14	$26.73
0017	Level VI Debridement & Destruction	T	16.46	$856.07	$227.84	$171.21
0018	Biopsy of Skin/Puncture of Lesion	T	0.92	$47.85	$15.79	$9.57
0019	Level I Excision/ Biopsy	T	3.94	$204.92	$75.82	$40.98
0020	Level II Excision/ Biopsy	T	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
0021	Level III Excision/ Biopsy	T	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
0022	Level IV Excision/ Biopsy	T	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
0023	Exploration Penetrating Wound	T	2.38	$123.78	$40.37	$24.76
0024	Level I Skin Repair	T	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
0025	Level II Skin Repair	T	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27
0027	Level IV Skin Repair	T	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
0028	Level I Breast Surgery	T	17.44	$907.04	$303.74	$181.41
0029	Level II Breast Surgery	T	29.89	$1,554.55	$632.64	$310.91
0030	Level III Breast Surgery	T	40.23	$2,092.32	$763.55	$418.46
0032	Insertion of Central Venous/Arterial Catheter	T	7.14	$371.34		$74.27
0033	Partial Hospitalization	P	4.96	$257.96		$51.59
0035	Placement of Arterial or Central Venous Catheter	T	0.24	$12.48	$3.74	$2.50
0041	Level I Arthroscopy	T	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
0042	Level II Arthroscopy	T	43.24	$2,248.87	$804.74	$449.77
0043	Closed Treatment Fracture Finger/Toe/Trunk	T	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
0045	Bone/Joint Manipulation Under Anesthesia	T	13.47	$700.56	$280.22	$140.11
0046	Open/Percutaneous Treatment Fracture or Dislocation.	T	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
0047	Arthroplasty without Prosthesis	T	29.59	$1,538.95	$537.03	$307.79
0048	Arthroplasty with Prosthesis	T	36.93	$1,920.69	$633.83	$384.14
0049	Level I Musculoskeletal Procedures Except Hand and Foot.	T	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
0050	Level II Musculoskeletal Procedures Except Hand and Foot.	T	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
0051	Level III Musculoskeletal Procedures Except Hand and Foot.	T	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
0052	Level IV Musculoskeletal Procedures Except Hand and Foot.	T	42.37	$2,203.62		$440.72
0053	Level I Hand Musculoskeletal Procedures	T	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
0054	Level II Hand Musculoskeletal Procedures	T	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
0055	Level I Foot Musculoskeletal Procedures	T	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
0056	Level II Foot Musculoskeletal Procedures	T	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
0057	Bunion Procedures	T	23.87	$1,241.45	$496.58	$248.29
0058	Level I Strapping and Cast Application	S	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
0060	Manipulation Therapy	S	0.36	$18.72		$3.74

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APC	Group title	Status indicator	Relative weight	Payment rate	National unadjusted copayment	Minimum unadjusted copayment
0068	CPAP Initiation	S	1.59	$82.69	$45.48	$16.54
0069	Thoracoscopy	T	29.51	$1,534.79	$591.64	$306.96
0070	Thoracentesis/Lavage Procedures	T	3.30	$171.63		$34.33
0071	Level I Endoscopy Upper Airway	T	1.01	$52.53	$14.18	$10.51
0072	Level II Endoscopy Upper Airway	T	1.66	$86.33	$37.99	$17.27
0073	Level III Endoscopy Upper Airway	T	3.63	$188.79	$74.14	$37.76
0074	Level IV Endoscopy Upper Airway	T	12.84	$667.80	$295.70	$133.56
0075	Level V Endoscopy Upper Airway	T	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
0076	Endoscopy Lower Airway	T	9.30	$483.68	$189.92	$96.74
0077	Level I Pulmonary Treatment	S	0.26	$13.52	$7.44	$2.70
0078	Level II Pulmonary Treatment	S	0.68	$35.37	$15.21	$7.07
0079	Ventilation Initiation and Management	S	1.63	$84.77	$16.80	$16.95
0080	Diagnostic Cardiac Catheterization	T	35.64	$1,853.60	$838.92	$370.72
0081	Non-Coronary Angioplasty or Atherectomy	T	22.69	$1,180.08		$236.02
0082	Coronary Atherectomy	T	75.42	$3,922.52	$1,137.53	$784.50
0083	Coronary Angioplasty and Percutaneous Valvuloplasty.	T	47.83	$2,487.59		$497.52
0084	Level I Electrophysiologic Evaluation	S	9.60	$499.29		$99.86
0085	Level II Electrophysiologic Evaluation	T	31.77	$1,652.33	$363.51	$330.47
0086	Ablate Heart Dysrhythm Focus	T	43.70	$2,272.79	$772.75	$454.56
0087	Cardiac Electrophysiologic Recording/Mapping	T	5.81	$302.17		$60.43
0088	Thrombectomy	T	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
0089	Insertion/Replacement of Permanent Pacemaker and Electrodes.	T	108.92	$5,664.82	$1,642.80	$1,132.96
0090	Insertion/Replacement of Pacemaker Pulse Generator.	T	77.15	$4,012.49	$1,444.50	$802.50
0091	Level II Vascular Ligation	T	27.03	$1,405.80	$348.23	$281.16
0092	Level I Vascular Ligation	T	24.97	$1,298.66	$505.37	$259.73
0093	Vascular Repair/Fistula Construction	T	26.29	$1,367.32	$277.34	$273.46
0094	Level I Resuscitation and Cardioversion	S	2.68	$139.38	$47.39	$27.88
0095	Cardiac Rehabilitation	S	0.66	$34.33	$16.73	$6.87
0096	Non-Invasive Vascular Studies	S	1.82	$94.66	$48.15	$18.93
0097	Cardiac and Ambulatory Blood Pressure Monitoring	X	0.84	$43.69	$23.80	$8.74
0098	Injection of Sclerosing Solution	T	1.90	$98.82	$20.88	$19.76
0099	Electrocardiograms	S	0.38	$19.76		$3.95
0100	Stress Tests and Continuous ECG	X	1.34	$69.69	$38.33	$13.94
0101	Tilt Table Evaluation	S	4.40	$228.84	$105.27	$45.77
0103	Miscellaneous Vascular Procedures	T	11.26	$585.62	$210.82	$117.12
0104	Transcatheter Placement of Intracoronary Stents	T	72.72	$3,782.09		$756.42
0105	Revision/Removal of Pacemakers, AICD, or Vascular	T	19.14	$995.45	$370.40	$199.09
0106	Insertion/Replacement/Repair of Pacemaker and/or Electrodes.	T	29.23	$1,520.22	$410.46	$304.04
0107	Insertion of Cardioverter-Defibrillator	T	181.51	$9,440.15	$2,076.83	$1,888.03
0108	Insertion/Replacement/Repair of Cardioverter-Defibrillator Leads.	T	232.69	$12,101.97		$2,420.39
0109	Removal of Implanted Devices	T	7.68	$399.43	$131.49	$79.89
0110	Transfusion	S	4.04	$210.12		$42.02
0111	Blood Product Exchange	S	13.60	$707.32	$198.05	$141.46
0112	Apheresis, Photopheresis, and Plasmapheresis	S	39.40	$2,049.15	$612.47	$409.83
0113	Excision Lymphatic System	T	19.75	$1,027.18		$205.44
0114	Thyroid/Lymphadenectomy Procedures	T	37.55	$1,952.94	$507.76	$390.59
0115	Cannula/Access Device Procedures	T	23.48	$1,221.17	$439.62	$244.23
0116	Chemotherapy Administration by Other Technique Except Infusion.	S	0.85	$44.21		$8.84
0117	Chemotherapy Administration by Infusion Only	S	3.87	$201.27	$52.33	$40.25
0118	Chemotherapy Administration by Both Infusion and Other Technique.	S	5.68	$295.41	$72.03	$59.08
0119	Implantation of Devices	T	25.88	$1,345.99		$269.20
0120	Infusion Therapy Except Chemotherapy	T	1.81	$94.14	$25.42	$18.83
0121	Level I Tube changes and Repositioning	T	2.17	$112.86	$45.14	$22.57
0122	Level II Tube changes and Repositioning	T	3.89	$202.32	$46.53	$40.46
0123	Bone Marrow Harvesting and Bone Marrow/Stem Cell Transplant.	S	4.86	$252.76		$50.55
0124	Revision of Implanted Infusion Pump	T	23.47	$1,220.65		$244.13
0125	Refilling of Infusion Pump	T	1.73	$89.98		$18.00
0130	Level I Laparoscopy	T	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
0131	Level II Laparoscopy	T	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
0132	Level III Laparoscopy	T	57.95	$3,013.92	$1,239.22	$602.78
0140	Esophageal Dilation without Endoscopy	T	5.84	$303.73	$107.24	$60.75

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APC	Group title	Status indicator	Relative weight	Payment rate	National unadjusted copayment	Minimum unadjusted copayment
0141	Upper GI Procedures	T	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
0142	Small Intestine Endoscopy	T	8.21	$426.99	$152.78	$85.40
0143	Lower GI Endoscopy	T	8.37	$435.32	$186.06	$87.06
0146	Level I Sigmoidoscopy	T	3.47	$180.47	$64.40	$36.09
0147	Level II Sigmoidoscopy	T	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
0148	Level I Anal/Rectal Procedure	T	3.61	$187.75	$67.59	$37.55
0149	Level III Anal/Rectal Procedure	T	16.91	$879.47	$293.06	$175.89
0150	Level IV Anal/Rectal Procedure	T	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
0151	Endoscopic Retrograde Cholangio-Pancreatography (ERCP).	T	18.23	$948.12	$245.46	$189.62
0152	Percutaneous Abdominal and Biliary Procedures	T	6.18	$321.42	$80.36	$64.28
0153	Peritoneal and Abdominal Procedures	T	25.99	$1,351.71	$540.68	$270.34
0154	Hernia/Hydrocele Procedures	T	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
0155	Level II Anal/Rectal Procedure	T	10.05	$522.69	$188.17	$104.54
0156	Level II Urinary and Anal Procedures	T	3.10	$161.23	$48.37	$32.25
0157	Colorectal Cancer Screening: Barium Enema	S	2.73	$141.98	$22.19	$28.40
0158	Colorectal Cancer Screening: Colonoscopy	T	7.56	$393.19	....	$98.30
0159	Colorectal Cancer Screening: Flexible Sigmoidoscopy	S	2.48	$128.98	....	$32.25
0160	Level I Cystourethroscopy and other Genitourinary Procedures.	T	6.44	$334.94	$105.06	$66.99
0161	Level II Cystourethroscopy and other Genitourinary Procedures.	T	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
0162	Level III Cystourethroscopy and other Genitourinary Procedures.	T	21.50	$1,118.19	....	$223.64
0163	Level IV Cystourethroscopy and other Genitourinary Procedures.	T	24.77	$1,288.26	....	$257.65
0164	Level I Urinary and Anal Procedures	T	1.18	$61.37	$18.41	$12.27
0165	Level III Urinary and Anal Procedures	T	12.62	$656.35	....	$131.27
0166	Level I Urethral Procedures	T	15.63	$812.90	$218.73	$162.58
0167	Level III Urethral Procedures	T	27.15	$1,412.04	$555.84	$282.41
0168	Level II Urethral Procedures	T	24.10	$1,253.42	$405.60	$250.68
0169	Lithotripsy	T	46.44	$2,415.30	$1,115.69	$483.06
0170	Dialysis	S	4.79	$249.12	....	$49.82
0179	Urinary Incontinence Procedures	T	81.28	$4,227.29	$1,817.73	$845.46
0180	Circumcision	T	18.95	$985.57	$304.87	$197.11
0181	Penile Procedures	T	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
0182	Insertion of Penile Prosthesis	T	83.80	$4,358.35	$1,438.26	$871.67
0183	Testes/Epididymis Procedures	T	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
0184	Prostate Biopsy	T	3.66	$190.35	$95.18	$38.07
0187	Miscellaneous Placement/Repositioning	X	4.19	$217.92	$94.96	$43.58
0188	Level II Female Reproductive Proc	T	1.12	$58.25	$11.95	$11.65
0189	Level III Female Reproductive Proc	T	1.63	$84.77	$18.60	$16.95
0190	Surgical Hysteroscopy	T	20.06	$1,043.30	$424.28	$208.66
0191	Level I Female Reproductive Proc	T	0.22	$11.44	$3.32	$2.29
0192	Level IV Female Reproductive Proc	T	2.94	$152.91	$42.81	$30.58
0193	Level V Female Reproductive Proc	T	14.57	$757.77	$171.13	$151.55
0194	Level VI Female Reproductive Proc	T	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
0195	Level VII Female Reproductive Proc	T	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
0196	Dilation and Curettage	T	16.32	$848.79	$338.23	$169.76
0197	Infertility Procedures	T	1.19	$61.89	$24.76	$12.38
0198	Pregnancy and Neonatal Care Procedures	T	1.33	$69.17	$32.92	$13.83
0199	Vaginal Delivery	T	5.69	$295.93	$72.98	$59.19
0200	Therapeutic Abortion	T	14.49	$753.61	$307.83	$150.72
0201	Spontaneous Abortion	T	15.84	$823.82	$329.65	$164.76
0202	Level VIII Female Reproductive Proc	T	39.09	$2,033.03	$996.18	$406.61
0203	Level IV Nerve Injections	T	10.96	$570.02	$256.51	$114.00
0204	Level I Nerve Injections	T	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
0206	Level II Nerve Injections	T	4.89	$254.32	$75.55	$50.86
0207	Level III Nerve Injections	T	5.97	$310.49	$123.69	$62.10
0208	Laminotomies and Laminectomies	T	39.95	$2,077.76	....	$415.55
0209	Extended EEG Studies and Sleep Studies, Level II	S	12.09	$628.79	$280.58	$125.76
0212	Nervous System Injections	T	3.53	$183.59	$84.45	$36.72
0213	Extended EEG Studies and Sleep Studies, Level I	S	3.38	$175.79	$70.41	$35.16
0214	Electroencephalogram	S	2.37	$123.26	$61.63	$24.65
0215	Level I Nerve and Muscle Tests	S	0.60	$31.21	....	$6.24
0216	Level III Nerve and Muscle Tests	S	3.06	$159.15	$71.62	$31.83
0218	Level II Nerve and Muscle Tests	S	1.06	$55.13	....	$11.03
0220	Level I Nerve Procedures	T	16.66	$866.47	....	$173.29
0221	Level II Nerve Procedures	T	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69

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APC	Group title	Status indicator	Relative weight	Payment rate	National unadjusted copayment	Minimum unadjusted copayment
0222	Implantation of Neurological Device	T	140.56	$7,310.39		$1,462.08
0223	Implantation of Pain Management Device	T	20.30	$1,055.78		$211.16
0224	Implantation of Reservoir/Pump/Shunt	T	39.14	$2,035.63	$453.41	$407.13
0225	Implantation of Neurostimulator Electrodes	T	44.47	$2,312.84		$462.57
0226	Implantation of Drug Infusion Reservoir	T	44.20	$2,298.80		$459.76
0227	Implantation of Drug Infusion Device	T	128.03	$6,658.71		$1,331.74
0228	Creation of Lumbar Subarachnoid Shunt	T	55.05	$2,863.10	$696.46	$572.62
0229	Transcatherter Placement of Intravascular Shunts	T	49.00	$2,548.44	$662.59	$509.69
0230	Level I Eye Tests & Treatments	S	0.78	$40.57	$15.82	$8.11
0231	Level III Eye Tests & Treatments	S	2.24	$116.50	$52.43	$23.30
0232	Level I Anterior Segment Eye Procedures	T	4.91	$255.36	$112.36	$51.07
0233	Level II Anterior Segment Eye Procedures	T	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
0234	Level III Anterior Segment Eye Procedures	T	21.45	$1,115.59	$535.48	$223.12
0235	Level I Posterior Segment Eye Procedures	T	5.62	$292.29	$81.84	$58.46
0236	Level II Posterior Segment Eye Procedures	T	20.62	$1,072.43		$214.49
0237	Level III Posterior Segment Eye Procedures	T	35.09	$1,825.00	$818.54	$365.00
0238	Level I Repair and Plastic Eye Procedures	T	3.04	$158.11	$58.96	$31.62
0239	Level II Repair and Plastic Eye Procedures	T	6.91	$359.38	$115.94	$71.88
0240	Level III Repair and Plastic Eye Procedures	T	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
0241	Level IV Repair and Plastic Eye Procedures	T	21.89	$1,138.48	$384.47	$227.70
0242	Level V Repair and Plastic Eye Procedures	T	28.87	$1,501.50	$597.36	$300.30
0243	Strabismus/Muscle Procedures	T	20.94	$1,089.07	$431.39	$217.81
0244	Corneal Transplant	T	38.14	$1,983.62	$851.42	$396.72
0245	Level I Cataract Procedures without IOL Insert	T	14.39	$748.41	$251.21	$149.68
0246	Cataract Procedures with IOL Insert	T	23.59	$1,226.89	$495.96	$245.38
0247	Laser Eye Procedures Except Retinal	T	4.97	$258.48	$108.56	$51.70
0248	Laser Retinal Procedures	T	4.44	$230.92	$96.99	$46.18
0249	Level II Cataract Procedures without IOL Insert	T	27.75	$1,443.25	$524.67	$288.65
0250	Nasal Cauterization/Packing	T	1.68	$87.38	$30.58	$17.48
0251	Level I ENT Procedures	T	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
0252	Level II ENT Procedures	T	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
0253	Level III ENT Procedures	T	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
0254	Level IV ENT Procedures	T	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
0256	Level V ENT Procedures	T	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
0258	Tonsil and Adenoid Procedures	T	21.15	$1,099.99	$437.25	$220.00
0259	Level VI ENT Procedures	T	291.05	$15,137.22	$7,417.24	$3,027.44
0260	Level I Plain Film Except Teeth	X	0.81	$42.13	$23.17	$8.43
0261	Level II Plain Film Except Teeth Including Bone Density Measurement.	X	1.37	$71.25	$34.15	$14.25
0262	Plain Film of Teeth	X	0.60	$31.21	$10.30	$6.24
0263	Level I Miscellaneous Radiology Procedures	X	1.99	$103.50	$45.54	$20.70
0264	Level II Miscellaneous Radiology Procedures	X	2.75	$143.02	$77.23	$28.60
0265	Level I Diagnostic Ultrasound Except Vascular	S	1.04	$54.09	$29.75	$10.82
0266	Level II Diagnostic Ultrasound Except Vascular	S	1.70	$88.42	$48.63	$17.68
0267	Level III Diagnostic Ultrasound Except Vascular	S	2.58	$134.18	$65.52	$26.84
0268	Ultrasound Guidance Procedures	S	1.48	$76.97		$15.39
0269	Level III Echocardiogram Except Transesophageal	S	3.42	$177.87	$92.49	$35.57
0270	Transesophageal Echocardiogram	S	5.65	$293.85	$146.79	$58.77
0271	Mammography	S	0.69	$35.89	$16.80	$7.18
0272	Level I Fluoroscopy	X	1.38	$71.77	$38.64	$14.35
0274	Myelography	S	3.21	$166.95	$80.14	$33.39
0275	Arthrography	S	3.09	$160.71	$69.09	$32.14
0276	Level I Digestive Radiology	S	1.69	$87.90	$41.72	$17.58
0277	Level II Digestive Radiology	S	2.50	$130.02	$60.47	$26.00
0278	Diagnostic Urography	S	2.65	$137.82	$66.07	$27.56
0279	Level II Angiography and Venography except Extremity.	S	8.41	$437.40	$174.57	$87.48
0280	Level III Angiography and Venography except Extremity.	S	15.51	$806.66	$353.85	$161.33
0281	Venography of Extremity	S	5.23	$272.01	$115.16	$54.40
0282	Miscellaneous Computerized Axial Tomography	S	1.76	$91.54	$44.51	$18.31
0283	Computerized Axial Tomography with Contrast Material.	S	4.75	$247.04		$49.41
0284	Magnetic Resonance Imaging and Magnetic Resonance Angiography with Contrast Material.	S	7.74	$402.55	$201.02	$80.51
0285	Myocardial Positron Emission Tomography (PET)	S	16.73	$870.11	$374.15	$174.02
0286	Myocardial Scans	S	6.94	$360.94	$198.52	$72.19
0287	Complex Venography	S	7.13	$370.82	$114.51	$74.16
0288	Bone Density:Axial Skeleton	S	1.38	$71.77		$14.35

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0289	Needle Localization for Breast Biopsy	X	1.84	$95.70	$44.80	$19.14
0290	Level I Diagnostic Nuclear Medicine Excluding Myocardial Scans.	S	2.16	$112.34	$56.17	$22.47
0291	Level II Diagnostic Nuclear Medicine Excluding Myocardial Scans.	S	4.19	$217.92	$108.96	$43.58
0292	Level III Diagnostic Nuclear Medicine Excluding Myocardial Scans.	S	4.53	$235.60	$117.80	$47.12
0294	Level II Therapeutic Nuclear Medicine	S	4.45	$231.44	$127.29	$46.29
0295	Level I Therapeutic Nuclear Medicine	S	3.86	$200.75	$110.41	$40.15
0296	Level I Therapeutic Radiologic Procedures	S	2.12	$110.26	$52.92	$22.05
0297	Level II Therapeutic Radiologic Procedures	S	7.80	$405.67	$172.51	$81.13
0299	Miscellaneous Radiation Treatment	S	6.20	$322.46		$64.49
0300	Level I Radiation Therapy	S	1.53	$79.57		$15.91
0301	Level II Radiation Therapy	S	2.22	$115.46		$23.09
0302	Level III Radiation Therapy	S	10.17	$528.93	$200.99	$105.79
0303	Treatment Device Construction	X	2.93	$152.39	$68.58	$30.48
0304	Level I Therapeutic Radiation Treatment Preparation	X	1.69	$87.90	$41.52	$17.58
0305	Level II Therapeutic Radiation Treatment Preparation	X	3.87	$201.27	$91.38	$40.25
0310	Level III Therapeutic Radiation Treatment Preparation.	X	14.38	$747.89	$339.05	$149.58
0312	Radioelement Applications	S	4.23	$220.00		$44.00
0313	Brachytherapy	S	13.80	$717.72		$143.54
0314	Hyperthermic Therapies	S	4.24	$220.52	$101.77	$44.10
0320	Electroconvulsive Therapy	S	4.46	$231.96	$80.06	$46.39
0321	Biofeedback and Other Training	S	1.27	$66.05	$21.78	$13.21
0322	Brief Individual Psychotherapy	S	1.44	$74.89	$12.40	$14.98
0323	Extended Individual Psychotherapy	S	1.95	$101.42	$21.26	$20.28
0324	Family Psychotherapy	S	2.71	$140.94		$28.19
0325	Group Psychotherapy	S	1.55	$80.61	$18.27	$16.12
0330	Dental Procedures	S	0.64	$33.29		$6.66
0332	Computerized Axial Tomography and Computerized Angiography without Contrast Material.	S	3.62	$188.27	$91.27	$37.65
0333	Computerized Axial Tomography and Computerized Angio w/o Contrast Material followed by Contrast.	S	5.69	$295.93	$146.98	$59.19
0335	Magnetic Resonance Imaging, Miscellaneous	S	6.46	$335.98	$151.46	$67.20
0336	Magnetic Resonance Imaging and Magnetic Resonance Angiography without Contrast.	S	7.01	$364.58	$176.94	$72.92
0337	MRI and Magnetic Resonance Angiography without Contrast Material followed by Contrast Material.	S	9.86	$512.81	$240.77	$102.56
0339	Observation	S	7.60	$395.27		$79.05
0340	Minor Ancillary Procedures	X	0.66	$34.33		$6.87
0341	Skin Tests and Miscellaneous Red Blood Cell Tests	X	0.16	$8.32	$3.08	$1.66
0342	Level I Pathology	X	0.23	$11.96	$5.88	$2.39
0343	Level II Pathology	X	0.47	$24.44	$13.20	$4.89
0344	Level III Pathology	X	0.66	$34.33	$18.54	$6.87
0345	Level I Transfusion Laboratory Procedures	X	0.19	$9.88	$3.06	$1.98
0346	Level II Transfusion Laboratory Procedures	X	0.42	$21.84	$5.46	$4.37
0347	Level III Transfusion Laboratory Procedures	X	0.98	$50.97	$12.74	$10.19
0348	Fertility Laboratory Procedures	X	0.83	$43.17		$8.63
0352	Level I Injections	X	0.14	$7.28		$1.46
0353	Level II Allergy Injections	X	0.43	$22.36		$4.47
0354	Administration of Influenza/Pneumonia Vaccine	K	0.09	$4.68		
0355	Level I Immunizations	K	0.24	$12.48		$2.50
0356	Level II Immunizations	K	0.69	$35.89		$7.18
0359	Level II Injections	X	0.83	$43.17		$8.63
0360	Level I Alimentary Tests	X	1.65	$85.81	$42.91	$17.16
0361	Level II Alimentary Tests	X	3.55	$184.63	$83.23	$36.93
0362	Level III Otorhinolaryngologic Function Tests	X	2.83	$147.19		$29.44
0363	Level I Otorhinolaryngologic Function Tests	X	0.76	$39.53	$14.63	$7.91
0364	Level I Audiometry	X	0.45	$23.40	$9.13	$4.68
0365	Level II Audiometry	X	1.31	$68.13	$20.16	$13.63
0367	Level I Pulmonary Test	X	0.60	$31.21	$15.61	$6.24
0368	Level II Pulmonary Tests	X	0.96	$49.93	$24.97	$9.99
0369	Level III Pulmonary Tests	X	2.39	$124.30	$41.02	$24.86
0370	Allergy Tests	X	0.74	$38.49	$11.16	$7.70
0371	Level I Allergy Injections	X	0.50	$26.00		$5.20
0372	Therapeutic Phlebotomy	X	0.56	$29.13	$10.09	$5.83
0373	Neuropsychological Testing	X	2.37	$123.26		$24.65
0374	Monitoring Psychiatric Drugs	X	1.20	$62.41		$12.48

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0600	Low Level Clinic Visits	V	0.91	$47.33		$9.47
0601	Mid Level Clinic Visits	V	1.04	$54.09		$10.82
0602	High Level Clinic Visits	V	1.57	$81.65		$16.33
0610	Low Level Emergency Visits	V	1.49	$77.49	$19.57	$15.50
0611	Mid Level Emergency Visits	V	2.66	$138.34	$36.47	$27.67
0612	High Level Emergency Visits	V	4.53	$235.60	$54.14	$47.12
0620	Critical Care	S	10.25	$533.09	$150.55	$106.62
0656	Transcatheter Placement of Drug-Eluting Coronary Stents.	T	90.90	$4,927.70		$985.54
0657	Placement of Tissue Clips	S	1.38	$71.77		$14.35
0658	Percutaneous Breast Biopsies	T	5.57	$289.69		$57.94
0659	Hyperbaric Oxygen	S	3.12	$162.27		$32.45
0660	Level II Otorhinolaryngologic Function Tests	X	1.65	$85.81	$31.75	$17.16
0661	Level IV Pathology	X	3.46	$179.95	$98.97	$35.99
0662	CT Angiography	S	5.96	$309.97	$170.48	$61.99
0663	Stereoteactic Radiosurgery	S	63.69	$3,312.45		$662.49
0664	Proton Beam Radiation Therapy	S	11.03	$573.66		$114.73
0665	Bone Density:AppendicularSkeleton	S	0.73	$37.97		$7.59
0666	Myocardial Add-on Scans	S	1.59	$82.69	$45.48	$16.54
0667	Nonmyocardial Positron Emission Tomography (PET)	S	18.68	$971.53		$194.31
0668	Level I Angiography and Venography except Extremity.	S	5.36	$278.77	$122.66	$55.75
0669	Digital Mammography	S	0.95	$49.41		$9.88
0670	Intravenous and Intracardiac Ultrasound	S	14.78	$768.69	$276.73	$153.74
0671	Level II Echocardiogram Except Transesophageal	S	1.68	$87.38	$45.44	$17.48
0672	Level IV Posterior Segment Procedures	T	39.95	$2,077.76	$1,038.88	$415.55
0673	Level IV Anterior Segment Eye Procedures	T	27.47	$1,428.69	$685.77	$285.74
0674	Prostate Cryoablation	T	69.25	$3,601.62		$720.32
0675	Prostatic Thermotherapy	T	51.57	$2,682.10		$536.42
0676	Level II Transcatheter Thrombolysis	T	4.62	$240.28	$64.88	$48.06
0677	Level I Transcatheter Thrombolysis	T	2.80	$145.63		$29.13
0678	External Counterpulsation	T	2.55	$132.62		$26.52
0679	Level II Resuscitation and Cardioversion	S	5.70	$296.45	$100.79	$59.29
0680	Insertion of Patient Activated Event Recorders	S	51.95	$2,701.87		$540.37
0681	Knee Arthroplasty	T	158.14	$8,224.70	$3,289.88	$1,644.94
0682	Level V Debridement & Destruction	T	6.74	$350.54	$161.25	$70.11
0683	Level II Photochemotherapy	S	2.11	$109.74	$39.51	$21.95
0684	Prostate Brachytherapy	T	103.47	$5,381.37		$1,076.27
0685	Level III Needle Biopsy/Aspiration Except Bone Marrow.	T	4.47	$232.48	$102.29	$46.50
0686	Level III Skin Repair	T	11.30	$587.70	$270.34	$117.54
0687	Revision/Removal of Neurostimulator Electrodes	T	19.50	$1,014.18	$466.52	$202.84
0688	Revision/Removal of Neurostimulator Pulse Generator Receiver.	T	30.58	$1,590.44	$779.32	$318.09
0689	Electronic Analysis of Cardioverter-defibrillators	S	0.60	$31.21	$12.03	$6.24
0690	Electronic Analysis of Pacemakers and other Cardiac Devices.	S	0.45	$23.40	$10.63	$4.68
0691	Electronic Analysis of Programmable Shunts/Pumps	S	3.14	$163.31	$89.02	$32.66
0692	Electronic Analysis of Neurostimulator Pulse Generators.	S	0.85	$44.21	$24.32	$8.84
0693	Level II Breast Reconstruction	T	39.30	$2,043.95	$798.17	$408.79
0694	Mohs Surgery	T	3.90	$202.84	$81.14	$40.57
0695	Level VII Debridement & Destruction	T	19.65	$1,021.98	$266.59	$204.40
0697	Level I Echocardiogram Except Transesophageal	S	1.51	$78.53	$40.84	$15.71
0698	Level II Eye Tests & Treatments	S	1.01	$52.53	$20.49	$10.51
0699	Level IV Eye Tests & Treatment	T	2.37	$123.26	$55.47	$24.65
0701	SR 89 chloride, per mCi	K	6.43	$334.42		$66.88
0702	SM 153 lexidronam, 50 mCi	K	15.02	$781.18		$156.24
0706	New Technology - Level I ($0 - $50)	S		$25.00		$5.00
0707	New Technology - Level II ($50 - $100)	S		$75.00		$15.00
0708	New Technology - Level III ($100 - $200)	S		$150.00		$30.00
0709	New Technology - Level IV ($200 - $300)	S		$250.00		$50.00
0710	New Technology - Level V ($300 - $500)	S		$400.00		$80.00
0711	New Technology - Level VI ($500 - $750)	S		$625.00		$125.00
0712	New Technology - Level VII ($750 - $1000)	S		$875.00		$175.00
0713	New Technology - Level VIII ($1000 - $1250)	S		$1,125.00		$225.00
0714	New Technology - Level IX ($1250 - $1500)	S		$1,375.00		$275.00
0715	New Technology - Level X ($1500 - $1750)	S		$1,625.00		$325.00
0716	New Technology - Level XI ($1750 - $2000)	S		$1,875.00		$375.00

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0717	New Technology - Level XII ($2000 - $2500)	S		$2,250.00		$450.00
0718	New Technology - Level XIII ($2500 - $3000)	S		$2,750.00		$550.00
0719	New Technology-Level XIV ($3000- $3500)	S		$3,250.00		$650.00
0720	New Technology - Level XV ($3500 - $5000)	S		$4,250.00		$850.00
0721	New Technology - Level XVI ($5000 - $6000)	S		$5,500.00		$1,100.00
0726	Dexrazoxane hcl injection, 250 mg	K	2.40	$124.82		$24.96
0728	Filgrastim 300 mcg injection	K	2.24	$116.50		$23.30
0730	Pamidronate disodium , 30 mg	K	3.46	$179.95		$35.99
0732	Mesna injection 200 mg	K	0.55	$28.60		$5.72
0733	Non esrd epoetin alpha inj, 1000 u	K	0.19	$9.88		$1.98
0734	Darbepoetin alfa, 1 mcg	G		$4.74		$.68
0800	Leuprolide acetate, 3.75 mg	K	4.15	$215.84		$43.17
0802	Etoposide oral 50 mg	K	0.54	$28.08		$5.62
0807	Aldesleukin/single use vial	K	6.09	$316.73		$63.35
0810	Goserelin acetate implant 3.6 mg	K	5.94	$308.93		$61.79
0811	Carboplatin injection 50 mg	K	1.58	$82.17		$16.43
0813	Cisplatin 10 mg injection	K	0.47	$24.44		$4.89
0820	Daunorubicin 10 mg	K	2.27	$118.06		$23.61
0821	Daunorubicin citrate liposom 10 mg	K	3.17	$164.87		$32.97
0822	Diethylstilbestrol injection 250 mg	K	2.21	$114.94		$22.99
0823	Docetaxel, 20 mg	K	4.01	$208.56		$41.71
0827	Floxuridine injection 500 mg	K	2.42	$125.86		$25.17
0828	Gemcitabine HCL 200 mg	K	1.49	$77.49		$15.50
0830	Irinotecan injection 20 mg	K	1.86	$96.74		$19.35
0831	Ifosfomide injection 1 gm	K	2.06	$107.14		$21.43
0832	Idarubicin hcl injection 5 mg	K	4.57	$237.68		$47.54
0838	Interferon gamma 1-b inj, 3 million u	K	2.49	$129.50		$25.90
0840	Melphalan hydrochl 50 mg	K	4.09	$212.72		$42.54
0842	Fludarabine phosphate inj 50 mg	K	3.30	$171.63		$34.33
0843	Pegaspargase, singl dose vial	K	2.38	$123.78		$24.76
0844	Pentostatin injection, 10 mg	K	21.32	$1,108.83		$221.77
0849	Rituximab, 100 mg	K	5.71	$296.97		$59.39
0852	Topotecan, 4 mg	K	7.61	$395.79		$79.16
0855	Vinorelbine tartrate, 10 mg	K	1.10	$57.21		$11.44
0856	Porfimer sodium, 75 mg	K	26.35	$1,370.44		$274.09
0857	Bleomycin sulfate injection 15 u	K	3.10	$161.23		$32.25
0858	Cladribine, 1mg	K	0.84	$43.69		$8.74
0861	Leuprolide acetate injection 1 mg	K	0.84	$43.69		$8.74
0862	Mitomycin 5 mg inj	K	1.18	$61.37		$12.27
0863	Paclitaxel injection, 30 mg	K	2.50	$130.02		$26.00
0864	Mitoxantrone hcl, 5 mg	K	3.02	$157.07		$31.41
0884	Rho d immune globulin inj, 1 dose pkg	K	0.70	$36.41		$7.28
0888	Cyclosporine oral 100 mg	K	0.04	$2.08		$.42
0890	Lymphocyte immune globulin 250 mg	K	3.64	$189.31		$37.86
0891	Tacrolimus oral per 1 mg	K	0.02	$1.04		$.21
0900	Alglucerase injection, per 10 u	K	0.53	$27.56		$5.51
0901	Alpha 1 proteinase inhibitor, 10 mg	K	0.02	$1.04		$.21
0902	Botulinum toxin a, per unit	K	0.05	$2.60		$.52
0903	Cytomegalovirus imm IV/vial	K	0.34	$17.68		$3.54
0905	Immune globulin 500 mg	K	0.45	$23.40		$4.68
0909	Interferon beta-1a, 33 mcg	K	2.77	$144.06		$28.81
0916	Injection imiglucerase /unit	K	0.05	$2.60		$.52
0925	Factor viii per iu	K	0.01	$.52		$.10
0926	Factor VIII (porcine) per iu	K	0.02	$1.04		$.21
0927	Factor viii recombinant per iu	K	0.01	$.52		$.10
0928	Factor ix complex per iu	K	0.01	$.52		$.10
0929	Anti-inhibitor per iu	K	0.01	$.52		$.10
0930	Antithrombin iii injection per iu	K	0.01	$.52		$.10
0931	Factor IX non-recombinant, per iu	K	0.01	$.52		$.10
0932	Factor IX recombinant, per iu	K	0.03	$1.56		$.31
0949	Plasma, Pooled Multiple Donor, Solvent/Detergent T	K	1.26	$65.53		$13.11
0950	Blood (Whole) For Transfusion	K	1.25	$65.01		$13.00
0952	Cryoprecipitate	K	0.53	$27.56		$5.51
0954	RBC leukocytes reduced	K	1.59	$82.69		$16.54
0955	Plasma, Fresh Frozen	K	0.71	$36.93		$7.39
0956	Plasma Protein Fraction	K	1.94	$100.90		$20.18
0957	Platelet Concentrate	K	0.67	$34.85		$6.97
0958	Platelet Rich Plasma	K	1.12	$58.25		$11.65
0959	Red Blood Cells	K	1.12	$58.25		$11.65

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APC	Group title	Status indicator	Relative weight	Payment rate	National unadjusted copayment	Minimum unadjusted copayment
0960	Washed Red Blood Cells	K	1.42	$73.85		$14.77
0961	Infusion, Albumin (Human) 5%, 50 ml	K	0.47	$24.44		$4.89
0963	Albumin (human), 5%, 250 ml	K	2.37	$123.26		$24.65
0964	Albumin (human), 25%, 20 ml	K	0.50	$26.00		$5.20
0965	Albumin (human), 25%, 50ml	K	1.25	$65.01		$13.00
0966	Plasmaprotein fract,5%,250ml	K	9.71	$505.01		$101.00
0970	New Technology - Level I ($0 - $50)	T		$25.00		$5.00
0971	New Technology - Level II ($50 - $100)	T		$75.00		$15.00
0972	New Technology - Level III ($100 - $200)	T		$150.00		$30.00
0973	New Technology - Level IV ($200 - $300)	T		$250.00		$50.00
0974	New Technology - Level V ($300 - $500)	T		$400.00		$80.00
0975	New Technology - Level VI ($500 - $750)	T		$625.00		$125.00
0976	New Technology - Level VII ($750 - $1000)	T		$875.00		$175.00
0977	New Technology - Level VIII ($1000 - $1250)	T		$1,125.00		$225.00
0978	New Technology - Level IX ($1250 - $1500)	T		$1,375.00		$275.00
0979	New Technology - Level X ($1500 - $1750)	T		$1,625.00		$325.00
0980	New Technology - Level XI ($1750 - $2000)	T		$1,875.00		$375.00
0981	New Technology - Level XII ($2000 - $2500)	T		$2,250.00		$450.00
0982	New Technology - Level XIII ($2500 - $3000)	T		$2,750.00		$550.00
0983	New Technology-Level XIV ($3000- $3500)	T		$3,250.00		$650.00
0984	New Technology - Level XV ($3500 - $5000)	T		$4,250.00		$850.00
0985	New Technology - Level XVI ($5000 - $6000)	T		$5,500.00		$1,100.00
1009	Cryoprecip reduced plasma	K	0.66	$34.33		$6.87
1010	Blood, L/R, CMV-neg	K	1.67	$86.86		$17.37
1011	Platelets, HLA-m, L/R, unit	K	6.03	$313.61		$62.72
1013	Platelet concentrate, L/R, unit	K	0.91	$47.33		$9.47
1016	Blood, L/R, froz/deglycerol/washed	K	1.09	$56.69		$11.34
1017	Platelets, aph/pher, L/R, CMV-neg, unit	K	4.78	$248.60		$49.72
1018	Blood, L/R, irradiated	K	1.90	$98.82		$19.76
1019	Platelets, aph/pher, L/R, irradiated, unit	K	6.93	$360.42		$72.08
1058	TC 99M oxidronate, per vial	G		$36.74		$5.26
1059	Cultured chondrocytes implnt	K	43.64	$2,269.67		$453.93
1064	I-131 cap, each add mCi	G		$5.86		$.75
1065	I-131 sol, each add mCi	G		$15.81		$2.03
1084	Denileukin diftitox, 300 MCG	K	13.94	$725.01		$145.00
1086	Temozolomide,oral 5 mg	K	0.05	$2.60		$.52
1091	IN 111 Oxyquinoline, per .5 mCi	K	4.36	$226.76		$45.35
1092	IN 111 Pentetate, per 0.5 mCi	K	4.78	$248.60		$49.72
1095	Technetium TC 99M Depreotide	K	0.25	$13.00		$2.60
1096	TC 99M Exametazime, per dose	K	3.35	$174.23		$34.85
1122	TC 99M arcitumomab, per vial	K	8.33	$433.23		$86.65
1167	Epirubicin hcl, 2 mg	K	0.32	$16.64		$3.33
1178	Busulfan IV, 6 mg	K	0.53	$27.56		$5.51
1203	Verteporfin for injection	K	16.26	$845.67		$169.13
1207	Octreotide acetate depot 1mg	K	1.22	$63.45		$12.69
1305	Apligraf	K	12.47	$648.55		$129.71
1348	I-131 sol, per 1-6 mCi	K	0.19	$9.88		$1.98
1409	Factor viia recombinant, per 1.2 mg	K	13.53	$703.68		$140.74
1604	IN 111 capromab pendetide, per dose	K	5.91	$307.37		$61.47
1605	Abciximab injection, 10 mg	K	5.82	$302.69		$60.54
1609	Rho(D) immune globulin h, sd, 100 iu	K	0.22	$11.44		$2.29
1611	Hylan G-F 20 injection, 16 mg	K	2.43	$126.38		$25.28
1612	Daclizumab, parenteral, 25 mg	K	3.77	$196.07		$39.21
1613	Trastuzumab, 10 mg	K	0.66	$34.33		$6.87
1614	Valrubicin, 200 mg	K	2.04	$106.10		$21.22
1615	Basiliximab, 20 mg	K	9.64	$501.37		$100.27
1618	Vonwillebrandfactrcmplx, per iu	K	0.01	$.52		$.10
1620	Technetium tc99m bicisate	K	2.80	$145.63		$29.13
1625	Indium 111-in pentetreotide	K	4.57	$237.68		$47.54
1628	Chromic phosphate p32	K	1.35	$70.21		$14.04
1716	Brachytx seed, Gold 198	K	0.35	$18.20		$3.64
1718	Brachytx seed, Iodine 125	K	0.64	$33.29		$6.66
1719	Brachytxseed, Non-HDR Ir-192	K	0.57	$29.65		$5.93
1720	Brachytx seed, Palladium 103	K	0.89	$46.29		$9.26
1765	Adhesion barrier	H				
1775	FDG, per dose (4-40 mCi/ml)	G		$475.00		$68.00
1783	Ocular implant, aqueous drainage assist device	H				
1888	Catheter, ablation, non-cardiac, endovascular (implantable.	H				

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APC	Group title	Status indicator	Relative weight	Payment rate	National unadjusted copayment	Minimum unadjusted copayment
1900	Lead, left ventricular coronary venous system	H				
2618	Probe, cryoablation	H				
7000	Amifostine, 500 mg	K	4.46	$231.96		$46.39
7001	Amphotericin B lipid complex, 50 mg	K	2.05	$106.62		$21.32
7011	Oprelvekin injection, 5 mg	K	2.52	$131.06		$26.21
7024	Corticorelin ovine triflutat	K	4.62	$240.28		$48.06
7025	Digoxin immune FAB (ovine)	K	2.77	$144.06		$28.81
7030	Hemin, per 1 mg	K	0.01	$.52		$.10
7031	Octreotide acetate injection	K	0.90	$46.81		$9.36
7034	Somatropin injection	K	0.78	$40.57		$8.11
7035	Teniposide, 50 mg	K	1.24	$64.49		$12.90
7038	Muromonab-CD3, 5 mg	K	4.43	$230.40		$46.08
7041	Tirofiban hydrochloride 12.5 mg	K	4.82	$250.68		$50.14
7042	Capecitabine, oral, 150 mg	K	0.03	$1.56		$.31
7043	Infliximab injection 10 mg	K	0.74	$38.49		$7.70
7045	Trimetrexate glucoronate	K	1.23	$63.97		$12.79
7046	Doxorubicin hcl liposome inj 10 mg	K	4.54	$236.12		$47.22
7049	Filgrastim 480 mcg injection	K	3.37	$175.27		$35.05
7051	Leuprolide acetate implant, 65 mg	G		$5,399.80		$773.02
9002	Tenecteplase, 50mg/vial	K	25.46	$1,324.15		$264.83
9003	Palivizumab, per 50mg	K	9.34	$485.76		$97.15
9004	Gemtuzumab ozogamicin inj,5mg	K	1.05	$54.61		$10.92
9005	Reteplase injection	K	10.84	$563.78		$112.76
9009	Baclofen refill kit - per 2000 mcg	K	0.79	$41.09		$8.22
9010	Baclofen refill kit - per 4000 mcg	K	0.95	$49.41		$9.88
9012	Arsenic Trioxide	G		$23.75		$3.40
9015	Mycophenolate mofetil oral 250 mg	G		$2.40		$.34
9016	Echocardiography contrast	G		$118.75		$17.00
9018	Botulinum tox B, per 100 u	G		$8.79		$1.26
9019	Caspofungin acetate, 5 mg	G		$34.20		$4.90
9020	Sirolimus tablet, 1 mg	K	0.05	$2.60		$.52
9104	Anti-thymocycte globulin rabbit	K	1.97	$102.46		$20.49
9105	Hep B imm glob, per 1 ml	K	1.58	$82.17		$16.43
9106	Sirolimus, 1 mg	K	0.05	$2.60		$.52
9108	Thyrotropin alfa, per 1.1 mg	K	8.79	$457.16		$91.43
9109	Tirofliban hcl, per 6.25 mg	K	2.32	$120.66		$24.13
9110	Alemtuzumab, per ml	G		$486.88		$69.70
9111	Inj, bivalirudin, per 250mg vial	G		$397.81		$56.95
9112	Perflutren lipid micro, per 2ml	G		$148.20		$21.22
9113	Inj pantoprazole sodium, vial	G		$22.80		$3.26
9114	Nesiritide, per 1.5 mg vial	G		$433.20		$62.02
9115	Inj, zoledronic acid, per 2 mg	G		$406.78		$58.23
9200	Orcel, per 36 cm2	G		$1,135.25		$162.52
9201	Dermagraft, per 37.5 sq cm	G		$577.60		$82.69
9217	Leuprolide acetate suspnsion, 7.5 mg	K	6.30	$327.66		$65.53
9500	Platelets, irradiated	K	0.92	$47.85		$9.57
9501	Platelets, pheresis	K	5.10	$265.25		$53.05
9502	Platelet pheresis irradiated	K	1.99	$103.50		$20.70
9503	Fresh frozen plasma, ea unit	K	0.77	$40.05		$8.01
9504	RBC deglycerolized	K	1.91	$99.34		$19.87
9505	RBC irradiated	K	1.82	$94.66		$18.93
9506	Granulocytes, pheresis	K	0.45	$23.40		$4.68

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CPT/ HCPCS	Status indicator	Description	APC	Relative weight	Payment rate	National unadjusted copayment	Minimum unadjusted copayment
0002T	C	Endovas repr abdo ao aneurys					
0003T	S	Cervicography	0706		$25.00		$5.00
0005T	C	Perc cath stent/brain cv art					
0006T	C	Perc cath stent/brain cv art					

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0007T	C	Perc cath stent/brain cv art					
0008T	E	Upper gi endoscopy w/suture					
0009T	T	Endometrial cryoablation	0980		$1,875.00		$375.00
00100	N	Anesth, salivary gland					
00102	N	Anesth, repair of cleft lip					
00103	N	Anesth, blepharoplasty					
00104	N	Anesth, electroshock					
0010T	A	Tb test, gamma interferon					
00120	N	Anesth, ear surgery					
00124	N	Anesth, ear exam					
00126	N	Anesth, tympanotomy					
0012T	T	Osteochondral knee autograft	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
0013T	T	Osteochondral knee allograft	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
00140	N	Anesth, procedures on eye					
00142	N	Anesth, lens surgery					
00144	N	Anesth, corneal transplant					
00145	N	Anesth, vitreoretinal surg					
00147	N	Anesth, iridectomy					
00148	N	Anesth, eye exam					
0014T	T	Meniscal transplant, knee	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
00160	N	Anesth, nose/sinus surgery					
00162	N	Anesth, nose/sinus surgery					
00164	N	Anesth, biopsy of nose					
0016T	E	Thermotx choroid vasc lesion					
00170	N	Anesth, procedure on mouth					
00172	N	Anesth, cleft palate repair					
00174	C	Anesth, pharyngeal surgery					
00176	C	Anesth, pharyngeal surgery					
0017T	E	Photocoagulat macular drusen					
0018T	S	Transcranial magnetic stimul	0215	0.60	$31.21		$6.24
00190	N	Anesth, face/skull bone surg					
00192	C	Anesth, facial bone surgery					
0019T	A	Extracorp shock wave tx, ms					
0020T	A	Extracorp shock wave tx, ft					
00210	N	Anesth, open head surgery					
00212	N	Anesth, skull drainage					
00214	C	Anesth, skull drainage					
00215	C	Anesth, skull repair/fract					
00216	N	Anesth, head vessel surgery					
00218	N	Anesth, special head surgery					
0021T	C	Fetal oximetry, trnsvag/cerv					
00220	N	Anesth, intrcrn nerve					
00222	N	Anesth, head nerve surgery					
0023T	A	Phenotype drug test, hiv 1					
0024T	C	Transcath cardiac reduction					
0025T	S	Ultrasonic pachymetry	0230	0.78	$40.57	$15.82	$8.11
0026T	A	Measure remnant lipoproteins					
00300	N	Anesth, head/neck/ptrunk					
00320	N	Anesth, neck organ surgery					
00322	N	Anesth, biopsy of thyroid					
00350	N	Anesth, neck vessel surgery					
00352	N	Anesth, neck vessel surgery					
00400	N	Anesth, skin, ext/per/atrunk					
00402	N	Anesth, surgery of breast					
00404	C	Anesth, surgery of breast					
00406	C	Anesth, surgery of breast					
00410	N	Anesth, correct heart rhythm					
00450	N	Anesth, surgery of shoulder					
00452	C	Anesth, surgery of shoulder					
00454	N	Anesth, collar bone biopsy					
00470	N	Anesth, removal of rib					
00472	N	Anesth, chest wall repair					
00474	C	Anesth, surgery of rib(s)					
00500	N	Anesth, esophageal surgery					
00520	N	Anesth, chest procedure					
00522	N	Anesth, chest lining biopsy					

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00524	C	Anesth, chest drainage					
00528	N	Anesth, chest partition view					
00530	N	Anesth, pacemaker insertion					
00532	N	Anesth, vascular access					
00534	N	Anesth, cardioverter/defib					
00537	N	Anesth, cardiac electrophys					
00540	C	Anesth, chest surgery					
00542	C	Anesth, release of lung					
00544	C	Anesth, chest lining removal					
00546	C	Anesth, lung,chest wall surg					
00548	N	Anesth, trachea,bronchi surg					
00550	N	Anesth, sternal debridement					
00560	C	Anesth, open heart surgery					
00562	C	Anesth, open heart surgery					
00563	N	Anesth, heart proc w/pump					
00566	N	Anesth, cabg w/o pump					
00580	C	Anesth heart/lung transplant					
00600	N	Anesth, spine, cord surgery					
00604	C	Anesth, sitting procedure					
00620	N	Anesth, spine, cord surgery					
00622	C	Anesth, removal of nerves					
00630	N	Anesth, spine, cord surgery					
00632	C	Anesth, removal of nerves					
00634	C	Anesth for chemonucleolysis					
00635	N	Anesth, lumbar puncture					
00670	C	Anesth, spine, cord surgery					
00700	N	Anesth, abdominal wall surg					
00702	N	Anesth, for liver biopsy					
00730	N	Anesth, abdominal wall surg					
00740	N	Anesth, upper gi visualize					
00750	N	Anesth, repair of hernia					
00752	N	Anesth, repair of hernia					
00754	N	Anesth, repair of hernia					
00756	N	Anesth, repair of hernia					
00770	N	Anesth, blood vessel repair					
00790	N	Anesth, surg upper abdomen					
00792	C	Anesth, hemorr/excise liver					
00794	C	Anesth, pancreas removal					
00796	C	Anesth, for liver transplant					
00797	N	Anesth, surgery for obesity					
00800	N	Anesth, abdominal wall surg					
00802	C	Anesth, fat layer removal					
00810	N	Anesth, low intestine scope					
00820	N	Anesth, abdominal wall surg					
00830	N	Anesth, repair of hernia					
00832	N	Anesth, repair of hernia					
00840	N	Anesth, surg lower abdomen					
00842	N	Anesth, amniocentesis					
00844	C	Anesth, pelvis surgery					
00846	C	Anesth, hysterectomy					
00848	C	Anesth, pelvic organ surg					
00851	N	Anesth, tubal ligation					
00860	N	Anesth, surgery of abdomen					
00862	N	Anesth, kidney/ureter surg					
00864	C	Anesth, removal of bladder					
00865	C	Anesth, removal of prostate					
00866	C	Anesth, removal of adrenal					
00868	C	Anesth, kidney transplant					
00869	N	Anesth, vasectomy					
00870	N	Anesth, bladder stone surg					
00872	N	Anesth kidney stone destruct					
00873	N	Anesth kidney stone destruct					
00880	N	Anesth, abdomen vessel surg					
00882	C	Anesth, major vein ligation					
00902	N	Anesth, anorectal surgery					
00904	C	Anesth, perineal surgery					

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00906	N	Anesth, removal of vulva					
00908	C	Anesth, removal of prostate					
00910	N	Anesth, bladder surgery					
00912	N	Anesth, bladder tumor surg					
00914	N	Anesth, removal of prostate					
00916	N	Anesth, bleeding control					
00918	N	Anesth, stone removal					
00920	N	Anesth, genitalia surgery					
00922	N	Anesth, sperm duct surgery					
00924	N	Anesth, testis exploration					
00926	N	Anesth, removal of testis					
00928	C	Anesth, removal of testis					
00930	N	Anesth, testis suspension					
00932	C	Anesth, amputation of penis					
00934	C	Anesth, penis, nodes removal					
00936	C	Anesth, penis, nodes removal					
00938	N	Anesth, insert penis device					
00940	N	Anesth, vaginal procedures					
00942	N	Anesth, surg on vag/urethal					
00944	C	Anesth, vaginal hysterectomy					
00948	N	Anesth, repair of cervix					
00950	N	Anesth, vaginal endoscopy					
00952	N	Anesth, hysteroscope/graph					
01112	N	Anesth, bone aspirate/bx					
01120	N	Anesth, pelvis surgery					
01130	N	Anesth, body cast procedure					
01140	C	Anesth, amputation at pelvis					
01150	C	Anesth, pelvic tumor surgery					
01160	N	Anesth, pelvis procedure					
01170	N	Anesth, pelvis surgery					
01180	N	Anesth, pelvis nerve removal					
01190	C	Anesth, pelvis nerve removal					
01200	N	Anesth, hip joint procedure					
01202	N	Anesth, arthroscopy of hip					
01210	N	Anesth, hip joint surgery					
01212	C	Anesth, hip disarticulation					
01214	C	Anesth, hip arthroplasty					
01215	N	Anesth, revise hip repair					
01220	N	Anesth, procedure on femur					
01230	N	Anesth, surgery of femur					
01232	C	Anesth, amputation of femur					
01234	C	Anesth, radical femur surg					
01250	N	Anesth, upper leg surgery					
01260	N	Anesth, upper leg veins surg					
01270	N	Anesth, thigh arteries surg					
01272	C	Anesth, femoral artery surg					
01274	C	Anesth, femoral embolectomy					
01320	N	Anesth, knee area surgery					
01340	N	Anesth, knee area procedure					
01360	N	Anesth, knee area surgery					
01380	N	Anesth, knee joint procedure					
01382	N	Anesth, knee arthroscopy					
01390	N	Anesth, knee area procedure					
01392	N	Anesth, knee area surgery					
01400	N	Anesth, knee joint surgery					
01402	C	Anesth, knee arthroplasty					
01404	C	Anesth, amputation at knee					
01420	N	Anesth, knee joint casting					
01430	N	Anesth, knee veins surgery					
01432	N	Anesth, knee vessel surg					
01440	N	Anesth, knee arteries surg					
01442	C	Anesth, knee artery surg					
01444	C	Anesth, knee artery repair					
01462	N	Anesth, lower leg procedure					
01464	N	Anesth, ankle arthroscopy					
01470	N	Anesth, lower leg surgery					

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01472	N	Anesth, achilles tendon surg					
01474	N	Anesth, lower leg surgery					
01480	N	Anesth, lower leg bone surg					
01482	N	Anesth, radical leg surgery					
01484	N	Anesth, lower leg revision					
01486	C	Anesth, ankle replacement					
01490	N	Anesth, lower leg casting					
01500	N	Anesth, leg arteries surg					
01502	C	Anesth, lwr leg embolectomy					
01520	N	Anesth, lower leg vein surg					
01522	N	Anesth, lower leg vein surg					
01610	N	Anesth, surgery of shoulder					
01620	N	Anesth, shoulder procedure					
01622	N	Anesth, shoulder arthroscopy					
01630	N	Anesth, surgery of shoulder					
01632	C	Anesth, surgery of shoulder					
01634	C	Anesth, shoulder joint amput					
01636	C	Anesth, forequarter amput					
01638	C	Anesth, shoulder replacement					
01650	N	Anesth, shoulder artery surg					
01652	C	Anesth, shoulder vessel surg					
01654	C	Anesth, shoulder vessel surg					
01656	C	Anesth, arm-leg vessel surg					
01670	N	Anesth, shoulder vein surg					
01680	N	Anesth, shoulder casting					
01682	N	Anesth, airplane cast					
01710	N	Anesth, elbow area surgery					
01712	N	Anesth, uppr arm tendon surg					
01714	N	Anesth, uppr arm tendon surg					
01716	N	Anesth, biceps tendon repair					
01730	N	Anesth, uppr arm procedure					
01732	N	Anesth, elbow arthroscopy					
01740	N	Anesth, upper arm surgery					
01742	N	Anesth, humerus surgery					
01744	N	Anesth, humerus repair					
01756	C	Anesth, radical humerus surg					
01758	N	Anesth, humeral lesion surg					
01760	N	Anesth, elbow replacement					
01770	N	Anesth, uppr arm artery surg					
01772	N	Anesth, uppr arm embolectomy					
01780	N	Anesth, upper arm vein surg					
01782	N	Anesth, uppr arm vein repair					
01810	N	Anesth, lower arm surgery					
01820	N	Anesth, lower arm procedure					
01830	N	Anesth, lower arm surgery					
01832	N	Anesth, wrist replacement					
01840	N	Anesth, lwr arm artery surg					
01842	N	Anesth, lwr arm embolectomy					
01844	N	Anesth, vascular shunt surg					
01850	N	Anesth, lower arm vein surg					
01852	N	Anesth, lwr arm vein repair					
01860	N	Anesth, lower arm casting					
01905	N	Anes, spine inject, x-ray/re					
01916	N	Anesth, dx arteriography					
01920	N	Anesth, catheterize heart					
01922	N	Anesth, cat or MRI scan					
01924	N	Anes, ther interven rad, art					
01925	N	Anes, ther interven rad, car					
01926	N	Anes, tx interv rad hrt/cran					
01930	N	Anes, ther interven rad, vei					
01931	N	Anes, ther interven rad, tip					
01932	N	Anes, tx interv rad, th vein					
01933	N	Anes, tx interv rad, cran v					
01951	N	Anesth, burn, less 4 percent					
01952	N	Anesth, burn, 4-9 percent					
01953	N	Anesth, burn, each 9 percent					

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01960	N	Anesth, vaginal delivery					
01961	N	Anesth, cs delivery					
01962	N	Anesth, emer hysterectomy					
01963	N	Anesth, cs hysterectomy					
01964	N	Anesth, abortion procedures					
01967	N	Anesth/analg, vag delivery					
01968	N	Anes/analg cs deliver add-on					
01969	N	Anesth/analg cs hyst add-on					
01990	C	Support for organ donor					
01995	N	Regional anesthesia limb					
01996	N	Manage daily drug therapy					
01999	N	Unlisted anesth procedure					
10021	T	Fna w/o image	0002	0.63	$32.77	$8.52	$6.55
10022	T	Fna w/image	0002	0.63	$32.77	$8.52	$6.55
10040	T	Acne surgery	0010	0.70	$36.41	$10.56	$7.28
10060	T	Drainage of skin abscess	0006	1.89	$98.30	$25.56	$19.66
10061	T	Drainage of skin abscess	0006	1.89	$98.30	$25.56	$19.66
10080	T	Drainage of pilonidal cyst	0006	1.89	$98.30	$25.56	$19.66
10081	T	Drainage of pilonidal cyst	0007	9.44	$490.96	$103.10	$98.19
10120	T	Remove foreign body	0006	1.89	$98.30	$25.56	$19.66
10121	T	Remove foreign body	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
10140	T	Drainage of hematoma/fluid	0007	9.44	$490.96	$103.10	$98.19
10160	T	Puncture drainage of lesion	0018	0.92	$47.85	$15.79	$9.57
10180	T	Complex drainage, wound	0007	9.44	$490.96	$103.10	$98.19
11000	T	Debride infected skin	0015	1.43	$74.37	$18.59	$14.87
11001	T	Debride infected skin add-on	0013	1.10	$57.21	$14.30	$11.44
11010	T	Debride skin, fx	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
11011	T	Debride skin/muscle, fx	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
11012	T	Debride skin/muscle/bone, fx	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
11040	T	Debride skin, partial	0015	1.43	$74.37	$18.59	$14.87
11041	T	Debride skin, full	0015	1.43	$74.37	$18.59	$14.87
11042	T	Debride skin/tissue	0016	2.57	$133.66	$56.14	$26.73
11043	T	Debride tissue/muscle	0016	2.57	$133.66	$56.14	$26.73
11044	T	Debride tissue/muscle/bone	0682	6.74	$350.54	$161.25	$70.11
11055	T	Trim skin lesion	0012	0.76	$39.53	$10.67	$7.91
11056	T	Trim skin lesions, 2 to 4	0012	0.76	$39.53	$10.67	$7.91
11057	T	Trim skin lesions, over 4	0012	0.76	$39.53	$10.67	$7.91
11100	T	Biopsy of skin lesion	0018	0.92	$47.85	$15.79	$9.57
11101	T	Biopsy, skin add-on	0018	0.92	$47.85	$15.79	$9.57
11200	T	Removal of skin tags	0013	1.10	$57.21	$14.30	$11.44
11201	T	Remove skin tags add-on	0015	1.43	$74.37	$18.59	$14.87
11300	T	Shave skin lesion	0012	0.76	$39.53	$10.67	$7.91
11301	T	Shave skin lesion	0012	0.76	$39.53	$10.67	$7.91
11302	T	Shave skin lesion	0013	1.10	$57.21	$14.30	$11.44
11303	T	Shave skin lesion	0015	1.43	$74.37	$18.59	$14.87
11305	T	Shave skin lesion	0013	1.10	$57.21	$14.30	$11.44
11306	T	Shave skin lesion	0013	1.10	$57.21	$14.30	$11.44
11307	T	Shave skin lesion	0013	1.10	$57.21	$14.30	$11.44
11308	T	Shave skin lesion	0013	1.10	$57.21	$14.30	$11.44
11310	T	Shave skin lesion	0013	1.10	$57.21	$14.30	$11.44
11311	T	Shave skin lesion	0013	1.10	$57.21	$14.30	$11.44
11312	T	Shave skin lesion	0013	1.10	$57.21	$14.30	$11.44
11313	T	Shave skin lesion	0016	2.57	$133.66	$56.14	$26.73
11400	T	Removal of skin lesion	0019	3.94	$204.92	$75.82	$40.98
11401	T	Removal of skin lesion	0019	3.94	$204.92	$75.82	$40.98
11402	T	Removal of skin lesion	0019	3.94	$204.92	$75.82	$40.98
11403	T	Removal of skin lesion	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
11404	T	Removal of skin lesion	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
11406	T	Removal of skin lesion	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
11420	T	Removal of skin lesion	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
11421	T	Removal of skin lesion	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
11422	T	Removal of skin lesion	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
11423	T	Removal of skin lesion	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
11424	T	Removal of skin lesion	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
11426	T	Removal of skin lesion	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
11440	T	Removal of skin lesion	0019	3.94	$204.92	$75.82	$40.98

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11441	T	Removal of skin lesion	0019	3.94	$204.92	$75.82	$40.98
11442	T	Removal of skin lesion	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
11443	T	Removal of skin lesion	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
11444	T	Removal of skin lesion	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
11446	T	Removal of skin lesion	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
11450	T	Removal, sweat gland lesion	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
11451	T	Removal, sweat gland lesion	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
11462	T	Removal, sweat gland lesion	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
11463	T	Removal, sweat gland lesion	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
11470	T	Removal, sweat gland lesion	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
11471	T	Removal, sweat gland lesion	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
11600	T	Removal of skin lesion	0019	3.94	$204.92	$75.82	$40.98
11601	T	Removal of skin lesion	0019	3.94	$204.92	$75.82	$40.98
11602	T	Removal of skin lesion	0019	3.94	$204.92	$75.82	$40.98
11603	T	Removal of skin lesion	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
11604	T	Removal of skin lesion	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
11606	T	Removal of skin lesion	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
11620	T	Removal of skin lesion	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
11621	T	Removal of skin lesion	0019	3.94	$204.92	$75.82	$40.98
11622	T	Removal of skin lesion	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
11623	T	Removal of skin lesion	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
11624	T	Removal of skin lesion	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
11626	T	Removal of skin lesion	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
11640	T	Removal of skin lesion	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
11641	T	Removal of skin lesion	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
11642	T	Removal of skin lesion	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
11643	T	Removal of skin lesion	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
11644	T	Removal of skin lesion	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
11646	T	Removal of skin lesion	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
11719	T	Trim nail(s)	0009	0.68	$35.37	$8.34	$7.07
11720	T	Debride nail, 1-5	0009	0.68	$35.37	$8.34	$7.07
11721	T	Debride nail, 6 or more	0009	0.68	$35.37	$8.34	$7.07
11730	T	Removal of nail plate	0013	1.10	$57.21	$14.30	$11.44
11732	T	Remove nail plate, add-on	0012	0.76	$39.53	$10.67	$7.91
11740	T	Drain blood from under nail	0009	0.68	$35.37	$8.34	$7.07
11750	T	Removal of nail bed	0019	3.94	$204.92	$75.82	$40.98
11752	T	Remove nail bed/finger tip	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
11755	T	Biopsy, nail unit	0019	3.94	$204.92	$75.82	$40.98
11760	T	Repair of nail bed	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
11762	T	Reconstruction of nail bed	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
11765	T	Excision of nail fold, toe	0015	1.43	$74.37	$18.59	$14.87
11770	T	Removal of pilonidal lesion	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
11771	T	Removal of pilonidal lesion	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
11772	T	Removal of pilonidal lesion	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
11900	T	Injection into skin lesions	0012	0.76	$39.53	$10.67	$7.91
11901	T	Added skin lesions injection	0012	0.76	$39.53	$10.67	$7.91
11920	T	Correct skin color defects	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
11921	T	Correct skin color defects	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
11922	T	Correct skin color defects	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
11950	T	Therapy for contour defects	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
11951	T	Therapy for contour defects	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
11952	T	Therapy for contour defects	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
11954	T	Therapy for contour defects	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
11960	T	Insert tissue expander(s)	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
11970	T	Replace tissue expander	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
11971	T	Remove tissue expander(s)	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
11975	E	Insert contraceptive cap					
11976	T	Removal of contraceptive cap	0019	3.94	$204.92	$75.82	$40.98
11977	E	Removal/reinsert contra cap					
11980	X	Implant hormone pellet(s)	0340	0.66	$34.33		$6.87
11981	X	Insert drug implant device	0340	0.66	$34.33		$6.87
11982	X	Remove drug implant device	0340	0.66	$34.33		$6.87
11983	X	Remove/insert drug implant	0340	0.66	$34.33		$6.87
12001	T	Repair superficial wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12002	T	Repair superficial wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12004	T	Repair superficial wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80

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12005	T	Repair superficial wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12006	T	Repair superficial wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12007	T	Repair superficial wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12011	T	Repair superficial wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12013	T	Repair superficial wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12014	T	Repair superficial wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12015	T	Repair superficial wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12016	T	Repair superficial wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12017	T	Repair superficial wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12018	T	Repair superficial wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12020	T	Closure of split wound	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12021	T	Closure of split wound	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12031	T	Layer closure of wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12032	T	Layer closure of wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12034	T	Layer closure of wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12035	T	Layer closure of wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12036	T	Layer closure of wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12037	T	Layer closure of wound(s)	0025	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27
12041	T	Layer closure of wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12042	T	Layer closure of wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12044	T	Layer closure of wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12045	T	Layer closure of wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12046	T	Layer closure of wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12047	T	Layer closure of wound(s)	0025	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27
12051	T	Layer closure of wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12052	T	Layer closure of wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12053	T	Layer closure of wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12054	T	Layer closure of wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12055	T	Layer closure of wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12056	T	Layer closure of wound(s)	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
12057	T	Layer closure of wound(s)	0025	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27
13100	T	Repair of wound or lesion	0025	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27
13101	T	Repair of wound or lesion	0025	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27
13102	T	Repair wound/lesion add-on	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
13120	T	Repair of wound or lesion	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
13121	T	Repair of wound or lesion	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
13122	T	Repair wound/lesion add-on	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
13131	T	Repair of wound or lesion	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
13132	T	Repair of wound or lesion	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
13133	T	Repair wound/lesion add-on	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
13150	T	Repair of wound or lesion	0025	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27
13151	T	Repair of wound or lesion	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
13152	T	Repair of wound or lesion	0025	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27
13153	T	Repair wound/lesion add-on	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
13160	T	Late closure of wound	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
14000	T	Skin tissue rearrangement	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
14001	T	Skin tissue rearrangement	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
14020	T	Skin tissue rearrangement	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
14021	T	Skin tissue rearrangement	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
14040	T	Skin tissue rearrangement	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
14041	T	Skin tissue rearrangement	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
14060	T	Skin tissue rearrangement	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
14061	T	Skin tissue rearrangement	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
14300	T	Skin tissue rearrangement	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
14350	T	Skin tissue rearrangement	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15000	T	Skin graft	0025	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27
15001	T	Skin graft add-on	0025	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27
15050	T	Skin pinch graft	0025	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27
15100	T	Skin split graft	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15101	T	Skin split graft add-on	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15120	T	Skin split graft	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15121	T	Skin split graft add-on	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15200	T	Skin full graft	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15201	T	Skin full graft add-on	0025	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27
15220	T	Skin full graft	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15221	T	Skin full graft add-on	0025	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27

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15240	T	Skin full graft	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15241	T	Skin full graft add-on	0025	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27
15260	T	Skin full graft	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15261	T	Skin full graft add-on	0025	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27
15342	T	Cultured skin graft, 25 cm	0025	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27
15343	T	Culture skn graft addl 25 cm	0024	2.00	$104.02	$37.45	$20.80
15350	T	Skin homograft	0686	11.30	$587.70	$270.34	$117.54
15351	T	Skin homograft add-on	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15400	T	Skin heterograft	0025	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27
15401	T	Skin heterograft add-on	0025	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27
15570	T	Form skin pedicle flap	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15572	T	Form skin pedicle flap	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15574	T	Form skin pedicle flap	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15576	T	Form skin pedicle flap	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15600	T	Skin graft	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15610	T	Skin graft	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15620	T	Skin graft	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15630	T	Skin graft	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15650	T	Transfer skin pedicle flap	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15732	T	Muscle-skin graft, head/neck	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15734	T	Muscle-skin graft, trunk	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15736	T	Muscle-skin graft, arm	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15738	T	Muscle-skin graft, leg	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15740	T	Island pedicle flap graft	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15750	T	Neurovascular pedicle graft	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15756	C	Free muscle flap, microvasc	....	....	....	....	....
15757	C	Free skin flap, microvasc	....	....	....	....	....
15758	C	Free fascial flap, microvasc	....	....	....	....	....
15760	T	Composite skin graft	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15770	T	Derma-fat-fascia graft	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15775	T	Hair transplant punch grafts	0025	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27
15776	T	Hair transplant punch grafts	0025	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27
15780	T	Abrasion treatment of skin	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
15781	T	Abrasion treatment of skin	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
15782	T	Abrasion treatment of skin	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
15783	T	Abrasion treatment of skin	0016	2.57	$133.66	$56.14	$26.73
15786	T	Abrasion, lesion, single	0013	1.10	$57.21	$14.30	$11.44
15787	T	Abrasion, lesions, add-on	0013	1.10	$57.21	$14.30	$11.44
15788	T	Chemical peel, face, epiderm	0012	0.76	$39.53	$10.67	$7.91
15789	T	Chemical peel, face, dermal	0015	1.43	$74.37	$18.59	$14.87
15792	T	Chemical peel, nonfacial	0012	0.76	$39.53	$10.67	$7.91
15793	T	Chemical peel, nonfacial	0013	1.10	$57.21	$14.30	$11.44
15810	T	Salabrasion	0016	2.57	$133.66	$56.14	$26.73
15811	T	Salabrasion	0016	2.57	$133.66	$56.14	$26.73
15819	T	Plastic surgery, neck	0025	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27
15820	T	Revision of lower eyelid	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15821	T	Revision of lower eyelid	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15822	T	Revision of upper eyelid	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15823	T	Revision of upper eyelid	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15824	T	Removal of forehead wrinkles	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15825	T	Removal of neck wrinkles	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15826	T	Removal of brow wrinkles	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15828	T	Removal of face wrinkles	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15829	T	Removal of skin wrinkles	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15831	T	Excise excessive skin tissue	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
15832	T	Excise excessive skin tissue	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
15833	T	Excise excessive skin tissue	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
15834	T	Excise excessive skin tissue	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
15835	T	Excise excessive skin tissue	0025	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27
15836	T	Excise excessive skin tissue	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
15837	T	Excise excessive skin tissue	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
15838	T	Excise excessive skin tissue	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
15839	T	Excise excessive skin tissue	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
15840	T	Graft for face nerve palsy	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15841	T	Graft for face nerve palsy	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15842	T	Flap for face nerve palsy	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62

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15845	T	Skin and muscle repair, face	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15850	T	Removal of sutures	0016	2.57	$133.66	$56.14	$26.73
15851	T	Removal of sutures	0013	1.10	$57.21	$14.30	$11.44
15852	X	Dressing change,not for burn	0340	0.66	$34.33		$6.87
15860	S	Test for blood flow in graft	0706		$25.00		$5.00
15876	T	Suction assisted lipectomy	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15877	T	Suction assisted lipectomy	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15878	T	Suction assisted lipectomy	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15879	T	Suction assisted lipectomy	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15920	T	Removal of tail bone ulcer	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
15922	T	Removal of tail bone ulcer	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15931	T	Remove sacrum pressure sore	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
15933	T	Remove sacrum pressure sore	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
15934	T	Remove sacrum pressure sore	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15935	T	Remove sacrum pressure sore	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15936	T	Remove sacrum pressure sore	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15937	T	Remove sacrum pressure sore	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15940	T	Remove hip pressure sore	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
15941	T	Remove hip pressure sore	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
15944	T	Remove hip pressure sore	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15945	T	Remove hip pressure sore	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15946	T	Remove hip pressure sore	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15950	T	Remove thigh pressure sore	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
15951	T	Remove thigh pressure sore	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
15952	T	Remove thigh pressure sore	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15953	T	Remove thigh pressure sore	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15956	T	Remove thigh pressure sore	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15958	T	Remove thigh pressure sore	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
15999	T	Removal of pressure sore	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
16000	T	Initial treatment of burn(s)	0013	1.10	$57.21	$14.30	$11.44
16010	T	Treatment of burn(s)	0016	2.57	$133.66	$56.14	$26.73
16015	T	Treatment of burn(s)	0017	16.46	$856.07	$227.84	$171.21
16020	T	Treatment of burn(s)	0013	1.10	$57.21	$14.30	$11.44
16025	T	Treatment of burn(s)	0013	1.10	$57.21	$14.30	$11.44
16030	T	Treatment of burn(s)	0015	1.43	$74.37	$18.59	$14.87
16035	C	Incision of burn scab, initi					
16036	C	Incise burn scab, addl incis					
17000	T	Detroy benign/premal lesion	0010	0.70	$36.41	$10.56	$7.28
17003	T	Destroy lesions, 2-14	0010	0.70	$36.41	$10.56	$7.28
17004	T	Destroy lesions, 15 or more	0011	1.93	$100.38	$27.88	$20.08
17106	T	Destruction of skin lesions	0011	1.93	$100.38	$27.88	$20.08
17107	T	Destruction of skin lesions	0011	1.93	$100.38	$27.88	$20.08
17108	T	Destruction of skin lesions	0011	1.93	$100.38	$27.88	$20.08
17110	T	Destruct lesion, 1-14	0010	0.70	$36.41	$10.56	$7.28
17111	T	Destruct lesion, 15 or more	0011	1.93	$100.38	$27.88	$20.08
17250	T	Chemical cautery, tissue	0013	1.10	$57.21	$14.30	$11.44
17260	T	Destruction of skin lesions	0015	1.43	$74.37	$18.59	$14.87
17261	T	Destruction of skin lesions	0015	1.43	$74.37	$18.59	$14.87
17262	T	Destruction of skin lesions	0015	1.43	$74.37	$18.59	$14.87
17263	T	Destruction of skin lesions	0015	1.43	$74.37	$18.59	$14.87
17264	T	Destruction of skin lesions	0015	1.43	$74.37	$18.59	$14.87
17266	T	Destruction of skin lesions	0016	2.57	$133.66	$56.14	$26.73
17270	T	Destruction of skin lesions	0015	1.43	$74.37	$18.59	$14.87
17271	T	Destruction of skin lesions	0012	0.76	$39.53	$10.67	$7.91
17272	T	Destruction of skin lesions	0015	1.43	$74.37	$18.59	$14.87
17273	T	Destruction of skin lesions	0015	1.43	$74.37	$18.59	$14.87
17274	T	Destruction of skin lesions	0016	2.57	$133.66	$56.14	$26.73
17276	T	Destruction of skin lesions	0016	2.57	$133.66	$56.14	$26.73
17280	T	Destruction of skin lesions	0015	1.43	$74.37	$18.59	$14.87
17281	T	Destruction of skin lesions	0015	1.43	$74.37	$18.59	$14.87
17282	T	Destruction of skin lesions	0015	1.43	$74.37	$18.59	$14.87
17283	T	Destruction of skin lesions	0015	1.43	$74.37	$18.59	$14.87
17284	T	Destruction of skin lesions	0016	2.57	$133.66	$56.14	$26.73
17286	T	Destruction of skin lesions	0015	1.43	$74.37	$18.59	$14.87
17304	T	Chemosurgery of skin lesion	0694	3.90	$202.84	$81.14	$40.57
17305	T	2nd stage chemosurgery	0694	3.90	$202.84	$81.14	$40.57

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17306	T	3rd stage chemosurgery	0694	3.90	$202.84	$81.14	$40.57
17307	T	Followup skin lesion therapy	0694	3.90	$202.84	$81.14	$40.57
17310	T	Extensive skin chemosurgery	0694	3.90	$202.84	$81.14	$40.57
17340	T	Cryotherapy of skin	0012	0.76	$39.53	$10.67	$7.91
17360	T	Skin peel therapy	0012	0.76	$39.53	$10.67	$7.91
17380	T	Hair removal by electrolysis	0012	0.76	$39.53	$10.67	$7.91
17999	T	Skin tissue procedure	0006	1.89	$98.30	$25.56	$19.66
19000	T	Drainage of breast lesion	0004	1.63	$84.77	$22.04	$16.95
19001	T	Drain breast lesion add-on	0004	1.63	$84.77	$22.04	$16.95
19020	T	Incision of breast lesion	0008	16.32	$848.79		$169.76
19030	N	Injection for breast x-ray					
19100	T	Bx breast percut w/o image	0005	3.02	$157.07	$69.11	$31.41
19101	T	Biopsy of breast, open	0028	17.44	$907.04	$303.74	$181.41
19102	T	Bx breast percut w/image	0005	3.02	$157.07	$69.11	$31.41
19103	T	Bx breast percut w/device	0658	5.57	$289.69		$57.94
19110	T	Nipple exploration	0028	17.44	$907.04	$303.74	$181.41
19112	T	Excise breast duct fistula	0028	17.44	$907.04	$303.74	$181.41
19120	T	Removal of breast lesion	0028	17.44	$907.04	$303.74	$181.41
19125	T	Excision, breast lesion	0028	17.44	$907.04	$303.74	$181.41
19126	T	Excision, addl breast lesion	0028	17.44	$907.04	$303.74	$181.41
19140	T	Removal of breast tissue	0028	17.44	$907.04	$303.74	$181.41
19160	T	Removal of breast tissue	0028	17.44	$907.04	$303.74	$181.41
19162	T	Remove breast tissue, nodes	0693	39.30	$2,043.95	$798.17	$408.79
19180	T	Removal of breast	0029	29.89	$1,554.55	$632.64	$310.91
19182	T	Removal of breast	0029	29.89	$1,554.55	$632.64	$310.91
19200	C	Removal of breast					
19220	C	Removal of breast					
19240	T	Removal of breast	0030	40.23	$2,092.32	$763.55	$418.46
19260	T	Removal of chest wall lesion	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
19271	C	Revision of chest wall					
19272	C	Extensive chest wall surgery					
19290	N	Place needle wire, breast					
19291	N	Place needle wire, breast					
19295	S	Place breast clip, percut	0657	1.38	$71.77		$14.35
19316	T	Suspension of breast	0029	29.89	$1,554.55	$632.64	$310.91
19318	T	Reduction of large breast	0693	39.30	$2,043.95	$798.17	$408.79
19324	T	Enlarge breast	0693	39.30	$2,043.95	$798.17	$408.79
19325	T	Enlarge breast with implant	0693	39.30	$2,043.95	$798.17	$408.79
19328	T	Removal of breast implant	0029	29.89	$1,554.55	$632.64	$310.91
19330	T	Removal of implant material	0029	29.89	$1,554.55	$632.64	$310.91
19340	T	Immediate breast prosthesis	0030	40.23	$2,092.32	$763.55	$418.46
19342	T	Delayed breast prosthesis	0693	39.30	$2,043.95	$798.17	$408.79
19350	T	Breast reconstruction	0029	29.89	$1,554.55	$632.64	$310.91
19355	T	Correct inverted nipple(s)	0029	29.89	$1,554.55	$632.64	$310.91
19357	T	Breast reconstruction	0693	39.30	$2,043.95	$798.17	$408.79
19361	C	Breast reconstruction					
19364	C	Breast reconstruction					
19366	T	Breast reconstruction	0029	29.89	$1,554.55	$632.64	$310.91
19367	C	Breast reconstruction					
19368	C	Breast reconstruction					
19369	C	Breast reconstruction					
19370	T	Surgery of breast capsule	0029	29.89	$1,554.55	$632.64	$310.91
19371	T	Removal of breast capsule	0029	29.89	$1,554.55	$632.64	$310.91
19380	T	Revise breast reconstruction	0030	40.23	$2,092.32	$763.55	$418.46
19396	T	Design custom breast implant	0029	29.89	$1,554.55	$632.64	$310.91
19499	T	Breast surgery procedure	0028	17.44	$907.04	$303.74	$181.41
20000	T	Incision of abscess	0006	1.89	$98.30	$25.56	$19.66
20005	T	Incision of deep abscess	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
20100	T	Explore wound, neck	0023	2.38	$123.78	$40.37	$24.76
20101	T	Explore wound, chest	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
20102	T	Explore wound, abdomen	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
20103	T	Explore wound, extremity	0023	2.38	$123.78	$40.37	$24.76
20150	T	Excise epiphyseal bar	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
20200	T	Muscle biopsy	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
20205	T	Deep muscle biopsy	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
20206	T	Needle biopsy, muscle	0005	3.02	$157.07	$69.11	$31.41

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20220	T	Bone biopsy, trocar/needle	0019	3.94	$204.92	$75.82	$40.98
20225	T	Bone biopsy, trocar/needle	0019	3.94	$204.92	$75.82	$40.98
20240	T	Bone biopsy, excisional	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
20245	T	Bone biopsy, excisional	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
20250	T	Open bone biopsy	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
20251	T	Open bone biopsy	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
20500	T	Injection of sinus tract	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
20501	N	Inject sinus tract for x-ray					
20520	T	Removal of foreign body	0019	3.94	$204.92	$75.82	$40.98
20525	T	Removal of foreign body	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
20526	T	Ther injection carpal tunnel	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
20550	T	Inject tendon/ligament/cyst	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
20551	T	Inject tendon origin/insert	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
20552	T	Inject trigger point, 1 or 2	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
20553	T	Inject trigger points, > 3	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
20600	T	Drain/inject, joint/bursa	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
20605	T	Drain/inject, joint/bursa	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
20610	T	Drain/inject, joint/bursa	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
20615	T	Treatment of bone cyst	0004	1.63	$84.77	$22.04	$16.95
20650	T	Insert and remove bone pin	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
20660	C	Apply,remove fixation device					
20661	C	Application of head brace					
20662	C	Application of pelvis brace					
20663	C	Application of thigh brace					
20664	C	Halo brace application					
20665	X	Removal of fixation device	0340	0.66	$34.33		$6.87
20670	T	Removal of support implant	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
20680	T	Removal of support implant	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
20690	T	Apply bone fixation device	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
20692	T	Apply bone fixation device	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
20693	T	Adjust bone fixation device	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
20694	T	Remove bone fixation device	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
20802	C	Replantation, arm, complete					
20805	C	Replant, forearm, complete					
20808	C	Replantation hand, complete					
20816	C	Replantation digit, complete					
20822	C	Replantation digit, complete					
20824	C	Replantation thumb, complete					
20827	C	Replantation thumb, complete					
20838	C	Replantation foot, complete					
20900	T	Removal of bone for graft	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
20902	T	Removal of bone for graft	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
20910	T	Remove cartilage for graft	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
20912	T	Remove cartilage for graft	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
20920	T	Removal of fascia for graft	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
20922	T	Removal of fascia for graft	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
20924	T	Removal of tendon for graft	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
20926	T	Removal of tissue for graft	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
20930	C	Spinal bone allograft					
20931	C	Spinal bone allograft					
20936	C	Spinal bone autograft					
20937	C	Spinal bone autograft					
20938	C	Spinal bone autograft					
20950	T	Fluid pressure, muscle	0006	1.89	$98.30	$25.56	$19.66
20955	C	Fibula bone graft, microvasc					
20956	C	Iliac bone graft, microvasc					
20957	C	Mt bone graft, microvasc					
20962	C	Other bone graft, microvasc					
20969	C	Bone/skin graft, microvasc					
20970	C	Bone/skin graft, iliac crest					
20972	C	Bone/skin graft, metatarsal					
20973	C	Bone/skin graft, great toe					
20974	A	Electrical bone stimulation					
20975	T	Electrical bone stimulation	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
20979	A	Us bone stimulation					
20999	T	Musculoskeletal surgery	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32

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21010	T	Incision of jaw joint	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21015	T	Resection of facial tumor	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
21025	T	Excision of bone, lower jaw	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21026	T	Excision of facial bone(s)	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21029	T	Contour of face bone lesion	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21030	T	Removal of face bone lesion	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21031	T	Remove exostosis, mandible	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21032	T	Remove exostosis, maxilla	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21034	T	Removal of face bone lesion	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21040	T	Removal of jaw bone lesion	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21041	T	Removal of jaw bone lesion	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21044	T	Removal of jaw bone lesion	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21045	C	Extensive jaw surgery					
21050	T	Removal of jaw joint	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21060	T	Remove jaw joint cartilage	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21070	T	Remove coronoid process	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21076	T	Prepare face/oral prosthesis	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21077	T	Prepare face/oral prosthesis	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21079	T	Prepare face/oral prosthesis	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21080	T	Prepare face/oral prosthesis	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21081	T	Prepare face/oral prosthesis	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21082	T	Prepare face/oral prosthesis	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21083	T	Prepare face/oral prosthesis	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21084	T	Prepare face/oral prosthesis	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21085	T	Prepare face/oral prosthesis	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
21086	T	Prepare face/oral prosthesis	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21087	T	Prepare face/oral prosthesis	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21088	T	Prepare face/oral prosthesis	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21089	T	Prepare face/oral prosthesis	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
21100	T	Maxillofacial fixation	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21110	T	Interdental fixation	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
21116	N	Injection, jaw joint x-ray					
21120	T	Reconstruction of chin	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21121	T	Reconstruction of chin	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21122	T	Reconstruction of chin	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21123	T	Reconstruction of chin	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21125	T	Augmentation, lower jaw bone	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21127	T	Augmentation, lower jaw bone	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21137	T	Reduction of forehead	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21138	T	Reduction of forehead	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21139	T	Reduction of forehead	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21141	C	Reconstruct midface, lefort					
21142	C	Reconstruct midface, lefort					
21143	C	Reconstruct midface, lefort					
21145	C	Reconstruct midface, lefort					
21146	C	Reconstruct midface, lefort					
21147	C	Reconstruct midface, lefort					
21150	C	Reconstruct midface, lefort					
21151	C	Reconstruct midface, lefort					
21154	C	Reconstruct midface, lefort					
21155	C	Reconstruct midface, lefort					
21159	C	Reconstruct midface, lefort					
21160	C	Reconstruct midface, lefort					
21172	C	Reconstruct orbit/forehead					
21175	C	Reconstruct orbit/forehead					
21179	C	Reconstruct entire forehead					
21180	C	Reconstruct entire forehead					
21181	T	Contour cranial bone lesion	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21182	C	Reconstruct cranial bone					
21183	C	Reconstruct cranial bone					
21184	C	Reconstruct cranial bone					
21188	C	Reconstruction of midface					
21193	C	Reconst lwr jaw w/o graft					
21194	C	Reconst lwr jaw w/graft					
21195	C	Reconst lwr jaw w/o fixation					
21196	C	Reconst lwr jaw w/fixation					

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21198	T	Reconstr lwr jaw segment	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21199	T	Reconstr lwr jaw w/advance	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21206	T	Reconstruct upper jaw bone	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21208	T	Augmentation of facial bones	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21209	T	Reduction of facial bones	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21210	T	Face bone graft	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21215	T	Lower jaw bone graft	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21230	T	Rib cartilage graft	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21235	T	Ear cartilage graft	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21240	T	Reconstruction of jaw joint	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21242	T	Reconstruction of jaw joint	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21243	T	Reconstruction of jaw joint	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21244	T	Reconstruction of lower jaw	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21245	T	Reconstruction of jaw	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21246	T	Reconstruction of jaw	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21247	C	Reconstruct lower jaw bone					
21248	T	Reconstruction of jaw	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21249	T	Reconstruction of jaw	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21255	C	Reconstruct lower jaw bone					
21256	C	Reconstruction of orbit					
21260	T	Revise eye sockets	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21261	T	Revise eye sockets	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21263	T	Revise eye sockets	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21267	T	Revise eye sockets	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21268	C	Revise eye sockets					
21270	T	Augmentation, cheek bone	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21275	T	Revision, orbitofacial bones	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21280	T	Revision of eyelid	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21282	T	Revision of eyelid	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
21295	T	Revision of jaw muscle/bone	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
21296	T	Revision of jaw muscle/bone	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21299	T	Cranio/maxillofacial surgery	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
21300	T	Treatment of skull fracture	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
21310	X	Treatment of nose fracture	0340	0.66	$34.33		$6.87
21315	X	Treatment of nose fracture	0340	0.66	$34.33		$6.87
21320	X	Treatment of nose fracture	0340	0.66	$34.33		$6.87
21325	T	Treatment of nose fracture	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21330	T	Treatment of nose fracture	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21335	T	Treatment of nose fracture	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21336	T	Treat nasal septal fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
21337	T	Treat nasal septal fracture	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
21338	T	Treat nasoethmoid fracture	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21339	T	Treat nasoethmoid fracture	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21340	T	Treatment of nose fracture	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21343	C	Treatment of sinus fracture					
21344	C	Treatment of sinus fracture					
21345	T	Treat nose/jaw fracture	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21346	C	Treat nose/jaw fracture					
21347	C	Treat nose/jaw fracture					
21348	C	Treat nose/jaw fracture					
21355	T	Treat cheek bone fracture	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21356	C	Treat cheek bone fracture					
21360	C	Treat cheek bone fracture					
21365	C	Treat cheek bone fracture					
21366	C	Treat cheek bone fracture					
21385	C	Treat eye socket fracture					
21386	C	Treat eye socket fracture					
21387	C	Treat eye socket fracture					
21390	T	Treat eye socket fracture	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21395	C	Treat eye socket fracture					
21400	T	Treat eye socket fracture	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
21401	T	Treat eye socket fracture	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
21406	T	Treat eye socket fracture	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21407	T	Treat eye socket fracture	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21408	C	Treat eye socket fracture					
21421	T	Treat mouth roof fracture	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70

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21422	C	Treat mouth roof fracture					
21423	C	Treat mouth roof fracture					
21431	C	Treat craniofacial fracture					
21432	C	Treat craniofacial fracture					
21433	C	Treat craniofacial fracture					
21435	C	Treat craniofacial fracture					
21436	C	Treat craniofacial fracture					
21440	T	Treat dental ridge fracture	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21445	T	Treat dental ridge fracture	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21450	T	Treat lower jaw fracture	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
21451	T	Treat lower jaw fracture	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
21452	T	Treat lower jaw fracture	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
21453	T	Treat lower jaw fracture	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21454	T	Treat lower jaw fracture	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
21461	T	Treat lower jaw fracture	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21462	T	Treat lower jaw fracture	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21465	T	Treat lower jaw fracture	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21470	T	Treat lower jaw fracture	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21480	T	Reset dislocated jaw	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
21485	T	Reset dislocated jaw	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
21490	T	Repair dislocated jaw	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
21493	T	Treat hyoid bone fracture	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
21494	T	Treat hyoid bone fracture	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
21495	C	Treat hyoid bone fracture					
21497	T	Interdental wiring	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
21499	T	Head surgery procedure	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
21501	T	Drain neck/chest lesion	0008	16.32	$848.79		$169.76
21502	T	Drain chest lesion	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
21510	C	Drainage of bone lesion					
21550	T	Biopsy of neck/chest	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
21555	T	Remove lesion, neck/chest	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
21556	T	Remove lesion, neck/chest	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
21557	C	Remove tumor, neck/chest					
21600	T	Partial removal of rib	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
21610	T	Partial removal of rib	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
21615	C	Removal of rib					
21616	C	Removal of rib and nerves					
21620	C	Partial removal of sternum					
21627	C	Sternal debridement					
21630	C	Extensive sternum surgery					
21632	C	Extensive sternum surgery					
21700	T	Revision of neck muscle	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
21705	C	Revision of neck muscle/rib					
21720	T	Revision of neck muscle	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
21725	T	Revision of neck muscle	0006	1.89	$98.30	$25.56	$19.66
21740	C	Reconstruction of sternum					
21750	C	Repair of sternum separation					
21800	T	Treatment of rib fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
21805	T	Treatment of rib fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
21810	C	Treatment of rib fracture(s)					
21820	T	Treat sternum fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
21825	C	Treat sternum fracture					
21899	T	Neck/chest surgery procedure	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
21920	T	Biopsy soft tissue of back	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
21925	T	Biopsy soft tissue of back	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
21930	T	Remove lesion, back or flank	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
21935	T	Remove tumor, back	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
22100	T	Remove part of neck vertebra	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
22101	T	Remove part, thorax vertebra	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
22102	T	Remove part, lumbar vertebra	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
22103	T	Remove extra spine segment	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
22110	C	Remove part of neck vertebra					
22112	C	Remove part, thorax vertebra					
22114	C	Remove part, lumbar vertebra					
22116	C	Remove extra spine segment					
22210	C	Revision of neck spine					

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22212	C	Revision of thorax spine					
22214	C	Revision of lumbar spine					
22216	C	Revise, extra spine segment					
22220	C	Revision of neck spine					
22222	C	Revision of thorax spine					
22224	C	Revision of lumbar spine					
22226	C	Revise, extra spine segment					
22305	T	Treat spine process fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
22310	T	Treat spine fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
22315	T	Treat spine fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
22318	C	Treat odontoid fx w/o graft					
22319	C	Treat odontoid fx w/graft					
22325	C	Treat spine fracture					
22326	C	Treat neck spine fracture					
22327	C	Treat thorax spine fracture					
22328	C	Treat each add spine fx					
22505	T	Manipulation of spine	0045	13.47	$700.56	$280.22	$140.11
22520	T	Percut vertebroplasty thor	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
22521	T	Percut vertebroplasty lumb	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
22522	T	Percut vertebroplasty addl	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
22548	C	Neck spine fusion					
22554	C	Neck spine fusion					
22556	C	Thorax spine fusion					
22558	C	Lumbar spine fusion					
22585	C	Additional spinal fusion					
22590	C	Spine & skull spinal fusion					
22595	C	Neck spinal fusion					
22600	C	Neck spine fusion					
22610	C	Thorax spine fusion					
22612	C	Lumbar spine fusion					
22614	C	Spine fusion, extra segment					
22630	C	Lumbar spine fusion					
22632	C	Spine fusion, extra segment					
22800	C	Fusion of spine					
22802	C	Fusion of spine					
22804	C	Fusion of spine					
22808	C	Fusion of spine					
22810	C	Fusion of spine					
22812	C	Fusion of spine					
22818	C	Kyphectomy, 1-2 segments					
22819	C	Kyphectomy, 3 or more					
22830	C	Exploration of spinal fusion					
22840	C	Insert spine fixation device					
22841	C	Insert spine fixation device					
22842	C	Insert spine fixation device					
22843	C	Insert spine fixation device					
22844	C	Insert spine fixation device					
22845	C	Insert spine fixation device					
22846	C	Insert spine fixation device					
22847	C	Insert spine fixation device					
22848	C	Insert pelv fixation device					
22849	C	Reinsert spinal fixation					
22850	C	Remove spine fixation device					
22851	C	Apply spine prosth device					
22852	C	Remove spine fixation device					
22855	C	Remove spine fixation device					
22899	T	Spine surgery procedure	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
22900	T	Remove abdominal wall lesion	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
22999	T	Abdomen surgery procedure	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
23000	T	Removal of calcium deposits	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
23020	T	Release shoulder joint	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
23030	T	Drain shoulder lesion	0008	16.32	$848.79		$169.76
23031	T	Drain shoulder bursa	0008	16.32	$848.79		$169.76
23035	T	Drain shoulder bone lesion	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
23040	T	Exploratory shoulder surgery	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
23044	T	Exploratory shoulder surgery	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48

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23065	T	Biopsy shoulder tissues	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
23066	T	Biopsy shoulder tissues	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
23075	T	Removal of shoulder lesion	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
23076	T	Removal of shoulder lesion	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
23077	T	Remove tumor of shoulder	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
23100	T	Biopsy of shoulder joint	0049	19.45	$1,011.58	....	$202.32
23101	T	Shoulder joint surgery	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
23105	T	Remove shoulder joint lining	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
23106	T	Incision of collarbone joint	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
23107	T	Explore treat shoulder joint	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
23120	T	Partial removal, collar bone	0051	34.03	$1,769.87	....	$353.97
23125	T	Removal of collar bone	0051	34.03	$1,769.87	....	$353.97
23130	T	Remove shoulder bone, part	0051	34.03	$1,769.87	....	$353.97
23140	T	Removal of bone lesion	0049	19.45	$1,011.58	....	$202.32
23145	T	Removal of bone lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
23146	T	Removal of bone lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
23150	T	Removal of humerus lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
23155	T	Removal of humerus lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
23156	T	Removal of humerus lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
23170	T	Remove collar bone lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
23172	T	Remove shoulder blade lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
23174	T	Remove humerus lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
23180	T	Remove collar bone lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
23182	T	Remove shoulder blade lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
23184	T	Remove humerus lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
23190	T	Partial removal of scapula	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
23195	T	Removal of head of humerus	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
23200	C	Removal of collar bone	....	....	....	....	....
23210	C	Removal of shoulder blade	....	....	....	....	....
23220	C	Partial removal of humerus	....	....	....	....	....
23221	C	Partial removal of humerus	....	....	....	....	....
23222	C	Partial removal of humerus	....	....	....	....	....
23330	T	Remove shoulder foreign body	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
23331	T	Remove shoulder foreign body	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
23332	C	Remove shoulder foreign body	....	....	....	....	....
23350	N	Injection for shoulder x-ray	....	....	....	....	....
23395	T	Muscle transfer,shoulder/arm	0051	34.03	$1,769.87	....	$353.97
23397	T	Muscle transfers	0052	42.37	$2,203.62	....	$440.72
23400	T	Fixation of shoulder blade	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
23405	T	Incision of tendon & muscle	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
23406	T	Incise tendon(s) & muscle(s)	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
23410	T	Repair of tendon(s)	0052	42.37	$2,203.62	....	$440.72
23412	T	Repair of tendon(s)	0052	42.37	$2,203.62	....	$440.72
23415	T	Release of shoulder ligament	0051	34.03	$1,769.87	....	$353.97
23420	T	Repair of shoulder	0052	42.37	$2,203.62	....	$440.72
23430	T	Repair biceps tendon	0052	42.37	$2,203.62	....	$440.72
23440	T	Remove/transplant tendon	0052	42.37	$2,203.62	....	$440.72
23450	T	Repair shoulder capsule	0052	42.37	$2,203.62	....	$440.72
23455	T	Repair shoulder capsule	0052	42.37	$2,203.62	....	$440.72
23460	T	Repair shoulder capsule	0052	42.37	$2,203.62	....	$440.72
23462	T	Repair shoulder capsule	0052	42.37	$2,203.62	....	$440.72
23465	T	Repair shoulder capsule	0052	42.37	$2,203.62	....	$440.72
23466	T	Repair shoulder capsule	0052	42.37	$2,203.62	....	$440.72
23470	T	Reconstruct shoulder joint	0048	36.93	$1,920.69	$633.83	$384.14
23472	C	Reconstruct shoulder joint	....	....	....	....	....
23480	T	Revision of collar bone	0051	34.03	$1,769.87	....	$353.97
23485	T	Revision of collar bone	0051	34.03	$1,769.87	....	$353.97
23490	T	Reinforce clavicle	0051	34.03	$1,769.87	....	$353.97
23491	T	Reinforce shoulder bones	0051	34.03	$1,769.87	....	$353.97
23500	T	Treat clavicle fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
23505	T	Treat clavicle fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
23515	T	Treat clavicle fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
23520	T	Treat clavicle dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
23525	T	Treat clavicle dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
23530	T	Treat clavicle dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
23532	T	Treat clavicle dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96

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23540	T	Treat clavicle dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
23545	T	Treat clavicle dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
23550	T	Treat clavicle dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
23552	T	Treat clavicle dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
23570	T	Treat shoulder blade fx	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
23575	T	Treat shoulder blade fx	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
23585	T	Treat scapula fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
23600	T	Treat humerus fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
23605	T	Treat humerus fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
23615	T	Treat humerus fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
23616	T	Treat humerus fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
23620	T	Treat humerus fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
23625	T	Treat humerus fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
23630	T	Treat humerus fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
23650	T	Treat shoulder dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
23655	T	Treat shoulder dislocation	0045	13.47	$700.56	$280.22	$140.11
23660	T	Treat shoulder dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
23665	T	Treat dislocation/fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
23670	T	Treat dislocation/fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
23675	T	Treat dislocation/fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
23680	T	Treat dislocation/fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
23700	T	Fixation of shoulder	0045	13.47	$700.56	$280.22	$140.11
23800	T	Fusion of shoulder joint	0051	34.03	$1,769.87	....	$353.97
23802	T	Fusion of shoulder joint	0051	34.03	$1,769.87	....	$353.97
23900	C	Amputation of arm & girdle	....	....	....	....	....
23920	C	Amputation at shoulder joint	....	....	....	....	....
23921	T	Amputation follow-up surgery	0025	5.89	$306.33	$116.41	$61.27
23929	T	Shoulder surgery procedure	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
23930	T	Drainage of arm lesion	0008	16.32	$848.79	....	$169.76
23931	T	Drainage of arm bursa	0006	1.89	$98.30	$25.56	$19.66
23935	T	Drain arm/elbow bone lesion	0049	19.45	$1,011.58	....	$202.32
24000	T	Exploratory elbow surgery	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
24006	T	Release elbow joint	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
24065	T	Biopsy arm/elbow soft tissue	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
24066	T	Biopsy arm/elbow soft tissue	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
24075	T	Remove arm/elbow lesion	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
24076	T	Remove arm/elbow lesion	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
24077	T	Remove tumor of arm/elbow	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
24100	T	Biopsy elbow joint lining	0049	19.45	$1,011.58	....	$202.32
24101	T	Explore/treat elbow joint	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
24102	T	Remove elbow joint lining	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
24105	T	Removal of elbow bursa	0049	19.45	$1,011.58	....	$202.32
24110	T	Remove humerus lesion	0049	19.45	$1,011.58	....	$202.32
24115	T	Remove/graft bone lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
24116	T	Remove/graft bone lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
24120	T	Remove elbow lesion	0049	19.45	$1,011.58	....	$202.32
24125	T	Remove/graft bone lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
24126	T	Remove/graft bone lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
24130	T	Removal of head of radius	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
24134	T	Removal of arm bone lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
24136	T	Remove radius bone lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
24138	T	Remove elbow bone lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
24140	T	Partial removal of arm bone	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
24145	T	Partial removal of radius	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
24147	T	Partial removal of elbow	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
24149	C	Radical resection of elbow	....	....	....	....	....
24150	T	Extensive humerus surgery	0052	42.37	$2,203.62	....	$440.72
24151	T	Extensive humerus surgery	0052	42.37	$2,203.62	....	$440.72
24152	T	Extensive radius surgery	0052	42.37	$2,203.62	....	$440.72
24153	T	Extensive radius surgery	0052	42.37	$2,203.62	....	$440.72
24155	T	Removal of elbow joint	0051	34.03	$1,769.87	....	$353.97
24160	T	Remove elbow joint implant	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
24164	T	Remove radius head implant	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
24200	T	Removal of arm foreign body	0019	3.94	$204.92	$75.82	$40.98
24201	T	Removal of arm foreign body	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
24220	N	Injection for elbow x-ray	....	....	....	....	....

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24300	T	Manipulate elbow w/anesth	0045	13.47	$700.56	$280.22	$140.11
24301	T	Muscle/tendon transfer	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
24305	T	Arm tendon lengthening	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
24310	T	Revision of arm tendon	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
24320	T	Repair of arm tendon	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
24330	T	Revision of arm muscles	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
24331	T	Revision of arm muscles	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
24332	T	Tenolysis, triceps	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
24340	T	Repair of biceps tendon	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
24341	T	Repair arm tendon/muscle	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
24342	T	Repair of ruptured tendon	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
24343	T	Repr elbow lat ligmnt w/tiss	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
24344	T	Reconstruct elbow lat ligmnt	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
24345	T	Repr elbw med ligmnt w/tiss	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
24346	T	Reconstruct elbow med ligmnt	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
24350	T	Repair of tennis elbow	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
24351	T	Repair of tennis elbow	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
24352	T	Repair of tennis elbow	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
24354	T	Repair of tennis elbow	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
24356	T	Revision of tennis elbow	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
24360	T	Reconstruct elbow joint	0047	29.59	$1,538.95	$537.03	$307.79
24361	T	Reconstruct elbow joint	0048	36.93	$1,920.69	$633.83	$384.14
24362	T	Reconstruct elbow joint	0048	36.93	$1,920.69	$633.83	$384.14
24363	T	Replace elbow joint	0048	36.93	$1,920.69	$633.83	$384.14
24365	T	Reconstruct head of radius	0047	29.59	$1,538.95	$537.03	$307.79
24366	T	Reconstruct head of radius	0048	36.93	$1,920.69	$633.83	$384.14
24400	T	Revision of humerus	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
24410	T	Revision of humerus	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
24420	T	Revision of humerus	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
24430	T	Repair of humerus	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
24435	T	Repair humerus with graft	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
24470	T	Revision of elbow joint	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
24495	T	Decompression of forearm	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
24498	T	Reinforce humerus	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
24500	T	Treat humerus fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
24505	T	Treat humerus fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
24515	T	Treat humerus fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
24516	T	Treat humerus fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
24530	T	Treat humerus fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
24535	T	Treat humerus fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
24538	T	Treat humerus fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
24545	T	Treat humerus fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
24546	T	Treat humerus fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
24560	T	Treat humerus fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
24565	T	Treat humerus fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
24566	T	Treat humerus fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
24575	T	Treat humerus fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
24576	T	Treat humerus fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
24577	T	Treat humerus fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
24579	T	Treat humerus fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
24582	T	Treat humerus fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
24586	T	Treat elbow fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
24587	T	Treat elbow fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
24600	T	Treat elbow dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
24605	T	Treat elbow dislocation	0045	13.47	$700.56	$280.22	$140.11
24615	T	Treat elbow dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
24620	T	Treat elbow fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
24635	T	Treat elbow fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
24640	T	Treat elbow dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
24650	T	Treat radius fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
24655	T	Treat radius fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
24665	T	Treat radius fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
24666	T	Treat radius fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
24670	T	Treat ulnar fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
24675	T	Treat ulnar fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
24685	T	Treat ulnar fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96

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24800	T	Fusion of elbow joint	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
24802	T	Fusion/graft of elbow joint	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
24900	C	Amputation of upper arm					
24920	C	Amputation of upper arm					
24925	T	Amputation follow-up surgery	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
24930	C	Amputation follow-up surgery					
24931	C	Amputate upper arm & implant					
24935	T	Revision of amputation	0052	42.37	$2,203.62		$440.72
24940	C	Revision of upper arm					
24999	T	Upper arm/elbow surgery	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
25000	T	Incision of tendon sheath	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
25001	T	Incise flexor carpi radialis	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
25020	T	Decompress forearm 1 space	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
25023	T	Decompress forearm 1 space	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25024	T	Decompress forearm 2 spaces	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25025	T	Decompress forarm 2 spaces	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25028	T	Drainage of forearm lesion	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
25031	T	Drainage of forearm bursa	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
25035	T	Treat forearm bone lesion	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
25040	T	Explore/treat wrist joint	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25065	T	Biopsy forearm soft tissues	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
25066	T	Biopsy forearm soft tissues	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
25075	T	Remove forearm lesion subcut	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
25076	T	Remove forearm lesion deep	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
25077	T	Remove tumor, forearm/wrist	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
25085	T	Incision of wrist capsule	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
25100	T	Biopsy of wrist joint	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
25101	T	Explore/treat wrist joint	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25105	T	Remove wrist joint lining	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25107	T	Remove wrist joint cartilage	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25110	T	Remove wrist tendon lesion	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
25111	T	Remove wrist tendon lesion	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
25112	T	Reremove wrist tendon lesion	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
25115	T	Remove wrist/forearm lesion	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
25116	T	Remove wrist/forearm lesion	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
25118	T	Excise wrist tendon sheath	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25119	T	Partial removal of ulna	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25120	T	Removal of forearm lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25125	T	Remove/graft forearm lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25126	T	Remove/graft forearm lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25130	T	Removal of wrist lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25135	T	Remove & graft wrist lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25136	T	Remove & graft wrist lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25145	T	Remove forearm bone lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25150	T	Partial removal of ulna	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25151	T	Partial removal of radius	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25170	T	Extensive forearm surgery	0052	42.37	$2,203.62		$440.72
25210	T	Removal of wrist bone	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
25215	T	Removal of wrist bones	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
25230	T	Partial removal of radius	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25240	T	Partial removal of ulna	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25246	N	Injection for wrist x-ray					
25248	T	Remove forearm foreign body	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
25250	T	Removal of wrist prosthesis	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25251	T	Removal of wrist prosthesis	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25259	T	Manipulate wrist w/anesthes	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
25260	T	Repair forearm tendon/muscle	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25263	T	Repair forearm tendon/muscle	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25265	T	Repair forearm tendon/muscle	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25270	T	Repair forearm tendon/muscle	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25272	T	Repair forearm tendon/muscle	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25274	T	Repair forearm tendon/muscle	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25275	T	Repair forearm tendon sheath	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25280	T	Revise wrist/forearm tendon	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25290	T	Incise wrist/forearm tendon	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25295	T	Release wrist/forearm tendon	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32

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25300	T	Fusion of tendons at wrist	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25301	T	Fusion of tendons at wrist	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25310	T	Transplant forearm tendon	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25312	T	Transplant forearm tendon	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25315	T	Revise palsy hand tendon(s)	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25316	T	Revise palsy hand tendon(s)	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25320	T	Repair/revise wrist joint	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25332	T	Revise wrist joint	0047	29.59	$1,538.95	$537.03	$307.79
25335	T	Realignment of hand	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25337	T	Reconstruct ulna/radioulnar	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25350	T	Revision of radius	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25355	T	Revision of radius	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25360	T	Revision of ulna	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25365	T	Revise radius & ulna	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25370	T	Revise radius or ulna	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25375	T	Revise radius & ulna	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25390	T	Shorten radius or ulna	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25391	T	Lengthen radius or ulna	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25392	T	Shorten radius & ulna	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25393	T	Lengthen radius & ulna	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25394	T	Repair carpal bone, shorten	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
25400	T	Repair radius or ulna	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25405	T	Repair/graft radius or ulna	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25415	T	Repair radius & ulna	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
25420	T	Repair/graft radius & ulna	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25425	T	Repair/graft radius or ulna	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25426	T	Repair/graft radius & ulna	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25430	T	Vasc graft into carpal bone	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
25431	T	Repair nonunion carpal bone	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
25440	T	Repair/graft wrist bone	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25441	T	Reconstruct wrist joint	0048	36.93	$1,920.69	$633.83	$384.14
25442	T	Reconstruct wrist joint	0048	36.93	$1,920.69	$633.83	$384.14
25443	T	Reconstruct wrist joint	0048	36.93	$1,920.69	$633.83	$384.14
25444	T	Reconstruct wrist joint	0048	36.93	$1,920.69	$633.83	$384.14
25445	T	Reconstruct wrist joint	0048	36.93	$1,920.69	$633.83	$384.14
25446	T	Wrist replacement	0048	36.93	$1,920.69	$633.83	$384.14
25447	T	Repair wrist joint(s)	0047	29.59	$1,538.95	$537.03	$307.79
25449	T	Remove wrist joint implant	0047	29.59	$1,538.95	$537.03	$307.79
25450	T	Revision of wrist joint	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25455	T	Revision of wrist joint	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25490	T	Reinforce radius	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25491	T	Reinforce ulna	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25492	T	Reinforce radius and ulna	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25500	T	Treat fracture of radius	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
25505	T	Treat fracture of radius	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
25515	T	Treat fracture of radius	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
25520	T	Treat fracture of radius	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
25525	T	Treat fracture of radius	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
25526	T	Treat fracture of radius	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
25530	T	Treat fracture of ulna	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
25535	T	Treat fracture of ulna	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
25545	T	Treat fracture of ulna	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
25560	T	Treat fracture radius & ulna	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
25565	T	Treat fracture radius & ulna	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
25574	T	Treat fracture radius & ulna	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
25575	T	Treat fracture radius/ulna	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
25600	T	Treat fracture radius/ulna	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
25605	T	Treat fracture radius/ulna	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
25611	T	Treat fracture radius/ulna	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
25620	T	Treat fracture radius/ulna	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
25622	T	Treat wrist bone fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
25624	T	Treat wrist bone fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
25628	T	Treat wrist bone fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
25630	T	Treat wrist bone fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
25635	T	Treat wrist bone fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
25645	T	Treat wrist bone fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96

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25650	T	Treat wrist bone fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
25651	T	Pin ulnar styloid fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
25652	T	Treat fracture ulnar styloid	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
25660	T	Treat wrist dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
25670	T	Treat wrist dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
25671	T	Pin radioulnar dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
25675	T	Treat wrist dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
25676	T	Treat wrist dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
25680	T	Treat wrist fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
25685	T	Treat wrist fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
25690	T	Treat wrist dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
25695	T	Treat wrist dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
25800	T	Fusion of wrist joint	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25805	T	Fusion/graft of wrist joint	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25810	T	Fusion/graft of wrist joint	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25820	T	Fusion of hand bones	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
25825	T	Fuse hand bones with graft	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
25830	T	Fusion, radioulnar jnt/ulna	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
25900	C	Amputation of forearm					
25905	C	Amputation of forearm					
25907	T	Amputation follow-up surgery	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
25909	C	Amputation follow-up surgery					
25915	C	Amputation of forearm					
25920	C	Amputate hand at wrist					
25922	T	Amputate hand at wrist	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
25924	C	Amputation follow-up surgery					
25927	C	Amputation of hand					
25929	T	Amputation follow-up surgery	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
25931	C	Amputation follow-up surgery					
25999	T	Forearm or wrist surgery	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
26010	T	Drainage of finger abscess	0006	1.89	$98.30	$25.56	$19.66
26011	T	Drainage of finger abscess	0007	9.44	$490.96	$103.10	$98.19
26020	T	Drain hand tendon sheath	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26025	T	Drainage of palm bursa	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26030	T	Drainage of palm bursa(s)	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26034	T	Treat hand bone lesion	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26035	T	Decompress fingers/hand	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26037	T	Decompress fingers/hand	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26040	T	Release palm contracture	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26045	T	Release palm contracture	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26055	T	Incise finger tendon sheath	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26060	T	Incision of finger tendon	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26070	T	Explore/treat hand joint	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26075	T	Explore/treat finger joint	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26080	T	Explore/treat finger joint	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26100	T	Biopsy hand joint lining	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26105	T	Biopsy finger joint lining	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26110	T	Biopsy finger joint lining	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26115	T	Remove hand lesion subcut	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
26116	T	Remove hand lesion, deep	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
26117	T	Remove tumor, hand/finger	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
26121	T	Release palm contracture	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26123	T	Release palm contracture	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26125	T	Release palm contracture	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26130	T	Remove wrist joint lining	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26135	T	Revise finger joint, each	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26140	T	Revise finger joint, each	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26145	T	Tendon excision, palm/finger	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26160	T	Remove tendon sheath lesion	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26170	T	Removal of palm tendon, each	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26180	T	Removal of finger tendon	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26185	T	Remove finger bone	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26200	T	Remove hand bone lesion	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26205	T	Remove/graft bone lesion	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26210	T	Removal of finger lesion	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26215	T	Remove/graft finger lesion	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53

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26230	T	Partial removal of hand bone	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26235	T	Partial removal, finger bone	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26236	T	Partial removal, finger bone	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26250	T	Extensive hand surgery	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26255	T	Extensive hand surgery	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26260	T	Extensive finger surgery	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26261	T	Extensive finger surgery	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26262	T	Partial removal of finger	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26320	T	Removal of implant from hand	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
26340	T	Manipulate finger w/anesth	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
26350	T	Repair finger/hand tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26352	T	Repair/graft hand tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26356	T	Repair finger/hand tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26357	T	Repair finger/hand tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26358	T	Repair/graft hand tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26370	T	Repair finger/hand tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26372	T	Repair/graft hand tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26373	T	Repair finger/hand tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26390	T	Revise hand/finger tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26392	T	Repair/graft hand tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26410	T	Repair hand tendon	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26412	T	Repair/graft hand tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26415	T	Excision, hand/finger tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26416	T	Graft hand or finger tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26418	T	Repair finger tendon	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26420	T	Repair/graft finger tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26426	T	Repair finger/hand tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26428	T	Repair/graft finger tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26432	T	Repair finger tendon	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26433	T	Repair finger tendon	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26434	T	Repair/graft finger tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26437	T	Realignment of tendons	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26440	T	Release palm/finger tendon	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26442	T	Release palm & finger tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26445	T	Release hand/finger tendon	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26449	T	Release forearm/hand tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26450	T	Incision of palm tendon	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26455	T	Incision of finger tendon	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26460	T	Incise hand/finger tendon	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26471	T	Fusion of finger tendons	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26474	T	Fusion of finger tendons	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26476	T	Tendon lengthening	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26477	T	Tendon shortening	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26478	T	Lengthening of hand tendon	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26479	T	Shortening of hand tendon	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26480	T	Transplant hand tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26483	T	Transplant/graft hand tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26485	T	Transplant palm tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26489	T	Transplant/graft palm tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26490	T	Revise thumb tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26492	T	Tendon transfer with graft	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26494	T	Hand tendon/muscle transfer	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26496	T	Revise thumb tendon	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26497	T	Finger tendon transfer	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26498	T	Finger tendon transfer	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26499	T	Revision of finger	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26500	T	Hand tendon reconstruction	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26502	T	Hand tendon reconstruction	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26504	T	Hand tendon reconstruction	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26508	T	Release thumb contracture	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26510	T	Thumb tendon transfer	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26516	T	Fusion of knuckle joint	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26517	T	Fusion of knuckle joints	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26518	T	Fusion of knuckle joints	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26520	T	Release knuckle contracture	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26525	T	Release finger contracture	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53

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26530	T	Revise knuckle joint	0047	29.59	$1,538.95	$537.03	$307.79
26531	T	Revise knuckle with implant	0048	36.93	$1,920.69	$633.83	$384.14
26535	T	Revise finger joint	0047	29.59	$1,538.95	$537.03	$307.79
26536	T	Revise/implant finger joint	0048	36.93	$1,920.69	$633.83	$384.14
26540	T	Repair hand joint	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26541	T	Repair hand joint with graft	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26542	T	Repair hand joint with graft	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26545	T	Reconstruct finger joint	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26546	T	Repair nonunion hand	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26548	T	Reconstruct finger joint	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26550	T	Construct thumb replacement	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26551	C	Great toe-hand transfer					
26553	C	Single transfer, toe-hand					
26554	C	Double transfer, toe-hand					
26555	T	Positional change of finger	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26556	C	Toe joint transfer					
26560	T	Repair of web finger	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26561	T	Repair of web finger	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26562	T	Repair of web finger	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26565	T	Correct metacarpal flaw	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26567	T	Correct finger deformity	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26568	T	Lengthen metacarpal/finger	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26580	T	Repair hand deformity	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26587	T	Reconstruct extra finger	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26590	T	Repair finger deformity	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26591	T	Repair muscles of hand	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26593	T	Release muscles of hand	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26596	T	Excision constricting tissue	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26600	T	Treat metacarpal fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
26605	T	Treat metacarpal fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
26607	T	Treat metacarpal fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
26608	T	Treat metacarpal fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
26615	T	Treat metacarpal fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
26641	T	Treat thumb dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
26645	T	Treat thumb fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
26650	T	Treat thumb fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
26665	T	Treat thumb fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
26670	T	Treat hand dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
26675	T	Treat hand dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
26676	T	Pin hand dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
26685	T	Treat hand dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
26686	T	Treat hand dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
26700	T	Treat knuckle dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
26705	T	Treat knuckle dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
26706	T	Pin knuckle dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
26715	T	Treat knuckle dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
26720	T	Treat finger fracture, each	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
26725	T	Treat finger fracture, each	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
26727	T	Treat finger fracture, each	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
26735	T	Treat finger fracture, each	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
26740	T	Treat finger fracture, each	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
26742	T	Treat finger fracture, each	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
26746	T	Treat finger fracture, each	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
26750	T	Treat finger fracture, each	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
26755	T	Treat finger fracture, each	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
26756	T	Pin finger fracture, each	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
26765	T	Treat finger fracture, each	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
26770	T	Treat finger dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
26775	T	Treat finger dislocation	0045	13.47	$700.56	$280.22	$140.11
26776	T	Pin finger dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
26785	T	Treat finger dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
26820	T	Thumb fusion with graft	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26841	T	Fusion of thumb	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26842	T	Thumb fusion with graft	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26843	T	Fusion of hand joint	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26844	T	Fusion/graft of hand joint	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44

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26850	T	Fusion of knuckle	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26852	T	Fusion of knuckle with graft	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26860	T	Fusion of finger joint	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26861	T	Fusion of finger jnt, add-on	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26862	T	Fusion/graft of finger joint	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26863	T	Fuse/graft added joint	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26910	T	Amputate metacarpal bone	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
26951	T	Amputation of finger/thumb	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26952	T	Amputation of finger/thumb	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
26989	T	Hand/finger surgery	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
26990	T	Drainage of pelvis lesion	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
26991	T	Drainage of pelvis bursa	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
26992	C	Drainage of bone lesion					
27000	T	Incision of hip tendon	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27001	T	Incision of hip tendon	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27003	T	Incision of hip tendon	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27005	C	Incision of hip tendon					
27006	C	Incision of hip tendons					
27025	C	Incision of hip/thigh fascia					
27030	C	Drainage of hip joint					
27033	T	Exploration of hip joint	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27035	T	Denervation of hip joint	0052	42.37	$2,203.62		$440.72
27036	C	Excision of hip joint/muscle					
27040	T	Biopsy of soft tissues	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
27041	T	Biopsy of soft tissues	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
27047	T	Remove hip/pelvis lesion	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
27048	T	Remove hip/pelvis lesion	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
27049	T	Remove tumor, hip/pelvis	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
27050	T	Biopsy of sacroiliac joint	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27052	T	Biopsy of hip joint	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27054	C	Removal of hip joint lining					
27060	T	Removal of ischial bursa	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27062	T	Remove femur lesion/bursa	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27065	T	Removal of hip bone lesion	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27066	T	Removal of hip bone lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27067	T	Remove/graft hip bone lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27070	C	Partial removal of hip bone					
27071	C	Partial removal of hip bone					
27075	C	Extensive hip surgery					
27076	C	Extensive hip surgery					
27077	C	Extensive hip surgery					
27078	C	Extensive hip surgery					
27079	C	Extensive hip surgery					
27080	T	Removal of tail bone	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27086	T	Remove hip foreign body	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
27087	T	Remove hip foreign body	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27090	C	Removal of hip prosthesis					
27091	C	Removal of hip prosthesis					
27093	N	Injection for hip x-ray					
27095	N	Injection for hip x-ray					
27096	N	Inject sacroiliac joint					
27097	T	Revision of hip tendon	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27098	T	Transfer tendon to pelvis	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27100	T	Transfer of abdominal muscle	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27105	T	Transfer of spinal muscle	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27110	T	Transfer of iliopsoas muscle	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27111	T	Transfer of iliopsoas muscle	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27120	C	Reconstruction of hip socket					
27122	C	Reconstruction of hip socket					
27125	C	Partial hip replacement					
27130	C	Total hip arthroplasty					
27132	C	Total hip arthroplasty					
27134	C	Revise hip joint replacement					
27137	C	Revise hip joint replacement					
27138	C	Revise hip joint replacement					
27140	C	Transplant femur ridge					

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27146	C	Incision of hip bone					
27147	C	Revision of hip bone					
27151	C	Incision of hip bones					
27156	C	Revision of hip bones					
27158	C	Revision of pelvis					
27161	C	Incision of neck of femur					
27165	C	Incision/fixation of femur					
27170	C	Repair/graft femur head/neck					
27175	C	Treat slipped epiphysis					
27176	C	Treat slipped epiphysis					
27177	C	Treat slipped epiphysis					
27178	C	Treat slipped epiphysis					
27179	C	Revise head/neck of femur					
27181	C	Treat slipped epiphysis					
27185	C	Revision of femur epiphysis					
27187	C	Reinforce hip bones					
27193	T	Treat pelvic ring fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27194	T	Treat pelvic ring fracture	0045	13.47	$700.56	$280.22	$140.11
27200	T	Treat tail bone fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27202	T	Treat tail bone fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
27215	C	Treat pelvic fracture(s)					
27216	T	Treat pelvic ring fracture	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27217	C	Treat pelvic ring fracture					
27218	C	Treat pelvic ring fracture					
27220	T	Treat hip socket fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27222	C	Treat hip socket fracture					
27226	C	Treat hip wall fracture					
27227	C	Treat hip fracture(s)					
27228	C	Treat hip fracture(s)					
27230	T	Treat thigh fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27232	C	Treat thigh fracture					
27235	T	Treat thigh fracture	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27236	C	Treat thigh fracture					
27238	T	Treat thigh fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27240	C	Treat thigh fracture					
27244	C	Treat thigh fracture					
27245	C	Treat thigh fracture					
27246	T	Treat thigh fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27248	C	Treat thigh fracture					
27250	T	Treat hip dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27252	T	Treat hip dislocation	0045	13.47	$700.56	$280.22	$140.11
27253	C	Treat hip dislocation					
27254	C	Treat hip dislocation					
27256	T	Treat hip dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27257	T	Treat hip dislocation	0045	13.47	$700.56	$280.22	$140.11
27258	C	Treat hip dislocation					
27259	C	Treat hip dislocation					
27265	T	Treat hip dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27266	T	Treat hip dislocation	0045	13.47	$700.56	$280.22	$140.11
27275	T	Manipulation of hip joint	0045	13.47	$700.56	$280.22	$140.11
27280	C	Fusion of sacroiliac joint					
27282	C	Fusion of pubic bones					
27284	C	Fusion of hip joint					
27286	C	Fusion of hip joint					
27290	C	Amputation of leg at hip					
27295	C	Amputation of leg at hip					
27299	T	Pelvis/hip joint surgery	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27301	T	Drain thigh/knee lesion	0008	16.32	$848.79		$169.76
27303	C	Drainage of bone lesion					
27305	T	Incise thigh tendon & fascia	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27306	T	Incision of thigh tendon	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27307	T	Incision of thigh tendons	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27310	T	Exploration of knee joint	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27315	T	Partial removal, thigh nerve	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
27320	T	Partial removal, thigh nerve	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
27323	T	Biopsy, thigh soft tissues	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66

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27324	T	Biopsy, thigh soft tissues	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
27327	T	Removal of thigh lesion	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
27328	T	Removal of thigh lesion	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
27329	T	Remove tumor, thigh/knee	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
27330	T	Biopsy, knee joint lining	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27331	T	Explore/treat knee joint	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27332	T	Removal of knee cartilage	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27333	T	Removal of knee cartilage	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27334	T	Remove knee joint lining	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27335	T	Remove knee joint lining	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27340	T	Removal of kneecap bursa	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27345	T	Removal of knee cyst	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27347	T	Remove knee cyst	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27350	T	Removal of kneecap	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27355	T	Remove femur lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27356	T	Remove femur lesion/graft	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27357	T	Remove femur lesion/graft	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27358	T	Remove femur lesion/fixation	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27360	T	Partial removal, leg bone(s)	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27365	C	Extensive leg surgery					
27370	N	Injection for knee x-ray					
27372	T	Removal of foreign body	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
27380	T	Repair of kneecap tendon	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27381	T	Repair/graft kneecap tendon	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27385	T	Repair of thigh muscle	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27386	T	Repair/graft of thigh muscle	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27390	T	Incision of thigh tendon	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27391	T	Incision of thigh tendons	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27392	T	Incision of thigh tendons	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27393	T	Lengthening of thigh tendon	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27394	T	Lengthening of thigh tendons	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27395	T	Lengthening of thigh tendons	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27396	T	Transplant of thigh tendon	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27397	T	Transplants of thigh tendons	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27400	T	Revise thigh muscles/tendons	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27403	T	Repair of knee cartilage	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27405	T	Repair of knee ligament	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27407	T	Repair of knee ligament	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27409	T	Repair of knee ligaments	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27418	T	Repair degenerated kneecap	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27420	T	Revision of unstable kneecap	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27422	T	Revision of unstable kneecap	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27424	T	Revision/removal of kneecap	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27425	T	Lateral retinacular release	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27427	T	Reconstruction, knee	0052	42.37	$2,203.62		$440.72
27428	T	Reconstruction, knee	0052	42.37	$2,203.62		$440.72
27429	T	Reconstruction, knee	0052	42.37	$2,203.62		$440.72
27430	T	Revision of thigh muscles	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27435	T	Incision of knee joint	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27437	T	Revise kneecap	0047	29.59	$1,538.95	$537.03	$307.79
27438	T	Revise kneecap with implant	0048	36.93	$1,920.69	$633.83	$384.14
27440	T	Revision of knee joint	0047	29.59	$1,538.95	$537.03	$307.79
27441	T	Revision of knee joint	0047	29.59	$1,538.95	$537.03	$307.79
27442	T	Revision of knee joint	0047	29.59	$1,538.95	$537.03	$307.79
27443	T	Revision of knee joint	0047	29.59	$1,538.95	$537.03	$307.79
27445	C	Revision of knee joint					
27446	T	Revision of knee joint	0681	158.14	$8,224.70	$3,289.88	$1,644.94
27447	C	Total knee arthroplasty					
27448	C	Incision of thigh					
27450	C	Incision of thigh					
27454	C	Realignment of thigh bone					
27455	C	Realignment of knee					
27457	C	Realignment of knee					
27465	C	Shortening of thigh bone					
27466	C	Lengthening of thigh bone					
27468	C	Shorten/lengthen thighs					

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27470	C	Repair of thigh					
27472	C	Repair/graft of thigh					
27475	C	Surgery to stop leg growth					
27477	C	Surgery to stop leg growth					
27479	C	Surgery to stop leg growth					
27485	C	Surgery to stop leg growth					
27486	C	Revise/replace knee joint					
27487	C	Revise/replace knee joint					
27488	C	Removal of knee prosthesis					
27495	C	Reinforce thigh					
27496	T	Decompression of thigh/knee	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27497	T	Decompression of thigh/knee	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27498	T	Decompression of thigh/knee	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27499	T	Decompression of thigh/knee	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27500	T	Treatment of thigh fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27501	T	Treatment of thigh fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27502	T	Treatment of thigh fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27503	T	Treatment of thigh fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27506	C	Treatment of thigh fracture					
27507	C	Treatment of thigh fracture					
27508	T	Treatment of thigh fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27509	T	Treatment of thigh fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
27510	T	Treatment of thigh fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27511	C	Treatment of thigh fracture					
27513	C	Treatment of thigh fracture					
27514	C	Treatment of thigh fracture					
27516	T	Treat thigh fx growth plate	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27517	T	Treat thigh fx growth plate	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27519	C	Treat thigh fx growth plate					
27520	T	Treat kneecap fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27524	T	Treat kneecap fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
27530	T	Treat knee fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27532	T	Treat knee fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27535	C	Treat knee fracture					
27536	C	Treat knee fracture					
27538	T	Treat knee fracture(s)	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27540	C	Treat knee fracture					
27550	T	Treat knee dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27552	T	Treat knee dislocation	0045	13.47	$700.56	$280.22	$140.11
27556	C	Treat knee dislocation					
27557	C	Treat knee dislocation					
27558	C	Treat knee dislocation					
27560	T	Treat kneecap dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27562	T	Treat kneecap dislocation	0045	13.47	$700.56	$280.22	$140.11
27566	T	Treat kneecap dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
27570	T	Fixation of knee joint	0045	13.47	$700.56	$280.22	$140.11
27580	C	Fusion of knee					
27590	C	Amputate leg at thigh					
27591	C	Amputate leg at thigh					
27592	C	Amputate leg at thigh					
27594	T	Amputation follow-up surgery	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27596	C	Amputation follow-up surgery					
27598	C	Amputate lower leg at knee					
27599	T	Leg surgery procedure	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27600	T	Decompression of lower leg	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27601	T	Decompression of lower leg	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27602	T	Decompression of lower leg	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27603	T	Drain lower leg lesion	0008	16.32	$848.79		$169.76
27604	T	Drain lower leg bursa	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27605	T	Incision of achilles tendon	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
27606	T	Incision of achilles tendon	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27607	T	Treat lower leg bone lesion	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27610	T	Explore/treat ankle joint	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27612	T	Exploration of ankle joint	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27613	T	Biopsy lower leg soft tissue	0020	7.36	$382.79	$114.84	$76.56
27614	T	Biopsy lower leg soft tissue	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27

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27615	T	Remove tumor, lower leg	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
27618	T	Remove lower leg lesion	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
27619	T	Remove lower leg lesion	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
27620	T	Explore/treat ankle joint	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27625	T	Remove ankle joint lining	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27626	T	Remove ankle joint lining	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27630	T	Removal of tendon lesion	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27635	T	Remove lower leg bone lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27637	T	Remove/graft leg bone lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27638	T	Remove/graft leg bone lesion	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27640	T	Partial removal of tibia	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27641	T	Partial removal of fibula	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27645	C	Extensive lower leg surgery					
27646	C	Extensive lower leg surgery					
27647	T	Extensive ankle/heel surgery	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27648	N	Injection for ankle x-ray					
27650	T	Repair achilles tendon	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27652	T	Repair/graft achilles tendon	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27654	T	Repair of achilles tendon	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27656	T	Repair leg fascia defect	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27658	T	Repair of leg tendon, each	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27659	T	Repair of leg tendon, each	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27664	T	Repair of leg tendon, each	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27665	T	Repair of leg tendon, each	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27675	T	Repair lower leg tendons	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27676	T	Repair lower leg tendons	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27680	T	Release of lower leg tendon	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27681	T	Release of lower leg tendons	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27685	T	Revision of lower leg tendon	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27686	T	Revise lower leg tendons	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27687	T	Revision of calf tendon	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27690	T	Revise lower leg tendon	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27691	T	Revise lower leg tendon	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27692	T	Revise additional leg tendon	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27695	T	Repair of ankle ligament	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27696	T	Repair of ankle ligaments	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27698	T	Repair of ankle ligament	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27700	T	Revision of ankle joint	0047	29.59	$1,538.95	$537.03	$307.79
27702	C	Reconstruct ankle joint					
27703	C	Reconstruction, ankle joint					
27704	T	Removal of ankle implant	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27705	T	Incision of tibia	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27707	T	Incision of fibula	0049	19.45	$1,011.58		$202.32
27709	T	Incision of tibia & fibula	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27712	C	Realignment of lower leg					
27715	C	Revision of lower leg					
27720	C	Repair of tibia					
27722	C	Repair/graft of tibia					
27724	C	Repair/graft of tibia					
27725	C	Repair of lower leg					
27727	C	Repair of lower leg					
27730	T	Repair of tibia epiphysis	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27732	T	Repair of fibula epiphysis	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27734	T	Repair lower leg epiphyses	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27740	T	Repair of leg epiphyses	0050	23.60	$1,227.41		$245.48
27742	T	Repair of leg epiphyses	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27745	T	Reinforce tibia	0051	34.03	$1,769.87		$353.97
27750	T	Treatment of tibia fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27752	T	Treatment of tibia fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27756	T	Treatment of tibia fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
27758	T	Treatment of tibia fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
27759	T	Treatment of tibia fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
27760	T	Treatment of ankle fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27762	T	Treatment of ankle fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
27766	T	Treatment of ankle fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
27780	T	Treatment of fibula fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48

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27781	T	Treatment of fibula fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
27784	T	Treatment of fibula fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
27786	T	Treatment of ankle fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
27788	T	Treatment of ankle fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
27792	T	Treatment of ankle fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
27808	T	Treatment of ankle fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
27810	T	Treatment of ankle fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
27814	T	Treatment of ankle fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
27816	T	Treatment of ankle fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
27818	T	Treatment of ankle fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
27822	T	Treatment of ankle fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
27823	T	Treatment of ankle fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
27824	T	Treat lower leg fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
27825	T	Treat lower leg fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
27826	T	Treat lower leg fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
27827	T	Treat lower leg fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
27828	T	Treat lower leg fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
27829	T	Treat lower leg joint	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
27830	T	Treat lower leg dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
27831	T	Treat lower leg dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
27832	T	Treat lower leg dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
27840	T	Treat ankle dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
27842	T	Treat ankle dislocation	0045	13.47	$700.56	$280.22	$140.11
27846	T	Treat ankle dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
27848	T	Treat ankle dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
27860	T	Fixation of ankle joint	0045	13.47	$700.56	$280.22	$140.11
27870	T	Fusion of ankle joint	0051	34.03	$1,769.87	....	$353.97
27871	T	Fusion of tibiofibular joint	0051	34.03	$1,769.87	....	$353.97
27880	C	Amputation of lower leg	....	....	....	....	....
27881	C	Amputation of lower leg	....	....	....	....	....
27882	C	Amputation of lower leg	....	....	....	....	....
27884	T	Amputation follow-up surgery	0049	19.45	$1,011.58	....	$202.32
27886	C	Amputation follow-up surgery	....	....	....	....	....
27888	C	Amputation of foot at ankle	....	....	....	....	....
27889	T	Amputation of foot at ankle	0050	23.60	$1,227.41	....	$245.48
27892	T	Decompression of leg	0049	19.45	$1,011.58	....	$202.32
27893	T	Decompression of leg	0049	19.45	$1,011.58	....	$202.32
27894	T	Decompression of leg	0049	19.45	$1,011.58	....	$202.32
27899	T	Leg/ankle surgery procedure	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
28001	T	Drainage of bursa of foot	0008	16.32	$848.79	....	$169.76
28002	T	Treatment of foot infection	0049	19.45	$1,011.58	....	$202.32
28003	T	Treatment of foot infection	0049	19.45	$1,011.58	....	$202.32
28005	T	Treat foot bone lesion	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28008	T	Incision of foot fascia	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28010	T	Incision of toe tendon	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28011	T	Incision of toe tendons	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28020	T	Exploration of foot joint	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28022	T	Exploration of foot joint	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28024	T	Exploration of toe joint	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28030	T	Removal of foot nerve	0220	16.66	$866.47	....	$173.29
28035	T	Decompression of tibia nerve	0220	16.66	$866.47	....	$173.29
28043	T	Excision of foot lesion	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
28045	T	Excision of foot lesion	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28046	T	Resection of tumor, foot	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28050	T	Biopsy of foot joint lining	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28052	T	Biopsy of foot joint lining	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28054	T	Biopsy of toe joint lining	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28060	T	Partial removal, foot fascia	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28062	T	Removal of foot fascia	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28070	T	Removal of foot joint lining	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28072	T	Removal of foot joint lining	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28080	T	Removal of foot lesion	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28086	T	Excise foot tendon sheath	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28088	T	Excise foot tendon sheath	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28090	T	Removal of foot lesion	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28092	T	Removal of toe lesions	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14

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28100	T	Removal of ankle/heel lesion	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28102	T	Remove/graft foot lesion	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28103	T	Remove/graft foot lesion	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28104	T	Removal of foot lesion	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28106	T	Remove/graft foot lesion	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28107	T	Remove/graft foot lesion	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28108	T	Removal of toe lesions	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28110	T	Part removal of metatarsal	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28111	T	Part removal of metatarsal	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28112	T	Part removal of metatarsal	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28113	T	Part removal of metatarsal	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28114	T	Removal of metatarsal heads	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28116	T	Revision of foot	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28118	T	Removal of heel bone	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28119	T	Removal of heel spur	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28120	T	Part removal of ankle/heel	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28122	T	Partial removal of foot bone	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28124	T	Partial removal of toe	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28126	T	Partial removal of toe	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28130	T	Removal of ankle bone	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28140	T	Removal of metatarsal	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28150	T	Removal of toe	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28153	T	Partial removal of toe	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28160	T	Partial removal of toe	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28171	T	Extensive foot surgery	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28173	T	Extensive foot surgery	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28175	T	Extensive foot surgery	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28190	T	Removal of foot foreign body	0019	3.94	$204.92	$75.82	$40.98
28192	T	Removal of foot foreign body	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
28193	T	Removal of foot foreign body	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
28200	T	Repair of foot tendon	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28202	T	Repair/graft of foot tendon	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28208	T	Repair of foot tendon	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28210	T	Repair/graft of foot tendon	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28220	T	Release of foot tendon	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28222	T	Release of foot tendons	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28225	T	Release of foot tendon	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28226	T	Release of foot tendons	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28230	T	Incision of foot tendon(s)	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28232	T	Incision of toe tendon	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28234	T	Incision of foot tendon	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28238	T	Revision of foot tendon	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28240	T	Release of big toe	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28250	T	Revision of foot fascia	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28260	T	Release of midfoot joint	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28261	T	Revision of foot tendon	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28262	T	Revision of foot and ankle	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28264	T	Release of midfoot joint	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28270	T	Release of foot contracture	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28272	T	Release of toe joint, each	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28280	T	Fusion of toes	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28285	T	Repair of hammertoe	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28286	T	Repair of hammertoe	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28288	T	Partial removal of foot bone	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28289	T	Repair hallux rigidus	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28290	T	Correction of bunion	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28292	T	Correction of bunion	0057	23.87	$1,241.45	$496.58	$248.29
28293	T	Correction of bunion	0057	23.87	$1,241.45	$496.58	$248.29
28294	T	Correction of bunion	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28296	T	Correction of bunion	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28297	T	Correction of bunion	0057	23.87	$1,241.45	$496.58	$248.29
28298	T	Correction of bunion	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28299	T	Correction of bunion	0057	23.87	$1,241.45	$496.58	$248.29
28300	T	Incision of heel bone	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28302	T	Incision of ankle bone	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28304	T	Incision of midfoot bones	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62

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28305	T	Incise/graft midfoot bones	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28306	T	Incision of metatarsal	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28307	T	Incision of metatarsal	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28308	T	Incision of metatarsal	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28309	T	Incision of metatarsals	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28310	T	Revision of big toe	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28312	T	Revision of toe	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28313	T	Repair deformity of toe	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28315	T	Removal of sesamoid bone	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28320	T	Repair of foot bones	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28322	T	Repair of metatarsals	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28340	T	Resect enlarged toe tissue	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28341	T	Resect enlarged toe	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28344	T	Repair extra toe(s)	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28345	T	Repair webbed toe(s)	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28360	T	Reconstruct cleft foot	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28400	T	Treatment of heel fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
28405	T	Treatment of heel fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
28406	T	Treatment of heel fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28415	T	Treat heel fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28420	T	Treat/graft heel fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28430	T	Treatment of ankle fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
28435	T	Treatment of ankle fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
28436	T	Treatment of ankle fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28445	T	Treat ankle fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28450	T	Treat midfoot fracture, each	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
28455	T	Treat midfoot fracture, each	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
28456	T	Treat midfoot fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28465	T	Treat midfoot fracture, each	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28470	T	Treat metatarsal fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
28475	T	Treat metatarsal fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
28476	T	Treat metatarsal fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28485	T	Treat metatarsal fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28490	T	Treat big toe fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
28495	T	Treat big toe fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
28496	T	Treat big toe fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28505	T	Treat big toe fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28510	T	Treatment of toe fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
28515	T	Treatment of toe fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
28525	T	Treat toe fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28530	T	Treat sesamoid bone fracture	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
28531	T	Treat sesamoid bone fracture	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28540	T	Treat foot dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
28545	T	Treat foot dislocation	0045	13.47	$700.56	$280.22	$140.11
28546	T	Treat foot dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28555	T	Repair foot dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28570	T	Treat foot dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
28575	T	Treat foot dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
28576	T	Treat foot dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28585	T	Repair foot dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28600	T	Treat foot dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
28605	T	Treat foot dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
28606	T	Treat foot dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28615	T	Repair foot dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28630	T	Treat toe dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
28635	T	Treat toe dislocation	0045	13.47	$700.56	$280.22	$140.11
28636	T	Treat toe dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28645	T	Repair toe dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28660	T	Treat toe dislocation	0043	1.68	$87.38	....	$17.48
28665	T	Treat toe dislocation	0045	13.47	$700.56	$280.22	$140.11
28666	T	Treat toe dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28675	T	Repair of toe dislocation	0046	29.03	$1,509.82	$535.76	$301.96
28705	T	Fusion of foot bones	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28715	T	Fusion of foot bones	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28725	T	Fusion of foot bones	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28730	T	Fusion of foot bones	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62

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28735	T	Fusion of foot bones	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28737	T	Revision of foot bones	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28740	T	Fusion of foot bones	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28750	T	Fusion of big toe joint	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28755	T	Fusion of big toe joint	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28760	T	Fusion of big toe joint	0056	22.94	$1,193.09	$405.81	$238.62
28800	C	Amputation of midfoot					
28805	C	Amputation thru metatarsal					
28810	T	Amputation toe & metatarsal	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28820	T	Amputation of toe	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28825	T	Partial amputation of toe	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
28899	T	Foot/toes surgery procedure	0043	1.68	$87.38		$17.48
29000	S	Application of body cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29010	S	Application of body cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29015	S	Application of body cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29020	S	Application of body cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29025	S	Application of body cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29035	S	Application of body cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29040	S	Application of body cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29044	S	Application of body cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29046	S	Application of body cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29049	S	Application of figure eight	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29055	S	Application of shoulder cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29058	S	Application of shoulder cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29065	S	Application of long arm cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29075	S	Application of forearm cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29085	S	Apply hand/wrist cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29086	S	Apply finger cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29105	S	Apply long arm splint	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29125	S	Apply forearm splint	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29126	S	Apply forearm splint	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29130	S	Application of finger splint	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29131	S	Application of finger splint	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29200	S	Strapping of chest	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29220	S	Strapping of low back	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29240	S	Strapping of shoulder	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29260	S	Strapping of elbow or wrist	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29280	S	Strapping of hand or finger	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29305	S	Application of hip cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29325	S	Application of hip casts	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29345	S	Application of long leg cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29355	S	Application of long leg cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29358	S	Apply long leg cast brace	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29365	S	Application of long leg cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29405	S	Apply short leg cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29425	S	Apply short leg cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29435	S	Apply short leg cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29440	S	Addition of walker to cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29445	S	Apply rigid leg cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29450	S	Application of leg cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29505	S	Application, long leg splint	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29515	S	Application lower leg splint	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29520	S	Strapping of hip	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29530	S	Strapping of knee	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29540	S	Strapping of ankle	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29550	S	Strapping of toes	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29580	S	Application of paste boot	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29590	S	Application of foot splint	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29700	S	Removal/revision of cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29705	S	Removal/revision of cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29710	S	Removal/revision of cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29715	S	Removal/revision of cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29720	S	Repair of body cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29730	S	Windowing of cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29740	S	Wedging of cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29750	S	Wedging of clubfoot cast	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34

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29799	S	Casting/strapping procedure	0058	1.09	$56.69	$14.74	$11.34
29800	T	Jaw arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29804	T	Jaw arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29805	T	Shoulder arthroscopy, dx	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29806	T	Shoulder arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29807	T	Shoulder arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29819	T	Shoulder arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29820	T	Shoulder arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29821	T	Shoulder arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29822	T	Shoulder arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29823	T	Shoulder arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29824	T	Shoulder arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29825	T	Shoulder arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29826	T	Shoulder arthroscopy/surgery	0042	43.24	$2,248.87	$804.74	$449.77
29830	T	Elbow arthroscopy	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29834	T	Elbow arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29835	T	Elbow arthroscopy/surgery	0042	43.24	$2,248.87	$804.74	$449.77
29836	T	Elbow arthroscopy/surgery	0042	43.24	$2,248.87	$804.74	$449.77
29837	T	Elbow arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29838	T	Elbow arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29840	T	Wrist arthroscopy	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29843	T	Wrist arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29844	T	Wrist arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29845	T	Wrist arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29846	T	Wrist arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29847	T	Wrist arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29848	T	Wrist endoscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29850	T	Knee arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29851	T	Knee arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29855	T	Tibial arthroscopy/surgery	0042	43.24	$2,248.87	$804.74	$449.77
29856	T	Tibial arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29860	T	Hip arthroscopy, dx	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29861	T	Hip arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29862	T	Hip arthroscopy/surgery	0042	43.24	$2,248.87	$804.74	$449.77
29863	T	Hip arthroscopy/surgery	0042	43.24	$2,248.87	$804.74	$449.77
29870	T	Knee arthroscopy, dx	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29871	T	Knee arthroscopy/drainage	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29874	T	Knee arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29875	T	Knee arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29876	T	Knee arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29877	T	Knee arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29879	T	Knee arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29880	T	Knee arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29881	T	Knee arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29882	T	Knee arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29883	T	Knee arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29884	T	Knee arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29885	T	Knee arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29886	T	Knee arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29887	T	Knee arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29888	T	Knee arthroscopy/surgery	0042	43.24	$2,248.87	$804.74	$449.77
29889	T	Knee arthroscopy/surgery	0042	43.24	$2,248.87	$804.74	$449.77
29891	T	Ankle arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29892	T	Ankle arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29893	T	Scope, plantar fasciotomy	0055	18.28	$950.72	$355.34	$190.14
29894	T	Ankle arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29895	T	Ankle arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29897	T	Ankle arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29898	T	Ankle arthroscopy/surgery	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
29900	T	Mcp joint arthroscopy, dx	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
29901	T	Mcp joint arthroscopy, surg	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
29902	T	Mcp joint arthroscopy, surg	0053	14.76	$767.65	$253.49	$153.53
29999	T	Arthroscopy of joint	0041	27.58	$1,434.41	$580.06	$286.88
30000	T	Drainage of nose lesion	0251	1.92	$99.86	....	$19.97
30020	T	Drainage of nose lesion	0251	1.92	$99.86	....	$19.97
30100	T	Intranasal biopsy	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22

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30110	T	Removal of nose polyp(s)	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
30115	T	Removal of nose polyp(s)	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
30117	T	Removal of intranasal lesion	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
30118	T	Removal of intranasal lesion	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
30120	T	Revision of nose	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
30124	T	Removal of nose lesion	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
30125	T	Removal of nose lesion	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
30130	T	Removal of turbinate bones	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
30140	T	Removal of turbinate bones	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
30150	T	Partial removal of nose	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
30160	T	Removal of nose	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
30200	T	Injection treatment of nose	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
30210	T	Nasal sinus therapy	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
30220	T	Insert nasal septal button	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
30300	X	Remove nasal foreign body	0340	0.66	$34.33		$6.87
30310	T	Remove nasal foreign body	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
30320	T	Remove nasal foreign body	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
30400	T	Reconstruction of nose	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
30410	T	Reconstruction of nose	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
30420	T	Reconstruction of nose	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
30430	T	Revision of nose	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
30435	T	Revision of nose	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
30450	T	Revision of nose	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
30460	T	Revision of nose	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
30462	T	Revision of nose	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
30465	T	Repair nasal stenosis	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
30520	T	Repair of nasal septum	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
30540	T	Repair nasal defect	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
30545	T	Repair nasal defect	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
30560	T	Release of nasal adhesions	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
30580	T	Repair upper jaw fistula	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
30600	T	Repair mouth/nose fistula	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
30620	T	Intranasal reconstruction	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
30630	T	Repair nasal septum defect	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
30801	T	Cauterization, inner nose	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
30802	T	Cauterization, inner nose	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
30901	T	Control of nosebleed	0250	1.68	$87.38	$30.58	$17.48
30903	T	Control of nosebleed	0250	1.68	$87.38	$30.58	$17.48
30905	T	Control of nosebleed	0250	1.68	$87.38	$30.58	$17.48
30906	T	Repeat control of nosebleed	0250	1.68	$87.38	$30.58	$17.48
30915	T	Ligation, nasal sinus artery	0091	27.03	$1,405.80	$348.23	$281.16
30920	T	Ligation, upper jaw artery	0092	24.97	$1,298.66	$505.37	$259.73
30930	T	Therapy, fracture of nose	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
30999	T	Nasal surgery procedure	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
31000	T	Irrigation, maxillary sinus	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
31002	T	Irrigation, sphenoid sinus	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
31020	T	Exploration, maxillary sinus	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
31030	T	Exploration, maxillary sinus	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
31032	T	Explore sinus,remove polyps	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
31040	T	Exploration behind upper jaw	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
31050	T	Exploration, sphenoid sinus	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
31051	T	Sphenoid sinus surgery	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
31070	T	Exploration of frontal sinus	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
31075	T	Exploration of frontal sinus	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
31080	T	Removal of frontal sinus	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
31081	T	Removal of frontal sinus	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
31084	T	Removal of frontal sinus	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
31085	T	Removal of frontal sinus	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
31086	T	Removal of frontal sinus	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
31087	T	Removal of frontal sinus	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
31090	T	Exploration of sinuses	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
31200	T	Removal of ethmoid sinus	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
31201	T	Removal of ethmoid sinus	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
31205	T	Removal of ethmoid sinus	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
31225	C	Removal of upper jaw					
31230	C	Removal of upper jaw					

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31231	T	Nasal endoscopy, dx	0071	1.01	$52.53	$14.18	$10.51
31233	T	Nasal/sinus endoscopy, dx	0072	1.66	$86.33	$37.99	$17.27
31235	T	Nasal/sinus endoscopy, dx	0074	12.84	$667.80	$295.70	$133.56
31237	T	Nasal/sinus endoscopy, surg	0075	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
31238	T	Nasal/sinus endoscopy, surg	0074	12.84	$667.80	$295.70	$133.56
31239	T	Nasal/sinus endoscopy, surg	0075	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
31240	T	Nasal/sinus endoscopy, surg	0074	12.84	$667.80	$295.70	$133.56
31254	T	Revision of ethmoid sinus	0075	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
31255	T	Removal of ethmoid sinus	0075	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
31256	T	Exploration maxillary sinus	0075	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
31267	T	Endoscopy, maxillary sinus	0075	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
31276	T	Sinus endoscopy, surgical	0075	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
31287	T	Nasal/sinus endoscopy, surg	0075	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
31288	T	Nasal/sinus endoscopy, surg	0075	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
31290	C	Nasal/sinus endoscopy, surg	....	....	....	....	....
31291	C	Nasal/sinus endoscopy, surg	....	....	....	....	....
31292	C	Nasal/sinus endoscopy, surg	....	....	....	....	....
31293	C	Nasal/sinus endoscopy, surg	....	....	....	....	....
31294	C	Nasal/sinus endoscopy, surg	....	....	....	....	....
31299	T	Sinus surgery procedure	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
31300	T	Removal of larynx lesion	0256	35.51	$1,846.84	....	$369.37
31320	T	Diagnostic incision, larynx	0256	35.51	$1,846.84	....	$369.37
31360	C	Removal of larynx	....	....	....	....	....
31365	C	Removal of larynx	....	....	....	....	....
31367	C	Partial removal of larynx	....	....	....	....	....
31368	C	Partial removal of larynx	....	....	....	....	....
31370	C	Partial removal of larynx	....	....	....	....	....
31375	C	Partial removal of larynx	....	....	....	....	....
31380	C	Partial removal of larynx	....	....	....	....	....
31382	C	Partial removal of larynx	....	....	....	....	....
31390	C	Removal of larynx & pharynx	....	....	....	....	....
31395	C	Reconstruct larynx & pharynx	....	....	....	....	....
31400	T	Revision of larynx	0256	35.51	$1,846.84	....	$369.37
31420	T	Removal of epiglottis	0256	35.51	$1,846.84	....	$369.37
31500	S	Insert emergency airway	0094	2.68	$139.38	$47.39	$27.88
31502	T	Change of windpipe airway	0121	2.17	$112.86	$45.14	$22.57
31505	T	Diagnostic laryngoscopy	0072	1.66	$86.33	$37.99	$17.27
31510	T	Laryngoscopy with biopsy	0074	12.84	$667.80	$295.70	$133.56
31511	T	Remove foreign body, larynx	0072	1.66	$86.33	$37.99	$17.27
31512	T	Removal of larynx lesion	0074	12.84	$667.80	$295.70	$133.56
31513	T	Injection into vocal cord	0072	1.66	$86.33	$37.99	$17.27
31515	T	Laryngoscopy for aspiration	0074	12.84	$667.80	$295.70	$133.56
31520	T	Diagnostic laryngoscopy	0072	1.66	$86.33	$37.99	$17.27
31525	T	Diagnostic laryngoscopy	0074	12.84	$667.80	$295.70	$133.56
31526	T	Diagnostic laryngoscopy	0075	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
31527	T	Laryngoscopy for treatment	0075	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
31528	T	Laryngoscopy and dilation	0074	12.84	$667.80	$295.70	$133.56
31529	T	Laryngoscopy and dilation	0074	12.84	$667.80	$295.70	$133.56
31530	T	Operative laryngoscopy	0075	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
31531	T	Operative laryngoscopy	0075	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
31535	T	Operative laryngoscopy	0075	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
31536	T	Operative laryngoscopy	0075	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
31540	T	Operative laryngoscopy	0075	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
31541	T	Operative laryngoscopy	0075	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
31560	T	Operative laryngoscopy	0075	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
31561	T	Operative laryngoscopy	0075	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
31570	T	Laryngoscopy with injection	0074	12.84	$667.80	$295.70	$133.56
31571	T	Laryngoscopy with injection	0075	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
31575	T	Diagnostic laryngoscopy	0071	1.01	$52.53	$14.18	$10.51
31576	T	Laryngoscopy with biopsy	0075	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
31577	T	Remove foreign body, larynx	0073	3.63	$188.79	$74.14	$37.76
31578	T	Removal of larynx lesion	0075	20.41	$1,061.50	$445.92	$212.30
31579	T	Diagnostic laryngoscopy	0073	3.63	$188.79	$74.14	$37.76
31580	T	Revision of larynx	0256	35.51	$1,846.84	....	$369.37
31582	T	Revision of larynx	0256	35.51	$1,846.84	....	$369.37
31584	C	Treat larynx fracture	....	....	....	....	....

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31585	T	Treat larynx fracture	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
31586	T	Treat larynx fracture	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
31587	C	Revision of larynx					
31588	T	Revision of larynx	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
31590	T	Reinnervate larynx	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
31595	T	Larynx nerve surgery	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
31599	T	Larynx surgery procedure	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
31600	T	Incision of windpipe	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
31601	T	Incision of windpipe	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
31603	T	Incision of windpipe	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
31605	T	Incision of windpipe	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
31610	T	Incision of windpipe	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
31611	T	Surgery/speech prosthesis	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
31612	T	Puncture/clear windpipe	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
31613	T	Repair windpipe opening	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
31614	T	Repair windpipe opening	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
31615	T	Visualization of windpipe	0076	9.30	$483.68	$189.92	$96.74
31622	T	Dx bronchoscope/wash	0076	9.30	$483.68	$189.92	$96.74
31623	T	Dx bronchoscope/brush	0076	9.30	$483.68	$189.92	$96.74
31624	T	Dx bronchoscope/lavage	0076	9.30	$483.68	$189.92	$96.74
31625	T	Bronchoscopy with biopsy	0076	9.30	$483.68	$189.92	$96.74
31628	T	Bronchoscopy with biopsy	0076	9.30	$483.68	$189.92	$96.74
31629	T	Bronchoscopy with biopsy	0076	9.30	$483.68	$189.92	$96.74
31630	T	Bronchoscopy with repair	0076	9.30	$483.68	$189.92	$96.74
31631	T	Bronchoscopy with dilation	0076	9.30	$483.68	$189.92	$96.74
31635	T	Remove foreign body, airway	0076	9.30	$483.68	$189.92	$96.74
31640	T	Bronchoscopy & remove lesion	0076	9.30	$483.68	$189.92	$96.74
31641	T	Bronchoscopy, treat blockage	0076	9.30	$483.68	$189.92	$96.74
31643	T	Diag bronchoscope/catheter	0076	9.30	$483.68	$189.92	$96.74
31645	T	Bronchoscopy, clear airways	0076	9.30	$483.68	$189.92	$96.74
31646	T	Bronchoscopy, reclear airway	0076	9.30	$483.68	$189.92	$96.74
31656	T	Bronchoscopy, inj for xray	0076	9.30	$483.68	$189.92	$96.74
31700	T	Insertion of airway catheter	0072	1.66	$86.33	$37.99	$17.27
31708	N	Instill airway contrast dye					
31710	N	Insertion of airway catheter					
31715	N	Injection for bronchus x-ray					
31717	T	Bronchial brush biopsy	0073	3.63	$188.79	$74.14	$37.76
31720	T	Clearance of airways	0072	1.66	$86.33	$37.99	$17.27
31725	C	Clearance of airways					
31730	T	Intro, windpipe wire/tube	0073	3.63	$188.79	$74.14	$37.76
31750	T	Repair of windpipe	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
31755	T	Repair of windpipe	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
31760	C	Repair of windpipe					
31766	C	Reconstruction of windpipe					
31770	C	Repair/graft of bronchus					
31775	C	Reconstruct bronchus					
31780	C	Reconstruct windpipe					
31781	C	Reconstruct windpipe					
31785	T	Remove windpipe lesion	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
31786	C	Remove windpipe lesion					
31800	C	Repair of windpipe injury					
31805	C	Repair of windpipe injury					
31820	T	Closure of windpipe lesion	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
31825	T	Repair of windpipe defect	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
31830	T	Revise windpipe scar	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
31899	T	Airways surgical procedure	0076	9.30	$483.68	$189.92	$96.74
32000	T	Drainage of chest	0070	3.30	$171.63		$34.33
32002	T	Treatment of collapsed lung	0070	3.30	$171.63		$34.33
32005	T	Treat lung lining chemically	0070	3.30	$171.63		$34.33
32020	T	Insertion of chest tube	0070	3.30	$171.63		$34.33
32035	C	Exploration of chest					
32036	C	Exploration of chest					
32095	C	Biopsy through chest wall					
32100	C	Exploration/biopsy of chest					
32110	C	Explore/repair chest					
32120	C	Re-exploration of chest					

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32124	C	Explore chest free adhesions					
32140	C	Removal of lung lesion(s)					
32141	C	Remove/treat lung lesions					
32150	C	Removal of lung lesion(s)					
32151	C	Remove lung foreign body					
32160	C	Open chest heart massage					
32200	C	Drain, open, lung lesion					
32201	T	Drain, percut, lung lesion	0070	3.30	$171.63		$34.33
32215	C	Treat chest lining					
32220	C	Release of lung					
32225	C	Partial release of lung					
32310	C	Removal of chest lining					
32320	C	Free/remove chest lining					
32400	T	Needle biopsy chest lining	0005	3.02	$157.07	$69.11	$31.41
32402	C	Open biopsy chest lining					
32405	T	Biopsy, lung or mediastinum	0685	4.47	$232.48	$102.29	$46.50
32420	T	Puncture/clear lung	0070	3.30	$171.63		$34.33
32440	C	Removal of lung					
32442	C	Sleeve pneumonectomy					
32445	C	Removal of lung					
32480	C	Partial removal of lung					
32482	C	Bilobectomy					
32484	C	Segmentectomy					
32486	C	Sleeve lobectomy					
32488	C	Completion pneumonectomy					
32491	C	Lung volume reduction					
32500	C	Partial removal of lung					
32501	C	Repair bronchus add-on					
32520	C	Remove lung & revise chest					
32522	C	Remove lung & revise chest					
32525	C	Remove lung & revise chest					
32540	C	Removal of lung lesion					
32601	T	Thoracoscopy, diagnostic	0069	29.51	$1,534.79	$591.64	$306.96
32602	T	Thoracoscopy, diagnostic	0069	29.51	$1,534.79	$591.64	$306.96
32603	T	Thoracoscopy, diagnostic	0069	29.51	$1,534.79	$591.64	$306.96
32604	T	Thoracoscopy, diagnostic	0069	29.51	$1,534.79	$591.64	$306.96
32605	T	Thoracoscopy, diagnostic	0069	29.51	$1,534.79	$591.64	$306.96
32606	T	Thoracoscopy, diagnostic	0069	29.51	$1,534.79	$591.64	$306.96
32650	C	Thoracoscopy, surgical					
32651	C	Thoracoscopy, surgical					
32652	C	Thoracoscopy, surgical					
32653	C	Thoracoscopy, surgical					
32654	C	Thoracoscopy, surgical					
32655	C	Thoracoscopy, surgical					
32656	C	Thoracoscopy, surgical					
32657	C	Thoracoscopy, surgical					
32658	C	Thoracoscopy, surgical					
32659	C	Thoracoscopy, surgical					
32660	C	Thoracoscopy, surgical					
32661	C	Thoracoscopy, surgical					
32662	C	Thoracoscopy, surgical					
32663	C	Thoracoscopy, surgical					
32664	C	Thoracoscopy, surgical					
32665	C	Thoracoscopy, surgical					
32800	C	Repair lung hernia					
32810	C	Close chest after drainage					
32815	C	Close bronchial fistula					
32820	C	Reconstruct injured chest					
32850	C	Donor pneumonectomy					
32851	C	Lung transplant, single					
32852	C	Lung transplant with bypass					
32853	C	Lung transplant, double					
32854	C	Lung transplant with bypass					
32900	C	Removal of rib(s)					
32905	C	Revise & repair chest wall					
32906	C	Revise & repair chest wall					

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32940	C	Revision of lung					
32960	T	Therapeutic pneumothorax	0070	3.30	$171.63		$34.33
32997	C	Total lung lavage					
32999	T	Chest surgery procedure	0070	3.30	$171.63		$34.33
33010	T	Drainage of heart sac	0070	3.30	$171.63		$34.33
33011	T	Repeat drainage of heart sac	0070	3.30	$171.63		$34.33
33015	C	Incision of heart sac					
33020	C	Incision of heart sac					
33025	C	Incision of heart sac					
33030	C	Partial removal of heart sac					
33031	C	Partial removal of heart sac					
33050	C	Removal of heart sac lesion					
33120	C	Removal of heart lesion					
33130	C	Removal of heart lesion					
33140	C	Heart revascularize (tmr)					
33141	C	Heart tmr w/other procedure					
33200	C	Insertion of heart pacemaker					
33201	C	Insertion of heart pacemaker					
33206	T	Insertion of heart pacemaker	0089	108.92	$5,664.82	$1,642.80	$1,132.96
33207	T	Insertion of heart pacemaker	0089	108.92	$5,664.82	$1,642.80	$1,132.96
33208	T	Insertion of heart pacemaker	0089	108.92	$5,664.82	$1,642.80	$1,132.96
33210	T	Insertion of heart electrode	0106	29.23	$1,520.22	$410.46	$304.04
33211	T	Insertion of heart electrode	0106	29.23	$1,520.22	$410.46	$304.04
33212	T	Insertion of pulse generator	0090	77.15	$4,012.49	$1,444.50	$802.50
33213	T	Insertion of pulse generator	0090	77.15	$4,012.49	$1,444.50	$802.50
33214	T	Upgrade of pacemaker system	0089	108.92	$5,664.82	$1,642.80	$1,132.96
33216	T	Revise eltrd pacing-defib	0106	29.23	$1,520.22	$410.46	$304.04
33217	T	Revise eltrd pacing-defib	0106	29.23	$1,520.22	$410.46	$304.04
33218	T	Revise eltrd pacing-defib	0106	29.23	$1,520.22	$410.46	$304.04
33220	T	Revise eltrd pacing-defib	0106	29.23	$1,520.22	$410.46	$304.04
33222	T	Revise pocket, pacemaker	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
33223	T	Revise pocket, pacing-defib	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
33233	T	Removal of pacemaker system	0105	19.14	$995.45	$370.40	$199.09
33234	T	Removal of pacemaker system	0105	19.14	$995.45	$370.40	$199.09
33235	T	Removal pacemaker electrode	0105	19.14	$995.45	$370.40	$199.09
33236	C	Remove electrode/thoracotomy					
33237	C	Remove electrode/thoracotomy					
33238	C	Remove electrode/thoracotomy					
33240	T	Insert pulse generator	0107	181.51	$9,440.15	$2,076.83	$1,888.03
33241	T	Remove pulse generator	0105	19.14	$995.45	$370.40	$199.09
33243	C	Remove eltrd/thoracotomy					
33244	T	Remove eltrd, transven	0105	19.14	$995.45	$370.40	$199.09
33245	C	Insert epic eltrd pace-defib					
33246	C	Insert epic eltrd/generator					
33249	T	Eltrd/insert pace-defib	0108	232.69	$12,101.97		$2,420.39
33250	C	Ablate heart dysrhythm focus					
33251	C	Ablate heart dysrhythm focus					
33253	C	Reconstruct atria					
33261	C	Ablate heart dysrhythm focus					
33282	S	Implant pat-active ht record	0680	51.95	$2,701.87		$540.37
33284	T	Remove pat-active ht record	0109	7.68	$399.43	$131.49	$79.89
33300	C	Repair of heart wound					
33305	C	Repair of heart wound					
33310	C	Exploratory heart surgery					
33315	C	Exploratory heart surgery					
33320	C	Repair major blood vessel(s)					
33321	C	Repair major vessel					
33322	C	Repair major blood vessel(s)					
33330	C	Insert major vessel graft					
33332	C	Insert major vessel graft					
33335	C	Insert major vessel graft					
33400	C	Repair of aortic valve					
33401	C	Valvuloplasty, open					
33403	C	Valvuloplasty, w/cp bypass					
33404	C	Prepare heart-aorta conduit					
33405	C	Replacement of aortic valve					

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33406	C	Replacement of aortic valve					
33410	C	Replacement of aortic valve					
33411	C	Replacement of aortic valve					
33412	C	Replacement of aortic valve					
33413	C	Replacement of aortic valve					
33414	C	Repair of aortic valve					
33415	C	Revision, subvalvular tissue					
33416	C	Revise ventricle muscle					
33417	C	Repair of aortic valve					
33420	C	Revision of mitral valve					
33422	C	Revision of mitral valve					
33425	C	Repair of mitral valve					
33426	C	Repair of mitral valve					
33427	C	Repair of mitral valve					
33430	C	Replacement of mitral valve					
33460	C	Revision of tricuspid valve					
33463	C	Valvuloplasty, tricuspid					
33464	C	Valvuloplasty, tricuspid					
33465	C	Replace tricuspid valve					
33468	C	Revision of tricuspid valve					
33470	C	Revision of pulmonary valve					
33471	C	Valvotomy, pulmonary valve					
33472	C	Revision of pulmonary valve					
33474	C	Revision of pulmonary valve					
33475	C	Replacement, pulmonary valve					
33476	C	Revision of heart chamber					
33478	C	Revision of heart chamber					
33496	C	Repair, prosth valve clot					
33500	C	Repair heart vessel fistula					
33501	C	Repair heart vessel fistula					
33502	C	Coronary artery correction					
33503	C	Coronary artery graft					
33504	C	Coronary artery graft					
33505	C	Repair artery w/tunnel					
33506	C	Repair artery, translocation					
33510	C	CABG, vein, single					
33511	C	CABG, vein, two					
33512	C	CABG, vein, three					
33513	C	CABG, vein, four					
33514	C	CABG, vein, five					
33516	C	Cabg, vein, six or more					
33517	C	CABG, artery-vein, single					
33518	C	CABG, artery-vein, two					
33519	C	CABG, artery-vein, three					
33521	C	CABG, artery-vein, four					
33522	C	CABG, artery-vein, five					
33523	C	Cabg, art-vein, six or more					
33530	C	Coronary artery, bypass/reop					
33533	C	CABG, arterial, single					
33534	C	CABG, arterial, two					
33535	C	CABG, arterial, three					
33536	C	Cabg, arterial, four or more					
33542	C	Removal of heart lesion					
33545	C	Repair of heart damage					
33572	C	Open coronary endarterectomy					
33600	C	Closure of valve					
33602	C	Closure of valve					
33606	C	Anastomosis/artery-aorta					
33608	C	Repair anomaly w/conduit					
33610	C	Repair by enlargement					
33611	C	Repair double ventricle					
33612	C	Repair double ventricle					
33615	C	Repair, modified fontan					
33617	C	Repair single ventricle					
33619	C	Repair single ventricle					
33641	C	Repair heart septum defect					

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33645	C	Revision of heart veins					
33647	C	Repair heart septum defects					
33660	C	Repair of heart defects					
33665	C	Repair of heart defects					
33670	C	Repair of heart chambers					
33681	C	Repair heart septum defect					
33684	C	Repair heart septum defect					
33688	C	Repair heart septum defect					
33690	C	Reinforce pulmonary artery					
33692	C	Repair of heart defects					
33694	C	Repair of heart defects					
33697	C	Repair of heart defects					
33702	C	Repair of heart defects					
33710	C	Repair of heart defects					
33720	C	Repair of heart defect					
33722	C	Repair of heart defect					
33730	C	Repair heart-vein defect(s)					
33732	C	Repair heart-vein defect					
33735	C	Revision of heart chamber					
33736	C	Revision of heart chamber					
33737	C	Revision of heart chamber					
33750	C	Major vessel shunt					
33755	C	Major vessel shunt					
33762	C	Major vessel shunt					
33764	C	Major vessel shunt & graft					
33766	C	Major vessel shunt					
33767	C	Major vessel shunt					
33770	C	Repair great vessels defect					
33771	C	Repair great vessels defect					
33774	C	Repair great vessels defect					
33775	C	Repair great vessels defect					
33776	C	Repair great vessels defect					
33777	C	Repair great vessels defect					
33778	C	Repair great vessels defect					
33779	C	Repair great vessels defect					
33780	C	Repair great vessels defect					
33781	C	Repair great vessels defect					
33786	C	Repair arterial trunk					
33788	C	Revision of pulmonary artery					
33800	C	Aortic suspension					
33802	C	Repair vessel defect					
33803	C	Repair vessel defect					
33813	C	Repair septal defect					
33814	C	Repair septal defect					
33820	C	Revise major vessel					
33822	C	Revise major vessel					
33824	C	Revise major vessel					
33840	C	Remove aorta constriction					
33845	C	Remove aorta constriction					
33851	C	Remove aorta constriction					
33852	C	Repair septal defect					
33853	C	Repair septal defect					
33860	C	Ascending aortic graft					
33861	C	Ascending aortic graft					
33863	C	Ascending aortic graft					
33870	C	Transverse aortic arch graft					
33875	C	Thoracic aortic graft					
33877	C	Thoracoabdominal graft					
33910	C	Remove lung artery emboli					
33915	C	Remove lung artery emboli					
33916	C	Surgery of great vessel					
33917	C	Repair pulmonary artery					
33918	C	Repair pulmonary atresia					
33919	C	Repair pulmonary atresia					
33920	C	Repair pulmonary atresia					
33922	C	Transect pulmonary artery					

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33924	C	Remove pulmonary shunt					
33930	C	Removal of donor heart/lung					
33935	C	Transplantation, heart/lung					
33940	C	Removal of donor heart					
33945	C	Transplantation of heart					
33960	C	External circulation assist					
33961	C	External circulation assist					
33967	C	Insert ia percut device					
33968	C	Remove aortic assist device					
33970	C	Aortic circulation assist					
33971	C	Aortic circulation assist					
33973	C	Insert balloon device					
33974	C	Remove intra-aortic balloon					
33975	C	Implant ventricular device					
33976	C	Implant ventricular device					
33977	C	Remove ventricular device					
33978	C	Remove ventricular device					
33979	C	Insert intracorporeal device					
33980	C	Remove intracorporeal device					
33999	T	Cardiac surgery procedure	0070	3.30	$171.63		$34.33
34001	C	Removal of artery clot					
34051	C	Removal of artery clot					
34101	T	Removal of artery clot	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
34111	T	Removal of arm artery clot	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
34151	C	Removal of artery clot					
34201	T	Removal of artery clot	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
34203	T	Removal of leg artery clot	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
34401	C	Removal of vein clot					
34421	T	Removal of vein clot	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
34451	C	Removal of vein clot					
34471	T	Removal of vein clot	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
34490	T	Removal of vein clot	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
34501	T	Repair valve, femoral vein	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
34502	C	Reconstruct vena cava					
34510	T	Transposition of vein valve	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
34520	T	Cross-over vein graft	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
34530	T	Leg vein fusion	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
34800	C	Endovasc abdo repair w/tube					
34802	C	Endovasc abdo repr w/device					
34804	C	Endovasc abdo repr w/device					
34808	C	Endovasc abdo occlud device					
34812	C	Xpose for endoprosth, aortic					
34813	C	Xpose for endoprosth, femorl					
34820	C	Xpose for endoprosth, iliac					
34825	C	Endovasc extend prosth, init					
34826	C	Endovasc exten prosth, addl					
34830	C	Open aortic tube prosth repr					
34831	C	Open aortoiliac prosth repr					
34832	C	Open aortofemor prosth repr					
35001	C	Repair defect of artery					
35002	C	Repair artery rupture, neck					
35005	C	Repair defect of artery					
35011	T	Repair defect of artery	0093	26.29	$1,367.32	$277.34	$273.46
35013	C	Repair artery rupture, arm					
35021	C	Repair defect of artery					
35022	C	Repair artery rupture, chest					
35045	C	Repair defect of arm artery					
35081	C	Repair defect of artery					
35082	C	Repair artery rupture, aorta					
35091	C	Repair defect of artery					
35092	C	Repair artery rupture, aorta					
35102	C	Repair defect of artery					
35103	C	Repair artery rupture, groin					
35111	C	Repair defect of artery					
35112	C	Repair artery rupture,spleen					
35121	C	Repair defect of artery					

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35122	C	Repair artery rupture, belly					
35131	C	Repair defect of artery					
35132	C	Repair artery rupture, groin					
35141	C	Repair defect of artery					
35142	C	Repair artery rupture, thigh					
35151	C	Repair defect of artery					
35152	C	Repair artery rupture, knee					
35161	C	Repair defect of artery					
35162	C	Repair artery rupture					
35180	T	Repair blood vessel lesion	0093	26.29	$1,367.32	$277.34	$273.46
35182	C	Repair blood vessel lesion					
35184	T	Repair blood vessel lesion	0093	26.29	$1,367.32	$277.34	$273.46
35188	T	Repair blood vessel lesion	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
35189	C	Repair blood vessel lesion					
35190	T	Repair blood vessel lesion	0093	26.29	$1,367.32	$277.34	$273.46
35201	T	Repair blood vessel lesion	0093	26.29	$1,367.32	$277.34	$273.46
35206	T	Repair blood vessel lesion	0093	26.29	$1,367.32	$277.34	$273.46
35207	T	Repair blood vessel lesion	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
35211	C	Repair blood vessel lesion					
35216	C	Repair blood vessel lesion					
35221	C	Repair blood vessel lesion					
35226	T	Repair blood vessel lesion	0093	26.29	$1,367.32	$277.34	$273.46
35231	T	Repair blood vessel lesion	0093	26.29	$1,367.32	$277.34	$273.46
35236	T	Repair blood vessel lesion	0093	26.29	$1,367.32	$277.34	$273.46
35241	C	Repair blood vessel lesion					
35246	C	Repair blood vessel lesion					
35251	C	Repair blood vessel lesion					
35256	T	Repair blood vessel lesion	0093	26.29	$1,367.32	$277.34	$273.46
35261	T	Repair blood vessel lesion	0093	26.29	$1,367.32	$277.34	$273.46
35266	T	Repair blood vessel lesion	0093	26.29	$1,367.32	$277.34	$273.46
35271	C	Repair blood vessel lesion					
35276	C	Repair blood vessel lesion					
35281	C	Repair blood vessel lesion					
35286	T	Repair blood vessel lesion	0093	26.29	$1,367.32	$277.34	$273.46
35301	C	Rechanneling of artery					
35311	C	Rechanneling of artery					
35321	T	Rechanneling of artery	0093	26.29	$1,367.32	$277.34	$273.46
35331	C	Rechanneling of artery					
35341	C	Rechanneling of artery					
35351	C	Rechanneling of artery					
35355	C	Rechanneling of artery					
35361	C	Rechanneling of artery					
35363	C	Rechanneling of artery					
35371	C	Rechanneling of artery					
35372	C	Rechanneling of artery					
35381	C	Rechanneling of artery					
35390	C	Reoperation, carotid add-on					
35400	C	Angioscopy					
35450	C	Repair arterial blockage					
35452	C	Repair arterial blockage					
35454	C	Repair arterial blockage					
35456	C	Repair arterial blockage					
35458	T	Repair arterial blockage	0081	22.69	$1,180.08		$236.02
35459	T	Repair arterial blockage	0081	22.69	$1,180.08		$236.02
35460	T	Repair venous blockage	0081	22.69	$1,180.08		$236.02
35470	T	Repair arterial blockage	0081	22.69	$1,180.08		$236.02
35471	T	Repair arterial blockage	0081	22.69	$1,180.08		$236.02
35472	T	Repair arterial blockage	0081	22.69	$1,180.08		$236.02
35473	T	Repair arterial blockage	0081	22.69	$1,180.08		$236.02
35474	T	Repair arterial blockage	0081	22.69	$1,180.08		$236.02
35475	T	Repair arterial blockage	0081	22.69	$1,180.08		$236.02
35476	T	Repair venous blockage	0081	22.69	$1,180.08		$236.02
35480	C	Atherectomy, open					
35481	C	Atherectomy, open					
35482	C	Atherectomy, open					
35483	C	Atherectomy, open					

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35484	T	Atherectomy, open	0081	22.69	$1,180.08		$236.02
35485	T	Atherectomy, open	0081	22.69	$1,180.08		$236.02
35490	T	Atherectomy, percutaneous	0081	22.69	$1,180.08		$236.02
35491	T	Atherectomy, percutaneous	0081	22.69	$1,180.08		$236.02
35492	T	Atherectomy, percutaneous	0081	22.69	$1,180.08		$236.02
35493	T	Atherectomy, percutaneous	0081	22.69	$1,180.08		$236.02
35494	T	Atherectomy, percutaneous	0081	22.69	$1,180.08		$236.02
35495	T	Atherectomy, percutaneous	0081	22.69	$1,180.08		$236.02
35500	T	Harvest vein for bypass	0081	22.69	$1,180.08		$236.02
35501	C	Artery bypass graft					
35506	C	Artery bypass graft					
35507	C	Artery bypass graft					
35508	C	Artery bypass graft					
35509	C	Artery bypass graft					
35511	C	Artery bypass graft					
35515	C	Artery bypass graft					
35516	C	Artery bypass graft					
35518	C	Artery bypass graft					
35521	C	Artery bypass graft					
35526	C	Artery bypass graft					
35531	C	Artery bypass graft					
35533	C	Artery bypass graft					
35536	C	Artery bypass graft					
35541	C	Artery bypass graft					
35546	C	Artery bypass graft					
35548	C	Artery bypass graft					
35549	C	Artery bypass graft					
35551	C	Artery bypass graft					
35556	C	Artery bypass graft					
35558	C	Artery bypass graft					
35560	C	Artery bypass graft					
35563	C	Artery bypass graft					
35565	C	Artery bypass graft					
35566	C	Artery bypass graft					
35571	C	Artery bypass graft					
35582	C	Vein bypass graft					
35583	C	Vein bypass graft					
35585	C	Vein bypass graft					
35587	C	Vein bypass graft					
35600	C	Harvest artery for cabg					
35601	C	Artery bypass graft					
35606	C	Artery bypass graft					
35612	C	Artery bypass graft					
35616	C	Artery bypass graft					
35621	C	Artery bypass graft					
35623	C	Bypass graft, not vein					
35626	C	Artery bypass graft					
35631	C	Artery bypass graft					
35636	C	Artery bypass graft					
35641	C	Artery bypass graft					
35642	C	Artery bypass graft					
35645	C	Artery bypass graft					
35646	C	Artery bypass graft					
35647	C	Artery bypass graft					
35650	C	Artery bypass graft					
35651	C	Artery bypass graft					
35654	C	Artery bypass graft					
35656	C	Artery bypass graft					
35661	C	Artery bypass graft					
35663	C	Artery bypass graft					
35665	C	Artery bypass graft					
35666	C	Artery bypass graft					
35671	C	Artery bypass graft					
35681	C	Composite bypass graft					
35682	C	Composite bypass graft					
35683	C	Composite bypass graft					

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35685	T	Bypass graft patency/patch	0093	26.29	$1,367.32	$277.34	$273.46
35686	T	Bypass graft/av fist patency	0093	26.29	$1,367.32	$277.34	$273.46
35691	C	Arterial transposition					
35693	C	Arterial transposition					
35694	C	Arterial transposition					
35695	C	Arterial transposition					
35700	C	Reoperation, bypass graft					
35701	C	Exploration, carotid artery					
35721	C	Exploration, femoral artery					
35741	C	Exploration popliteal artery					
35761	T	Exploration of artery/vein	0115	23.48	$1,221.17	$439.62	$244.23
35800	C	Explore neck vessels					
35820	C	Explore chest vessels					
35840	C	Explore abdominal vessels					
35860	T	Explore limb vessels	0093	26.29	$1,367.32	$277.34	$273.46
35870	C	Repair vessel graft defect					
35875	T	Removal of clot in graft	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
35876	T	Removal of clot in graft	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
35879	T	Revise graft w/vein	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
35881	T	Revise graft w/vein	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
35901	C	Excision, graft, neck					
35903	T	Excision, graft, extremity	0115	23.48	$1,221.17	$439.62	$244.23
35905	C	Excision, graft, thorax					
35907	C	Excision, graft, abdomen					
36000	N	Place needle in vein					
36002	S	Pseudoaneurysm injection trt	0267	2.58	$134.18	$65.52	$26.84
36005	N	Injection ext venography					
36010	N	Place catheter in vein					
36011	N	Place catheter in vein					
36012	N	Place catheter in vein					
36013	N	Place catheter in artery					
36014	N	Place catheter in artery					
36015	N	Place catheter in artery					
36100	N	Establish access to artery					
36120	N	Establish access to artery					
36140	N	Establish access to artery					
36145	N	Artery to vein shunt					
36160	N	Establish access to aorta					
36200	N	Place catheter in aorta					
36215	N	Place catheter in artery					
36216	N	Place catheter in artery					
36217	N	Place catheter in artery					
36218	N	Place catheter in artery					
36245	N	Place catheter in artery					
36246	N	Place catheter in artery					
36247	N	Place catheter in artery					
36248	N	Place catheter in artery					
36260	T	Insertion of infusion pump	0119	25.88	$1,345.99		$269.20
36261	T	Revision of infusion pump	0124	23.47	$1,220.65		$244.13
36262	T	Removal of infusion pump	0109	7.68	$399.43	$131.49	$79.89
36299	N	Vessel injection procedure					
36400	N	Drawing blood					
36405	N	Drawing blood					
36406	N	Drawing blood					
36410	N	Drawing blood					
36415	E	Drawing blood					
36420	T	Establish access to vein	0035	0.24	$12.48	$3.74	$2.50
36425	T	Establish access to vein	0035	0.24	$12.48	$3.74	$2.50
36430	S	Blood transfusion service	0110	4.04	$210.12		$42.02
36440	S	Blood transfusion service	0110	4.04	$210.12		$42.02
36450	S	Exchange transfusion service	0110	4.04	$210.12		$42.02
36455	S	Exchange transfusion service	0110	4.04	$210.12		$42.02
36460	S	Transfusion service, fetal	0110	4.04	$210.12		$42.02
36468	T	Injection(s), spider veins	0098	1.90	$98.82	$20.88	$19.76
36469	T	Injection(s), spider veins	0098	1.90	$98.82	$20.88	$19.76
36470	T	Injection therapy of vein	0098	1.90	$98.82	$20.88	$19.76

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36471	T	Injection therapy of veins	0098	1.90	$98.82	$20.88	$19.76
36481	N	Insertion of catheter, vein					
36488	T	Insertion of catheter, vein	0032	7.14	$371.34		$74.27
36489	T	Insertion of catheter, vein	0032	7.14	$371.34		$74.27
36490	T	Insertion of catheter, vein	0032	7.14	$371.34		$74.27
36491	T	Insertion of catheter, vein	0032	7.14	$371.34		$74.27
36493	X	Repositioning of cvc	0187	4.19	$217.92	$94.96	$43.58
36500	N	Insertion of catheter, vein					
36510	C	Insertion of catheter, vein					
36520	S	Plasma and/or cell exchange	0111	13.60	$707.32	$198.05	$141.46
36521	S	Apheresis w/ adsorp/reinfuse	0112	39.40	$2,049.15	$612.47	$409.83
36522	S	Photopheresis	0112	39.40	$2,049.15	$612.47	$409.83
36530	T	Insertion of infusion pump	0119	25.88	$1,345.99		$269.20
36531	T	Revision of infusion pump	0124	23.47	$1,220.65		$244.13
36532	T	Removal of infusion pump	0109	7.68	$399.43	$131.49	$79.89
36533	T	Insertion of access device	0115	23.48	$1,221.17	$439.62	$244.23
36534	T	Revision of access device	0109	7.68	$399.43	$131.49	$79.89
36535	T	Removal of access device	0109	7.68	$399.43	$131.49	$79.89
36540	N	Collect blood venous device					
36550	T	Declot vascular device	0677	2.80	$145.63		$29.13
36600	N	Withdrawal of arterial blood					
36620	N	Insertion catheter, artery					
36625	N	Insertion catheter, artery					
36640	T	Insertion catheter, artery	0032	7.14	$371.34		$74.27
36660	C	Insertion catheter, artery					
36680	T	Insert needle, bone cavity	0120	1.81	$94.14	$25.42	$18.83
36800	T	Insertion of cannula	0115	23.48	$1,221.17	$439.62	$244.23
36810	T	Insertion of cannula	0115	23.48	$1,221.17	$439.62	$244.23
36815	T	Insertion of cannula	0115	23.48	$1,221.17	$439.62	$244.23
36819	T	Av fusion/uppr arm vein	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
36820	T	Av fusion/forearm vein	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
36821	T	Av fusion direct any site	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
36822	C	Insertion of cannula(s)					
36823	C	Insertion of cannula(s)					
36825	T	Artery-vein graft	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
36830	T	Artery-vein graft	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
36831	T	Open thrombect av fistula	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
36832	T	Av fistula revision, open	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
36833	T	Av fistula revision	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
36834	T	Repair A-V aneurysm	0088	33.96	$1,766.23	$678.68	$353.25
36835	T	Artery to vein shunt	0115	23.48	$1,221.17	$439.62	$244.23
36860	T	External cannula declotting	0103	11.26	$585.62	$210.82	$117.12
36861	T	Cannula declotting	0115	23.48	$1,221.17	$439.62	$244.23
36870	T	Percut thrombect av fistula	0093	26.29	$1,367.32	$277.34	$273.46
37140	C	Revision of circulation					
37145	C	Revision of circulation					
37160	C	Revision of circulation					
37180	C	Revision of circulation					
37181	C	Splice spleen/kidney veins					
37195	C	Thrombolytic therapy, stroke					
37200	T	Transcatheter biopsy	0685	4.47	$232.48	$102.29	$46.50
37201	T	Transcatheter therapy infuse	0676	4.62	$240.28	$64.88	$48.06
37202	T	Transcatheter therapy infuse	0677	2.80	$145.63		$29.13
37203	T	Transcatheter retrieval	0103	11.26	$585.62	$210.82	$117.12
37204	T	Transcatheter occlusion	0115	23.48	$1,221.17	$439.62	$244.23
37205	T	Transcatheter stent	0229	49.00	$2,548.44	$662.59	$509.69
37206	T	Transcatheter stent add-on	0229	49.00	$2,548.44	$662.59	$509.69
37207	T	Transcatheter stent	0229	49.00	$2,548.44	$662.59	$509.69
37208	T	Transcatheter stent add-on	0229	49.00	$2,548.44	$662.59	$509.69
37209	T	Exchange arterial catheter	0103	11.26	$585.62	$210.82	$117.12
37250	S	Iv us first vessel add-on	0670	14.78	$768.69	$276.73	$153.74
37251	S	Iv us each add vessel add-on	0670	14.78	$768.69	$276.73	$153.74
37565	T	Ligation of neck vein	0093	26.29	$1,367.32	$277.34	$273.46
37600	T	Ligation of neck artery	0093	26.29	$1,367.32	$277.34	$273.46
37605	T	Ligation of neck artery	0091	27.03	$1,405.80	$348.23	$281.16
37606	T	Ligation of neck artery	0091	27.03	$1,405.80	$348.23	$281.16

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37607	T	Ligation of a-v fistula	0092	24.97	$1,298.66	$505.37	$259.73
37609	T	Temporal artery procedure	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
37615	T	Ligation of neck artery	0091	27.03	$1,405.80	$348.23	$281.16
37616	C	Ligation of chest artery					
37617	C	Ligation of abdomen artery					
37618	C	Ligation of extremity artery					
37620	T	Revision of major vein	0091	27.03	$1,405.80	$348.23	$281.16
37650	T	Revision of major vein	0091	27.03	$1,405.80	$348.23	$281.16
37660	C	Revision of major vein					
37700	T	Revise leg vein	0091	27.03	$1,405.80	$348.23	$281.16
37720	T	Removal of leg vein	0092	24.97	$1,298.66	$505.37	$259.73
37730	T	Removal of leg veins	0092	24.97	$1,298.66	$505.37	$259.73
37735	T	Removal of leg veins/lesion	0092	24.97	$1,298.66	$505.37	$259.73
37760	T	Revision of leg veins	0091	27.03	$1,405.80	$348.23	$281.16
37780	T	Revision of leg vein	0091	27.03	$1,405.80	$348.23	$281.16
37785	T	Revise secondary varicosity	0091	27.03	$1,405.80	$348.23	$281.16
37788	C	Revascularization, penis					
37790	T	Penile venous occlusion	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
37799	T	Vascular surgery procedure	0035	0.24	$12.48	$3.74	$2.50
38100	C	Removal of spleen, total					
38101	C	Removal of spleen, partial					
38102	C	Removal of spleen, total					
38115	C	Repair of ruptured spleen					
38120	T	Laparoscopy, splenectomy	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
38129	T	Laparoscope proc, spleen	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
38200	N	Injection for spleen x-ray					
38220	T	Bone marrow aspiration	0003	1.24	$64.49	$27.08	$12.90
38221	T	Bone marrow biopsy	0003	1.24	$64.49	$27.08	$12.90
38230	S	Bone marrow collection	0123	4.86	$252.76		$50.55
38231	S	Stem cell collection	0111	13.60	$707.32	$198.05	$141.46
38240	S	Bone marrow/stem transplant	0123	4.86	$252.76		$50.55
38241	S	Bone marrow/stem transplant	0123	4.86	$252.76		$50.55
38300	T	Drainage, lymph node lesion	0008	16.32	$848.79		$169.76
38305	T	Drainage, lymph node lesion	0008	16.32	$848.79		$169.76
38308	T	Incision of lymph channels	0113	19.75	$1,027.18		$205.44
38380	C	Thoracic duct procedure					
38381	C	Thoracic duct procedure					
38382	C	Thoracic duct procedure					
38500	T	Biopsy/removal, lymph nodes	0113	19.75	$1,027.18		$205.44
38505	T	Needle biopsy, lymph nodes	0005	3.02	$157.07	$69.11	$31.41
38510	T	Biopsy/removal, lymph nodes	0113	19.75	$1,027.18		$205.44
38520	T	Biopsy/removal, lymph nodes	0113	19.75	$1,027.18		$205.44
38525	T	Biopsy/removal, lymph nodes	0113	19.75	$1,027.18		$205.44
38530	T	Biopsy/removal, lymph nodes	0113	19.75	$1,027.18		$205.44
38542	T	Explore deep node(s), neck	0114	37.55	$1,952.94	$507.76	$390.59
38550	T	Removal, neck/armpit lesion	0113	19.75	$1,027.18		$205.44
38555	T	Removal, neck/armpit lesion	0113	19.75	$1,027.18		$205.44
38562	C	Removal, pelvic lymph nodes					
38564	C	Removal, abdomen lymph nodes					
38570	T	Laparoscopy, lymph node biop	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
38571	T	Laparoscopy, lymphadenectomy	0132	57.95	$3,013.92	$1,239.22	$602.78
38572	T	Laparoscopy, lymphadenectomy	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
38589	T	Laparoscope proc, lymphatic	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
38700	T	Removal of lymph nodes, neck	0113	19.75	$1,027.18		$205.44
38720	T	Removal of lymph nodes, neck	0113	19.75	$1,027.18		$205.44
38724	C	Removal of lymph nodes, neck					
38740	T	Remove armpit lymph nodes	0114	37.55	$1,952.94	$507.76	$390.59
38745	T	Remove armpit lymph nodes	0114	37.55	$1,952.94	$507.76	$390.59
38746	C	Remove thoracic lymph nodes					
38747	C	Remove abdominal lymph nodes					
38760	T	Remove groin lymph nodes	0113	19.75	$1,027.18		$205.44
38765	C	Remove groin lymph nodes					
38770	C	Remove pelvis lymph nodes					
38780	C	Remove abdomen lymph nodes					
38790	N	Inject for lymphatic x-ray					
38792	N	Identify sentinel node					

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38794	N	Access thoracic lymph duct					
38999	S	Blood/lymph system procedure	0110	4.04	$210.12		$42.02
39000	C	Exploration of chest					
39010	C	Exploration of chest					
39200	C	Removal chest lesion					
39220	C	Removal chest lesion					
39400	T	Visualization of chest	0069	29.51	$1,534.79	$591.64	$306.96
39499	C	Chest procedure					
39501	C	Repair diaphragm laceration					
39502	C	Repair paraesophageal hernia					
39503	C	Repair of diaphragm hernia					
39520	C	Repair of diaphragm hernia					
39530	C	Repair of diaphragm hernia					
39531	C	Repair of diaphragm hernia					
39540	C	Repair of diaphragm hernia					
39541	C	Repair of diaphragm hernia					
39545	C	Revision of diaphragm					
39560	C	Resect diaphragm, simple					
39561	C	Resect diaphragm, complex					
39599	C	Diaphragm surgery procedure					
40490	T	Biopsy of lip	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
40500	T	Partial excision of lip	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
40510	T	Partial excision of lip	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
40520	T	Partial excision of lip	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
40525	T	Reconstruct lip with flap	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
40527	T	Reconstruct lip with flap	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
40530	T	Partial removal of lip	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
40650	T	Repair lip	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
40652	T	Repair lip	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
40654	T	Repair lip	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
40700	T	Repair cleft lip/nasal	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
40701	T	Repair cleft lip/nasal	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
40702	T	Repair cleft lip/nasal	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
40720	T	Repair cleft lip/nasal	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
40761	T	Repair cleft lip/nasal	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
40799	T	Lip surgery procedure	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
40800	T	Drainage of mouth lesion	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
40801	T	Drainage of mouth lesion	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
40804	X	Removal, foreign body, mouth	0340	0.66	$34.33		$6.87
40805	T	Removal, foreign body, mouth	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
40806	T	Incision of lip fold	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
40808	T	Biopsy of mouth lesion	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
40810	T	Excision of mouth lesion	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
40812	T	Excise/repair mouth lesion	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
40814	T	Excise/repair mouth lesion	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
40816	T	Excision of mouth lesion	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
40818	T	Excise oral mucosa for graft	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
40819	T	Excise lip or cheek fold	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
40820	T	Treatment of mouth lesion	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
40830	T	Repair mouth laceration	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
40831	T	Repair mouth laceration	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
40840	T	Reconstruction of mouth	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
40842	T	Reconstruction of mouth	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
40843	T	Reconstruction of mouth	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
40844	T	Reconstruction of mouth	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
40845	T	Reconstruction of mouth	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
40899	T	Mouth surgery procedure	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
41000	T	Drainage of mouth lesion	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
41005	T	Drainage of mouth lesion	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
41006	T	Drainage of mouth lesion	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
41007	T	Drainage of mouth lesion	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
41008	T	Drainage of mouth lesion	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
41009	T	Drainage of mouth lesion	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
41010	T	Incision of tongue fold	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
41015	T	Drainage of mouth lesion	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
41016	T	Drainage of mouth lesion	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22

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41017	T	Drainage of mouth lesion	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
41018	T	Drainage of mouth lesion	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
41100	T	Biopsy of tongue	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
41105	T	Biopsy of tongue	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
41108	T	Biopsy of floor of mouth	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
41110	T	Excision of tongue lesion	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
41112	T	Excision of tongue lesion	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
41113	T	Excision of tongue lesion	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
41114	T	Excision of tongue lesion	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
41115	T	Excision of tongue fold	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
41116	T	Excision of mouth lesion	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
41120	T	Partial removal of tongue	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
41130	C	Partial removal of tongue					
41135	C	Tongue and neck surgery					
41140	C	Removal of tongue					
41145	C	Tongue removal, neck surgery					
41150	C	Tongue, mouth, jaw surgery					
41153	C	Tongue, mouth, neck surgery					
41155	C	Tongue, jaw, & neck surgery					
41250	T	Repair tongue laceration	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
41251	T	Repair tongue laceration	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
41252	T	Repair tongue laceration	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
41500	T	Fixation of tongue	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
41510	T	Tongue to lip surgery	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
41520	T	Reconstruction, tongue fold	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
41599	T	Tongue and mouth surgery	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
41800	T	Drainage of gum lesion	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
41805	T	Removal foreign body, gum	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
41806	T	Removal foreign body,jawbone	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
41820	T	Excision, gum, each quadrant	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
41821	T	Excision of gum flap	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
41822	T	Excision of gum lesion	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
41823	T	Excision of gum lesion	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
41825	T	Excision of gum lesion	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
41826	T	Excision of gum lesion	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
41827	T	Excision of gum lesion	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
41828	T	Excision of gum lesion	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
41830	T	Removal of gum tissue	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
41850	T	Treatment of gum lesion	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
41870	T	Gum graft	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
41872	T	Repair gum	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
41874	T	Repair tooth socket	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
41899	T	Dental surgery procedure	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
42000	T	Drainage mouth roof lesion	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
42100	T	Biopsy roof of mouth	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
42104	T	Excision lesion, mouth roof	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
42106	T	Excision lesion, mouth roof	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
42107	T	Excision lesion, mouth roof	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
42120	T	Remove palate/lesion	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42140	T	Excision of uvula	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
42145	T	Repair palate, pharynx/uvula	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
42160	T	Treatment mouth roof lesion	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
42180	T	Repair palate	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
42182	T	Repair palate	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42200	T	Reconstruct cleft palate	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42205	T	Reconstruct cleft palate	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42210	T	Reconstruct cleft palate	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42215	T	Reconstruct cleft palate	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42220	T	Reconstruct cleft palate	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42225	T	Reconstruct cleft palate	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42226	T	Lengthening of palate	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42227	T	Lengthening of palate	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42235	T	Repair palate	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
42260	T	Repair nose to lip fistula	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
42280	T	Preparation, palate mold	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
42281	T	Insertion, palate prosthesis	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84

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42299	T	Palate/uvula surgery	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
42300	T	Drainage of salivary gland	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
42305	T	Drainage of salivary gland	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
42310	T	Drainage of salivary gland	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
42320	T	Drainage of salivary gland	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
42325	T	Create salivary cyst drain	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
42326	T	Create salivary cyst drain	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
42330	T	Removal of salivary stone	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
42335	T	Removal of salivary stone	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
42340	T	Removal of salivary stone	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
42400	T	Biopsy of salivary gland	0004	1.63	$84.77	$22.04	$16.95
42405	T	Biopsy of salivary gland	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
42408	T	Excision of salivary cyst	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
42409	T	Drainage of salivary cyst	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
42410	T	Excise parotid gland/lesion	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42415	T	Excise parotid gland/lesion	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42420	T	Excise parotid gland/lesion	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42425	T	Excise parotid gland/lesion	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42426	C	Excise parotid gland/lesion					
42440	T	Excise submaxillary gland	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42450	T	Excise sublingual gland	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
42500	T	Repair salivary duct	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
42505	T	Repair salivary duct	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42507	T	Parotid duct diversion	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42508	T	Parotid duct diversion	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42509	T	Parotid duct diversion	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42510	T	Parotid duct diversion	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42550	N	Injection for salivary x-ray					
42600	T	Closure of salivary fistula	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
42650	T	Dilation of salivary duct	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
42660	T	Dilation of salivary duct	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
42665	T	Ligation of salivary duct	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
42699	T	Salivary surgery procedure	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
42700	T	Drainage of tonsil abscess	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
42720	T	Drainage of throat abscess	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
42725	T	Drainage of throat abscess	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42800	T	Biopsy of throat	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
42802	T	Biopsy of throat	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
42804	T	Biopsy of upper nose/throat	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
42806	T	Biopsy of upper nose/throat	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
42808	T	Excise pharynx lesion	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
42809	X	Remove pharynx foreign body	0340	0.66	$34.33		$6.87
42810	T	Excision of neck cyst	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
42815	T	Excision of neck cyst	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42820	T	Remove tonsils and adenoids	0258	21.15	$1,099.99	$437.25	$220.00
42821	T	Remove tonsils and adenoids	0258	21.15	$1,099.99	$437.25	$220.00
42825	T	Removal of tonsils	0258	21.15	$1,099.99	$437.25	$220.00
42826	T	Removal of tonsils	0258	21.15	$1,099.99	$437.25	$220.00
42830	T	Removal of adenoids	0258	21.15	$1,099.99	$437.25	$220.00
42831	T	Removal of adenoids	0258	21.15	$1,099.99	$437.25	$220.00
42835	T	Removal of adenoids	0258	21.15	$1,099.99	$437.25	$220.00
42836	T	Removal of adenoids	0258	21.15	$1,099.99	$437.25	$220.00
42842	T	Extensive surgery of throat	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
42844	T	Extensive surgery of throat	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42845	C	Extensive surgery of throat					
42860	T	Excision of tonsil tags	0258	21.15	$1,099.99	$437.25	$220.00
42870	T	Excision of lingual tonsil	0258	21.15	$1,099.99	$437.25	$220.00
42890	T	Partial removal of pharynx	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42892	T	Revision of pharyngeal walls	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42894	C	Revision of pharyngeal walls					
42900	T	Repair throat wound	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
42950	T	Reconstruction of throat	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
42953	C	Repair throat, esophagus					
42955	T	Surgical opening of throat	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
42960	T	Control throat bleeding	0250	1.68	$87.38	$30.58	$17.48
42961	C	Control throat bleeding					

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42962	T	Control throat bleeding	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
42970	T	Control nose/throat bleeding	0250	1.68	$87.38	$30.58	$17.48
42971	C	Control nose/throat bleeding					
42972	T	Control nose/throat bleeding	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
42999	T	Throat surgery procedure	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
43020	T	Incision of esophagus	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
43030	T	Throat muscle surgery	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
43045	C	Incision of esophagus					
43100	C	Excision of esophagus lesion					
43101	C	Excision of esophagus lesion					
43107	C	Removal of esophagus					
43108	C	Removal of esophagus					
43112	C	Removal of esophagus					
43113	C	Removal of esophagus					
43116	C	Partial removal of esophagus					
43117	C	Partial removal of esophagus					
43118	C	Partial removal of esophagus					
43121	C	Partial removal of esophagus					
43122	C	Parital removal of esophagus					
43123	C	Partial removal of esophagus					
43124	C	Removal of esophagus					
43130	T	Removal of esophagus pouch	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
43135	C	Removal of esophagus pouch					
43200	T	Esophagus endoscopy	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43202	T	Esophagus endoscopy, biopsy	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43204	T	Esophagus endoscopy & inject	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43205	T	Esophagus endoscopy/ligation	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43215	T	Esophagus endoscopy	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43216	T	Esophagus endoscopy/lesion	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43217	T	Esophagus endoscopy	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43219	T	Esophagus endoscopy	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43220	T	Esoph endoscopy, dilation	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43226	T	Esoph endoscopy, dilation	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43227	T	Esoph endoscopy, repair	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43228	T	Esoph endoscopy, ablation	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43231	T	Esoph endoscopy w/us exam	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43232	T	Esoph endoscopy w/us fn bx	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43234	T	Upper GI endoscopy, exam	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43235	T	Uppr gi endoscopy, diagnosis	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43239	T	Upper GI endoscopy, biopsy	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43240	T	Esoph endoscope w/drain cyst	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43241	T	Upper GI endoscopy with tube	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43242	T	Uppr gi endoscopy w/us fn bx	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43243	T	Upper gi endoscopy & inject	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43244	T	Upper GI endoscopy/ligation	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43245	T	Operative upper GI endoscopy	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43246	T	Place gastrostomy tube	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43247	T	Operative upper GI endoscopy	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43248	T	Uppr gi endoscopy/guide wire	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43249	T	Esoph endoscopy, dilation	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43250	T	Upper GI endoscopy/tumor	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43251	T	Operative upper GI endoscopy	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43255	T	Operative upper GI endoscopy	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43256	T	Uppr gi endoscopy w stent	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43258	T	Operative upper GI endoscopy	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43259	T	Endoscopic ultrasound exam	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43260	T	Endo cholangiopancreatograph	0151	18.23	$948.12	$245.46	$189.62
43261	T	Endo cholangiopancreatograph	0151	18.23	$948.12	$245.46	$189.62
43262	T	Endo cholangiopancreatograph	0151	18.23	$948.12	$245.46	$189.62
43263	T	Endo cholangiopancreatograph	0151	18.23	$948.12	$245.46	$189.62
43264	T	Endo cholangiopancreatograph	0151	18.23	$948.12	$245.46	$189.62
43265	T	Endo cholangiopancreatograph	0151	18.23	$948.12	$245.46	$189.62
43267	T	Endo cholangiopancreatograph	0151	18.23	$948.12	$245.46	$189.62
43268	T	Endo cholangiopancreatograph	0151	18.23	$948.12	$245.46	$189.62
43269	T	Endo cholangiopancreatograph	0151	18.23	$948.12	$245.46	$189.62
43271	T	Endo cholangiopancreatograph	0151	18.23	$948.12	$245.46	$189.62

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43272	T	Endo cholangiopancreatograph	0151	18.23	$948.12	$245.46	$189.62
43280	T	Laparoscopy, fundoplasty	0132	57.95	$3,013.92	$1,239.22	$602.78
43289	T	Laparoscope proc, esoph	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
43300	C	Repair of esophagus					
43305	C	Repair esophagus and fistula					
43310	C	Repair of esophagus					
43312	C	Repair esophagus and fistula					
43313	C	Esophagoplasty congential					
43314	C	Tracheo-esophagoplasty cong					
43320	C	Fuse esophagus & stomach					
43324	C	Revise esophagus & stomach					
43325	C	Revise esophagus & stomach					
43326	C	Revise esophagus & stomach					
43330	C	Repair of esophagus					
43331	C	Repair of esophagus					
43340	C	Fuse esophagus & intestine					
43341	C	Fuse esophagus & intestine					
43350	C	Surgical opening, esophagus					
43351	C	Surgical opening, esophagus					
43352	C	Surgical opening, esophagus					
43360	C	Gastrointestinal repair					
43361	C	Gastrointestinal repair					
43400	C	Ligate esophagus veins					
43401	C	Esophagus surgery for veins					
43405	C	Ligate/staple esophagus					
43410	C	Repair esophagus wound					
43415	C	Repair esophagus wound					
43420	C	Repair esophagus opening					
43425	C	Repair esophagus opening					
43450	T	Dilate esophagus	0140	5.84	$303.73	$107.24	$60.75
43453	T	Dilate esophagus	0140	5.84	$303.73	$107.24	$60.75
43456	T	Dilate esophagus	0140	5.84	$303.73	$107.24	$60.75
43458	T	Dilate esophagus	0140	5.84	$303.73	$107.24	$60.75
43460	C	Pressure treatment esophagus					
43496	C	Free jejunum flap, microvasc					
43499	T	Esophagus surgery procedure	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43500	C	Surgical opening of stomach					
43501	C	Surgical repair of stomach					
43502	C	Surgical repair of stomach					
43510	C	Surgical opening of stomach					
43520	C	Incision of pyloric muscle					
43600	T	Biopsy of stomach	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43605	C	Biopsy of stomach					
43610	C	Excision of stomach lesion					
43611	C	Excision of stomach lesion					
43620	C	Removal of stomach					
43621	C	Removal of stomach					
43622	C	Removal of stomach					
43631	C	Removal of stomach, partial					
43632	C	Removal of stomach, partial					
43633	C	Removal of stomach, partial					
43634	C	Removal of stomach, partial					
43635	C	Removal of stomach, partial					
43638	C	Removal of stomach, partial					
43639	C	Removal of stomach, partial					
43640	C	Vagotomy & pylorus repair					
43641	C	Vagotomy & pylorus repair					
43651	T	Laparoscopy, vagus nerve	0132	57.95	$3,013.92	$1,239.22	$602.78
43652	T	Laparoscopy, vagus nerve	0132	57.95	$3,013.92	$1,239.22	$602.78
43653	T	Laparoscopy, gastrostomy	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
43659	T	Laparoscope proc, stom	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
43750	T	Place gastrostomy tube	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43752	E	Nasal/orogastric w/stent					
43760	T	Change gastrostomy tube	0121	2.17	$112.86	$45.14	$22.57
43761	T	Reposition gastrostomy tube	0121	2.17	$112.86	$45.14	$22.57
43800	C	Reconstruction of pylorus					

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43810	C	Fusion of stomach and bowel					
43820	C	Fusion of stomach and bowel					
43825	C	Fusion of stomach and bowel					
43830	T	Place gastrostomy tube	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43831	T	Place gastrostomy tube	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43832	C	Place gastrostomy tube					
43840	C	Repair of stomach lesion					
43842	C	Gastroplasty for obesity					
43843	C	Gastroplasty for obesity					
43846	C	Gastric bypass for obesity					
43847	C	Gastric bypass for obesity					
43848	C	Revision gastroplasty					
43850	C	Revise stomach-bowel fusion					
43855	C	Revise stomach-bowel fusion					
43860	C	Revise stomach-bowel fusion					
43865	C	Revise stomach-bowel fusion					
43870	T	Repair stomach opening	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
43880	C	Repair stomach-bowel fistula					
43999	T	Stomach surgery procedure	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
44005	C	Freeing of bowel adhesion					
44010	C	Incision of small bowel					
44015	C	Insert needle cath bowel					
44020	C	Explore small intestine					
44021	C	Decompress small bowel					
44025	C	Incision of large bowel					
44050	C	Reduce bowel obstruction					
44055	C	Correct malrotation of bowel					
44100	T	Biopsy of bowel	0141	7.82	$406.71	$150.48	$81.34
44110	C	Excise intestine lesion(s)					
44111	C	Excision of bowel lesion(s)					
44120	C	Removal of small intestine					
44121	C	Removal of small intestine					
44125	C	Removal of small intestine					
44126	C	Enterectomy w/taper, cong					
44127	C	Enterectomy w/o taper, cong					
44128	C	Enterectomy cong, add-on					
44130	C	Bowel to bowel fusion					
44132	C	Enterectomy, cadaver donor					
44133	C	Enterectomy, live donor					
44135	C	Intestine transplnt, cadaver					
44136	C	Intestine transplant, live					
44139	C	Mobilization of colon					
44140	C	Partial removal of colon					
44141	C	Partial removal of colon					
44143	C	Partial removal of colon					
44144	C	Partial removal of colon					
44145	C	Partial removal of colon					
44146	C	Partial removal of colon					
44147	C	Partial removal of colon					
44150	C	Removal of colon					
44151	C	Removal of colon/ileostomy					
44152	C	Removal of colon/ileostomy					
44153	C	Removal of colon/ileostomy					
44155	C	Removal of colon/ileostomy					
44156	C	Removal of colon/ileostomy					
44160	C	Removal of colon					
44200	T	Laparoscopy, enterolysis	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
44201	T	Laparoscopy, jejunostomy	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
44202	C	Lap resect s/intestine singl					
44203	C	Lap resect s/intestine, addl					
44204	C	Laparo partial colectomy					
44205	C	Lap colectomy part w/ileum					
44209	T	Laparoscope proc, intestine	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
44300	C	Open bowel to skin					
44310	C	Ileostomy/jejunostomy					
44312	T	Revision of ileostomy	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62

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44314	C	Revision of ileostomy					
44316	C	Devise bowel pouch					
44320	C	Colostomy					
44322	C	Colostomy with biopsies					
44340	T	Revision of colostomy	0027	15.73	$818.10	$343.60	$163.62
44345	C	Revision of colostomy					
44346	C	Revision of colostomy					
44360	T	Small bowel endoscopy	0142	8.21	$426.99	$152.78	$85.40
44361	T	Small bowel endoscopy/biopsy	0142	8.21	$426.99	$152.78	$85.40
44363	T	Small bowel endoscopy	0142	8.21	$426.99	$152.78	$85.40
44364	T	Small bowel endoscopy	0142	8.21	$426.99	$152.78	$85.40
44365	T	Small bowel endoscopy	0142	8.21	$426.99	$152.78	$85.40
44366	T	Small bowel endoscopy	0142	8.21	$426.99	$152.78	$85.40
44369	T	Small bowel endoscopy	0142	8.21	$426.99	$152.78	$85.40
44370	T	Small bowel endoscopy/stent	0142	8.21	$426.99	$152.78	$85.40
44372	T	Small bowel endoscopy	0142	8.21	$426.99	$152.78	$85.40
44373	T	Small bowel endoscopy	0142	8.21	$426.99	$152.78	$85.40
44376	T	Small bowel endoscopy	0142	8.21	$426.99	$152.78	$85.40
44377	T	Small bowel endoscopy/biopsy	0142	8.21	$426.99	$152.78	$85.40
44378	T	Small bowel endoscopy	0142	8.21	$426.99	$152.78	$85.40
44379	T	S bowel endoscope w/stent	0142	8.21	$426.99	$152.78	$85.40
44380	T	Small bowel endoscopy	0142	8.21	$426.99	$152.78	$85.40
44382	T	Small bowel endoscopy	0142	8.21	$426.99	$152.78	$85.40
44383	T	Ileoscopy w/stent	0142	8.21	$426.99	$152.78	$85.40
44385	T	Endoscopy of bowel pouch	0143	8.37	$435.32	$186.06	$87.06
44386	T	Endoscopy, bowel pouch/biop	0143	8.37	$435.32	$186.06	$87.06
44388	T	Colon endoscopy	0143	8.37	$435.32	$186.06	$87.06
44389	T	Colonoscopy with biopsy	0143	8.37	$435.32	$186.06	$87.06
44390	T	Colonoscopy for foreign body	0143	8.37	$435.32	$186.06	$87.06
44391	T	Colonoscopy for bleeding	0143	8.37	$435.32	$186.06	$87.06
44392	T	Colonoscopy & polypectomy	0143	8.37	$435.32	$186.06	$87.06
44393	T	Colonoscopy, lesion removal	0143	8.37	$435.32	$186.06	$87.06
44394	T	Colonoscopy w/snare	0143	8.37	$435.32	$186.06	$87.06
44397	T	Colonoscopy w stent	0143	8.37	$435.32	$186.06	$87.06
44500	T	Intro, gastrointestinal tube	0121	2.17	$112.86	$45.14	$22.57
44602	C	Suture, small intestine					
44603	C	Suture, small intestine					
44604	C	Suture, large intestine					
44605	C	Repair of bowel lesion					
44615	C	Intestinal stricturoplasty					
44620	C	Repair bowel opening					
44625	C	Repair bowel opening					
44626	C	Repair bowel opening					
44640	C	Repair bowel-skin fistula					
44650	C	Repair bowel fistula					
44660	C	Repair bowel-bladder fistula					
44661	C	Repair bowel-bladder fistula					
44680	C	Surgical revision, intestine					
44700	C	Suspend bowel w/prosthesis					
44799	T	Intestine surgery procedure	0142	8.21	$426.99	$152.78	$85.40
44800	C	Excision of bowel pouch					
44820	C	Excision of mesentery lesion					
44850	C	Repair of mesentery					
44899	C	Bowel surgery procedure					
44900	C	Drain app abscess, open					
44901	C	Drain app abscess, percut					
44950	C	Appendectomy					
44955	C	Appendectomy add-on					
44960	C	Appendectomy					
44970	T	Laparoscopy, appendectomy	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
44979	T	Laparoscope proc, app	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
45000	T	Drainage of pelvic abscess	0149	16.91	$879.47	$293.06	$175.89
45005	T	Drainage of rectal abscess	0148	3.61	$187.75	$67.59	$37.55
45020	T	Drainage of rectal abscess	0149	16.91	$879.47	$293.06	$175.89
45100	T	Biopsy of rectum	0149	16.91	$879.47	$293.06	$175.89
45108	T	Removal of anorectal lesion	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05

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45110	C	Removal of rectum					
45111	C	Partial removal of rectum					
45112	C	Removal of rectum					
45113	C	Partial proctectomy					
45114	C	Partial removal of rectum					
45116	C	Partial removal of rectum					
45119	C	Remove rectum w/reservoir					
45120	C	Removal of rectum					
45121	C	Removal of rectum and colon					
45123	C	Partial proctectomy					
45126	C	Pelvic exenteration					
45130	C	Excision of rectal prolapse					
45135	C	Excision of rectal prolapse					
45136	C	Excise ileoanal reservoir					
45150	T	Excision of rectal stricture	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
45160	T	Excision of rectal lesion	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
45170	T	Excision of rectal lesion	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
45190	T	Destruction, rectal tumor	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
45300	T	Proctosigmoidoscopy dx	0146	3.47	$180.47	$64.40	$36.09
45303	T	Proctosigmoidoscopy dilate	0146	3.47	$180.47	$64.40	$36.09
45305	T	Protosigmoidoscopy w/bx	0146	3.47	$180.47	$64.40	$36.09
45307	T	Protosigmoidoscopy fb	0146	3.47	$180.47	$64.40	$36.09
45308	T	Protosigmoidoscopy removal	0147	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
45309	T	Protosigmoidoscopy removal	0147	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
45315	T	Protosigmoidoscopy removal	0147	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
45317	T	Protosigmoidoscopy bleed	0146	3.47	$180.47	$64.40	$36.09
45320	T	Protosigmoidoscopy ablate	0147	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
45321	T	Protosigmoidoscopy volvul	0147	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
45327	T	Proctosigmoidoscopy w/stent	0147	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
45330	T	Diagnostic sigmoidoscopy	0146	3.47	$180.47	$64.40	$36.09
45331	T	Sigmoidoscopy and biopsy	0146	3.47	$180.47	$64.40	$36.09
45332	T	Sigmoidoscopy w/fb removal	0146	3.47	$180.47	$64.40	$36.09
45333	T	Sigmoidoscopy & polypectomy	0147	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
45334	T	Sigmoidoscopy for bleeding	0147	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
45337	T	Sigmoidoscopy & decompress	0147	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
45338	T	Sigmoidoscpy w/tumr remove	0147	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
45339	T	Sigmoidoscopy w/ablate tumr	0147	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
45341	T	Sigmoidoscopy w/ultrasound	0147	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
45342	T	Sigmoidoscopy w/us guide bx	0147	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
45345	T	Sigmodoscopy w/stent	0147	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
45355	T	Surgical colonoscopy	0143	8.37	$435.32	$186.06	$87.06
45378	T	Diagnostic colonoscopy	0143	8.37	$435.32	$186.06	$87.06
45379	T	Colonoscopy w/fb removal	0143	8.37	$435.32	$186.06	$87.06
45380	T	Colonoscopy and biopsy	0143	8.37	$435.32	$186.06	$87.06
45382	T	Colonoscopy/control bleeding	0143	8.37	$435.32	$186.06	$87.06
45383	T	Lesion removal colonoscopy	0143	8.37	$435.32	$186.06	$87.06
45384	T	Lesion remove colonoscopy	0143	8.37	$435.32	$186.06	$87.06
45385	T	Lesion removal colonoscopy	0143	8.37	$435.32	$186.06	$87.06
45387	T	Colonoscopy w/stent	0143	8.37	$435.32	$186.06	$87.06
45500	T	Repair of rectum	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
45505	T	Repair of rectum	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
45520	T	Treatment of rectal prolapse	0098	1.90	$98.82	$20.88	$19.76
45540	C	Correct rectal prolapse					
45541	C	Correct rectal prolapse					
45550	C	Repair rectum/remove sigmoid					
45560	T	Repair of rectocele	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
45562	C	Exploration/repair of rectum					
45563	C	Exploration/repair of rectum					
45800	C	Repair rect/bladder fistula					
45805	C	Repair fistula w/colostomy					
45820	C	Repair rectourethral fistula					
45825	C	Repair fistula w/colostomy					
45900	T	Reduction of rectal prolapse	0148	3.61	$187.75	$67.59	$37.55
45905	T	Dilation of anal sphincter	0149	16.91	$879.47	$293.06	$175.89
45910	T	Dilation of rectal narrowing	0149	16.91	$879.47	$293.06	$175.89
45915	T	Remove rectal obstruction	0148	3.61	$187.75	$67.59	$37.55

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45999	T	Rectum surgery procedure	0148	3.61	$187.75	$67.59	$37.55
46020	T	Placement of seton	0148	3.61	$187.75	$67.59	$37.55
46030	T	Removal of rectal marker	0148	3.61	$187.75	$67.59	$37.55
46040	T	Incision of rectal abscess	0155	10.05	$522.69	$188.17	$104.54
46045	T	Incision of rectal abscess	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46050	T	Incision of anal abscess	0155	10.05	$522.69	$188.17	$104.54
46060	T	Incision of rectal abscess	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46070	T	Incision of anal septum	0155	10.05	$522.69	$188.17	$104.54
46080	T	Incision of anal sphincter	0149	16.91	$879.47	$293.06	$175.89
46083	T	Incise external hemorrhoid	0148	3.61	$187.75	$67.59	$37.55
46200	T	Removal of anal fissure	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46210	T	Removal of anal crypt	0149	16.91	$879.47	$293.06	$175.89
46211	T	Removal of anal crypts	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46220	T	Removal of anal tab	0149	16.91	$879.47	$293.06	$175.89
46221	T	Ligation of hemorrhoid(s)	0148	3.61	$187.75	$67.59	$37.55
46230	T	Removal of anal tabs	0149	16.91	$879.47	$293.06	$175.89
46250	T	Hemorrhoidectomy	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46255	T	Hemorrhoidectomy	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46257	T	Remove hemorrhoids & fissure	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46258	T	Remove hemorrhoids & fistula	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46260	T	Hemorrhoidectomy	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46261	T	Remove hemorrhoids & fissure	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46262	T	Remove hemorrhoids & fistula	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46270	T	Removal of anal fistula	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46275	T	Removal of anal fistula	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46280	T	Removal of anal fistula	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46285	T	Removal of anal fistula	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46288	T	Repair anal fistula	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46320	T	Removal of hemorrhoid clot	0148	3.61	$187.75	$67.59	$37.55
46500	T	Injection into hemorrhoid(s)	0155	10.05	$522.69	$188.17	$104.54
46600	X	Diagnostic anoscopy	0340	0.66	$34.33		$6.87
46604	T	Anoscopy and dilation	0147	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
46606	T	Anoscopy and biopsy	0147	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
46608	T	Anoscopy/ remove for body	0147	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
46610	T	Anoscopy/remove lesion	0147	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
46611	T	Anoscopy	0147	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
46612	T	Anoscopy/ remove lesions	0147	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
46614	T	Anoscopy/control bleeding	0147	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
46615	T	Anoscopy	0147	7.30	$379.67	$83.53	$75.93
46700	T	Repair of anal stricture	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46705	C	Repair of anal stricture					
46715	C	Repair of anovaginal fistula					
46716	C	Repair of anovaginal fistula					
46730	C	Construction of absent anus					
46735	C	Construction of absent anus					
46740	C	Construction of absent anus					
46742	C	Repair of imperforated anus					
46744	C	Repair of cloacal anomaly					
46746	C	Repair of cloacal anomaly					
46748	C	Repair of cloacal anomaly					
46750	T	Repair of anal sphincter	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46751	C	Repair of anal sphincter					
46753	T	Reconstruction of anus	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46754	T	Removal of suture from anus	0149	16.91	$879.47	$293.06	$175.89
46760	T	Repair of anal sphincter	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46761	T	Repair of anal sphincter	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46762	T	Implant artificial sphincter	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46900	T	Destruction, anal lesion(s)	0016	2.57	$133.66	$56.14	$26.73
46910	T	Destruction, anal lesion(s)	0017	16.46	$856.07	$227.84	$171.21
46916	T	Cryosurgery, anal lesion(s)	0013	1.10	$57.21	$14.30	$11.44
46917	T	Laser surgery, anal lesions	0695	19.65	$1,021.98	$266.59	$204.40
46922	T	Excision of anal lesion(s)	0695	19.65	$1,021.98	$266.59	$204.40
46924	T	Destruction, anal lesion(s)	0695	19.65	$1,021.98	$266.59	$204.40
46934	T	Destruction of hemorrhoids	0155	10.05	$522.69	$188.17	$104.54
46935	T	Destruction of hemorrhoids	0155	10.05	$522.69	$188.17	$104.54
46936	T	Destruction of hemorrhoids	0149	16.91	$879.47	$293.06	$175.89

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46937	T	Cryotherapy of rectal lesion	0149	16.91	$879.47	$293.06	$175.89
46938	T	Cryotherapy of rectal lesion	0150	22.02	$1,145.24	$437.12	$229.05
46940	T	Treatment of anal fissure	0149	16.91	$879.47	$293.06	$175.89
46942	T	Treatment of anal fissure	0148	3.61	$187.75	$67.59	$37.55
46945	T	Ligation of hemorrhoids	0155	10.05	$522.69	$188.17	$104.54
46946	T	Ligation of hemorrhoids	0155	10.05	$522.69	$188.17	$104.54
46999	T	Anus surgery procedure	0148	3.61	$187.75	$67.59	$37.55
47000	T	Needle biopsy of liver	0685	4.47	$232.48	$102.29	$46.50
47001	N	Needle biopsy, liver add-on					
47010	C	Open drainage, liver lesion					
47011	T	Percut drain, liver lesion	0005	3.02	$157.07	$69.11	$31.41
47015	C	Inject/aspirate liver cyst					
47100	C	Wedge biopsy of liver					
47120	C	Partial removal of liver					
47122	C	Extensive removal of liver					
47125	C	Partial removal of liver					
47130	C	Partial removal of liver					
47133	C	Removal of donor liver					
47134	C	Partial removal, donor liver					
47135	C	Transplantation of liver					
47136	C	Transplantation of liver					
47300	C	Surgery for liver lesion					
47350	C	Repair liver wound					
47360	C	Repair liver wound					
47361	C	Repair liver wound					
47362	C	Repair liver wound					
47370	T	Laparo ablate liver tumor rf	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
47371	T	Laparo ablate liver cryosug	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
47379	T	Laparoscope procedure, liver	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
47380	C	Open ablate liver tumor rf					
47381	C	Open ablate liver tumor cryo					
47382	T	Percut ablate liver rf	0980		$1,875.00		$375.00
47399	T	Liver surgery procedure	0005	3.02	$157.07	$69.11	$31.41
47400	C	Incision of liver duct					
47420	C	Incision of bile duct					
47425	C	Incision of bile duct					
47460	C	Incise bile duct sphincter					
47480	C	Incision of gallbladder					
47490	T	Incision of gallbladder	0152	6.18	$321.42	$80.36	$64.28
47500	N	Injection for liver x-rays					
47505	N	Injection for liver x-rays					
47510	T	Insert catheter, bile duct	0152	6.18	$321.42	$80.36	$64.28
47511	T	Insert bile duct drain	0152	6.18	$321.42	$80.36	$64.28
47525	T	Change bile duct catheter	0122	3.89	$202.32	$46.53	$40.46
47530	T	Revise/reinsert bile tube	0121	2.17	$112.86	$45.14	$22.57
47550	C	Bile duct endoscopy add-on					
47552	T	Biliary endoscopy thru skin	0152	6.18	$321.42	$80.36	$64.28
47553	T	Biliary endoscopy thru skin	0152	6.18	$321.42	$80.36	$64.28
47554	T	Biliary endoscopy thru skin	0152	6.18	$321.42	$80.36	$64.28
47555	T	Biliary endoscopy thru skin	0152	6.18	$321.42	$80.36	$64.28
47556	T	Biliary endoscopy thru skin	0152	6.18	$321.42	$80.36	$64.28
47560	T	Laparoscopy w/cholangio	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
47561	T	Laparo w/cholangio/biopsy	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
47562	T	Laparoscopic cholecystectomy	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
47563	T	Laparo cholecystectomy/graph	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
47564	T	Laparo cholecystectomy/explr	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
47570	C	Laparo cholecystoenterostomy					
47579	T	Laparoscope proc, biliary	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
47600	C	Removal of gallbladder					
47605	C	Removal of gallbladder					
47610	C	Removal of gallbladder					
47612	C	Removal of gallbladder					
47620	C	Removal of gallbladder					
47630	T	Remove bile duct stone	0152	6.18	$321.42	$80.36	$64.28
47700	C	Exploration of bile ducts					
47701	C	Bile duct revision					

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47711	C	Excision of bile duct tumor					
47712	C	Excision of bile duct tumor					
47715	C	Excision of bile duct cyst					
47716	C	Fusion of bile duct cyst					
47720	C	Fuse gallbladder & bowel					
47721	C	Fuse upper gi structures					
47740	C	Fuse gallbladder & bowel					
47741	C	Fuse gallbladder & bowel					
47760	C	Fuse bile ducts and bowel					
47765	C	Fuse liver ducts & bowel					
47780	C	Fuse bile ducts and bowel					
47785	C	Fuse bile ducts and bowel					
47800	C	Reconstruction of bile ducts					
47801	C	Placement, bile duct support					
47802	C	Fuse liver duct & intestine					
47900	C	Suture bile duct injury					
47999	T	Bile tract surgery procedure	0152	6.18	$321.42	$80.36	$64.28
48000	C	Drainage of abdomen					
48001	C	Placement of drain, pancreas					
48005	C	Resect/debride pancreas					
48020	C	Removal of pancreatic stone					
48100	C	Biopsy of pancreas, open					
48102	T	Needle biopsy, pancreas	0685	4.47	$232.48	$102.29	$46.50
48120	C	Removal of pancreas lesion					
48140	C	Partial removal of pancreas					
48145	C	Partial removal of pancreas					
48146	C	Pancreatectomy					
48148	C	Removal of pancreatic duct					
48150	C	Partial removal of pancreas					
48152	C	Pancreatectomy					
48153	C	Pancreatectomy					
48154	C	Pancreatectomy					
48155	C	Removal of pancreas					
48160	E	Pancreas removal/transplant					
48180	C	Fuse pancreas and bowel					
48400	C	Injection, intraop add-on					
48500	C	Surgery of pancreatic cyst					
48510	C	Drain pancreatic pseudocyst					
48511	T	Drain pancreatic pseudocyst	0005	3.02	$157.07	$69.11	$31.41
48520	C	Fuse pancreas cyst and bowel					
48540	C	Fuse pancreas cyst and bowel					
48545	C	Pancreatorrhaphy					
48547	C	Duodenal exclusion					
48550	E	Donor pancreatectomy					
48554	E	Transpl allograft pancreas					
48556	C	Removal, allograft pancreas					
48999	T	Pancreas surgery procedure	0005	3.02	$157.07	$69.11	$31.41
49000	C	Exploration of abdomen					
49002	C	Reopening of abdomen					
49010	C	Exploration behind abdomen					
49020	C	Drain abdominal abscess					
49021	C	Drain abdominal abscess					
49040	C	Drain, open, abdom abscess					
49041	C	Drain, percut, abdom abscess					
49060	C	Drain, open, retrop abscess					
49061	C	Drain, percut, retroper absc					
49062	C	Drain to peritoneal cavity					
49080	T	Puncture, peritoneal cavity	0070	3.30	$171.63		$34.33
49081	T	Removal of abdominal fluid	0070	3.30	$171.63		$34.33
49085	T	Remove abdomen foreign body	0153	25.99	$1,351.71	$540.68	$270.34
49180	T	Biopsy, abdominal mass	0685	4.47	$232.48	$102.29	$46.50
49200	T	Removal of abdominal lesion	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
49201	C	Removal of abdominal lesion					
49215	C	Excise sacral spine tumor					
49220	C	Multiple surgery, abdomen					
49250	T	Excision of umbilicus	0153	25.99	$1,351.71	$540.68	$270.34

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49255	C	Removal of omentum					
49320	T	Diag laparo separate proc	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
49321	T	Laparoscopy, biopsy	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
49322	T	Laparoscopy, aspiration	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
49323	T	Laparo drain lymphocele	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
49329	T	Laparo proc, abdm/per/oment	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
49400	N	Air injection into abdomen					
49420	T	Insert abdominal drain	0153	25.99	$1,351.71	$540.68	$270.34
49421	T	Insert abdominal drain	0153	25.99	$1,351.71	$540.68	$270.34
49422	T	Remove perm cannula/catheter	0105	19.14	$995.45	$370.40	$199.09
49423	T	Exchange drainage catheter	0152	6.18	$321.42	$80.36	$64.28
49424	N	Assess cyst, contrast inject					
49425	C	Insert abdomen-venous drain					
49426	T	Revise abdomen-venous shunt	0153	25.99	$1,351.71	$540.68	$270.34
49427	N	Injection, abdominal shunt					
49428	C	Ligation of shunt					
49429	T	Removal of shunt	0105	19.14	$995.45	$370.40	$199.09
49491	T	Repairing hern premie reduc	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49492	T	Rpr ing hern premie, blocked	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49495	T	Rpr ing hernia baby, reduc	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49496	T	Rpr ing hernia baby, blocked	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49500	T	Rpr ing hernia, init, reduce	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49501	T	Rpr ing hernia, init blocked	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49505	T	Rpr i/hern init reduc>5 yr	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49507	T	Rpr i/hern init block>5 yr	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49520	T	Rerepair ing hernia, reduce	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49521	T	Rerepair ing hernia, blocked	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49525	T	Repair ing hernia, sliding	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49540	T	Repair lumbar hernia	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49550	T	Rpr fem hernia, init, reduce	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49553	T	Rpr fem hernia, init blocked	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49555	T	Rerepair fem hernia, reduce	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49557	T	Rerepair fem hernia, blocked	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49560	T	Rpr ventral hern init, reduc	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49561	T	Rpr ventral hern init, block	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49565	T	Rerepair ventrl hern, reduce	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49566	T	Rerepair ventrl hern, block	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49568	T	Hernia repair w/mesh	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49570	T	Rpr epigastric hern, reduce	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49572	T	Rpr epigastric hern, blocked	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49580	T	Rpr umbil hern, reduc <5 yr	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49582	T	Rpr umbil hern, block < 5 yr	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49585	T	Rpr umbil hern, reduc > 5 yr	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49587	T	Rpr umbil hern, block > 5 yr	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49590	T	Repair spigelian hernia	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49600	T	Repair umbilical lesion	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
49605	C	Repair umbilical lesion					
49606	C	Repair umbilical lesion					
49610	C	Repair umbilical lesion					
49611	C	Repair umbilical lesion					
49650	T	Laparo hernia repair initial	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
49651	T	Laparo hernia repair recur	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
49659	T	Laparo proc, hernia repair	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
49900	C	Repair of abdominal wall					
49905	C	Omental flap					
49906	C	Free omental flap, microvasc					
49999	T	Abdomen surgery procedure	0153	25.99	$1,351.71	$540.68	$270.34
50010	C	Exploration of kidney					
50020	C	Renal abscess, open drain					
50021	T	Renal abscess, percut drain	0005	3.02	$157.07	$69.11	$31.41
50040	C	Drainage of kidney					
50045	C	Exploration of kidney					
50060	C	Removal of kidney stone					
50065	C	Incision of kidney					
50070	C	Incision of kidney					
50075	C	Removal of kidney stone					

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50080	T	Removal of kidney stone	0163	24.77	$1,288.26		$257.65
50081	T	Removal of kidney stone	0163	24.77	$1,288.26		$257.65
50100	C	Revise kidney blood vessels					
50120	C	Exploration of kidney					
50125	C	Explore and drain kidney					
50130	C	Removal of kidney stone					
50135	C	Exploration of kidney					
50200	T	Biopsy of kidney	0685	4.47	$232.48	$102.29	$46.50
50205	C	Biopsy of kidney					
50220	C	Remove kidney, open					
50225	C	Removal kidney open, complex					
50230	C	Removal kidney open, radical					
50234	C	Removal of kidney & ureter					
50236	C	Removal of kidney & ureter					
50240	C	Partial removal of kidney					
50280	C	Removal of kidney lesion					
50290	C	Removal of kidney lesion					
50300	C	Removal of donor kidney					
50320	C	Removal of donor kidney					
50340	C	Removal of kidney					
50360	C	Transplantation of kidney					
50365	C	Transplantation of kidney					
50370	C	Remove transplanted kidney					
50380	C	Reimplantation of kidney					
50390	T	Drainage of kidney lesion	0685	4.47	$232.48	$102.29	$46.50
50392	T	Insert kidney drain	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
50393	T	Insert ureteral tube	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
50394	N	Injection for kidney x-ray					
50395	T	Create passage to kidney	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
50396	T	Measure kidney pressure	0164	1.18	$61.37	$18.41	$12.27
50398	T	Change kidney tube	0122	3.89	$202.32	$46.53	$40.46
50400	C	Revision of kidney/ureter					
50405	C	Revision of kidney/ureter					
50500	C	Repair of kidney wound					
50520	C	Close kidney-skin fistula					
50525	C	Repair renal-abdomen fistula					
50526	C	Repair renal-abdomen fistula					
50540	C	Revision of horseshoe kidney					
50541	T	Laparo ablate renal cyst	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
50544	T	Laparoscopy, pyeloplasty	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
50545	C	Laparo radical nephrectomy					
50546	C	Laparoscopic nephrectomy					
50547	C	Laparo removal donor kidney					
50548	C	Laparo remove k/ureter					
50549	T	Laparoscope proc, renal	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
50551	T	Kidney endoscopy	0160	6.44	$334.94	$105.06	$66.99
50553	T	Kidney endoscopy	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
50555	T	Kidney endoscopy & biopsy	0160	6.44	$334.94	$105.06	$66.99
50557	T	Kidney endoscopy & treatment	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
50559	T	Renal endoscopy/radiotracer	0160	6.44	$334.94	$105.06	$66.99
50561	T	Kidney endoscopy & treatment	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
50570	C	Kidney endoscopy					
50572	C	Kidney endoscopy					
50574	C	Kidney endoscopy & biopsy					
50575	C	Kidney endoscopy					
50576	C	Kidney endoscopy & treatment					
50578	C	Renal endoscopy/radiotracer					
50580	C	Kidney endoscopy & treatment					
50590	T	Fragmenting of kidney stone	0169	46.44	$2,415.30	$1,115.69	$483.06
50600	C	Exploration of ureter					
50605	C	Insert ureteral support					
50610	C	Removal of ureter stone					
50620	C	Removal of ureter stone					
50630	C	Removal of ureter stone					
50650	C	Removal of ureter					
50660	C	Removal of ureter					

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50684	N	Injection for ureter x-ray					
50686	T	Measure ureter pressure	0164	1.18	$61.37	$18.41	$12.27
50688	T	Change of ureter tube	0121	2.17	$112.86	$45.14	$22.57
50690	N	Injection for ureter x-ray					
50700	C	Revision of ureter					
50715	C	Release of ureter					
50722	C	Release of ureter					
50725	C	Release/revise ureter					
50727	C	Revise ureter					
50728	C	Revise ureter					
50740	C	Fusion of ureter & kidney					
50750	C	Fusion of ureter & kidney					
50760	C	Fusion of ureters					
50770	C	Splicing of ureters					
50780	C	Reimplant ureter in bladder					
50782	C	Reimplant ureter in bladder					
50783	C	Reimplant ureter in bladder					
50785	C	Reimplant ureter in bladder					
50800	C	Implant ureter in bowel					
50810	C	Fusion of ureter & bowel					
50815	C	Urine shunt to intestine					
50820	C	Construct bowel bladder					
50825	C	Construct bowel bladder					
50830	C	Revise urine flow					
50840	C	Replace ureter by bowel					
50845	C	Appendico-vesicostomy					
50860	C	Transplant ureter to skin					
50900	C	Repair of ureter					
50920	C	Closure ureter/skin fistula					
50930	C	Closure ureter/bowel fistula					
50940	C	Release of ureter					
50945	T	Laparoscopy ureterolithotomy	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
50947	T	Laparo new ureter/bladder	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
50948	T	Laparo new ureter/bladder	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
50949	T	Laparoscope proc, ureter	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
50951	T	Endoscopy of ureter	0160	6.44	$334.94	$105.06	$66.99
50953	T	Endoscopy of ureter	0160	6.44	$334.94	$105.06	$66.99
50955	T	Ureter endoscopy & biopsy	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
50957	T	Ureter endoscopy & treatment	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
50959	T	Ureter endoscopy & tracer	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
50961	T	Ureter endoscopy & treatment	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
50970	T	Ureter endoscopy	0160	6.44	$334.94	$105.06	$66.99
50972	T	Ureter endoscopy & catheter	0160	6.44	$334.94	$105.06	$66.99
50974	T	Ureter endoscopy & biopsy	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
50976	T	Ureter endoscopy & treatment	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
50978	T	Ureter endoscopy & tracer	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
50980	T	Ureter endoscopy & treatment	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
51000	T	Drainage of bladder	0165	12.62	$656.35		$131.27
51005	T	Drainage of bladder	0164	1.18	$61.37	$18.41	$12.27
51010	T	Drainage of bladder	0165	12.62	$656.35		$131.27
51020	T	Incise & treat bladder	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
51030	T	Incise & treat bladder	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
51040	T	Incise & drain bladder	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
51045	T	Incise bladder/drain ureter	0160	6.44	$334.94	$105.06	$66.99
51050	T	Removal of bladder stone	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
51060	C	Removal of ureter stone					
51065	T	Remove ureter calculus	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
51080	T	Drainage of bladder abscess	0007	9.44	$490.96	$103.10	$98.19
51500	T	Removal of bladder cyst	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
51520	T	Removal of bladder lesion	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
51525	C	Removal of bladder lesion					
51530	C	Removal of bladder lesion					
51535	C	Repair of ureter lesion					
51550	C	Partial removal of bladder					
51555	C	Partial removal of bladder					
51565	C	Revise bladder & ureter(s)					

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51570	C	Removal of bladder					
51575	C	Removal of bladder & nodes					
51580	C	Remove bladder/revise tract					
51585	C	Removal of bladder & nodes					
51590	C	Remove bladder/revise tract					
51595	C	Remove bladder/revise tract					
51596	C	Remove bladder/create pouch					
51597	C	Removal of pelvic structures					
51600	N	Injection for bladder x-ray					
51605	N	Preparation for bladder xray					
51610	N	Injection for bladder x-ray					
51700	T	Irrigation of bladder	0164	1.18	$61.37	$18.41	$12.27
51705	T	Change of bladder tube	0121	2.17	$112.86	$45.14	$22.57
51710	T	Change of bladder tube	0121	2.17	$112.86	$45.14	$22.57
51715	T	Endoscopic injection/implant	0167	27.15	$1,412.04	$555.84	$282.41
51720	T	Treatment of bladder lesion	0156	3.10	$161.23	$48.37	$32.25
51725	T	Simple cystometrogram	0156	3.10	$161.23	$48.37	$32.25
51726	T	Complex cystometrogram	0156	3.10	$161.23	$48.37	$32.25
51736	T	Urine flow measurement	0164	1.18	$61.37	$18.41	$12.27
51741	T	Electro-uroflowmetry, first	0164	1.18	$61.37	$18.41	$12.27
51772	T	Urethra pressure profile	0164	1.18	$61.37	$18.41	$12.27
51784	T	Anal/urinary muscle study	0164	1.18	$61.37	$18.41	$12.27
51785	T	Anal/urinary muscle study	0164	1.18	$61.37	$18.41	$12.27
51792	T	Urinary reflex study	0164	1.18	$61.37	$18.41	$12.27
51795	T	Urine voiding pressure study	0164	1.18	$61.37	$18.41	$12.27
51797	T	Intraabdominal pressure test	0164	1.18	$61.37	$18.41	$12.27
51800	C	Revision of bladder/urethra					
51820	C	Revision of urinary tract					
51840	C	Attach bladder/urethra					
51841	C	Attach bladder/urethra					
51845	C	Repair bladder neck					
51860	C	Repair of bladder wound					
51865	C	Repair of bladder wound					
51880	T	Repair of bladder opening	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
51900	C	Repair bladder/vagina lesion					
51920	C	Close bladder-uterus fistula					
51925	C	Hysterectomy/bladder repair					
51940	C	Correction of bladder defect					
51960	C	Revision of bladder & bowel					
51980	C	Construct bladder opening					
51990	T	Laparo urethral suspension	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
51992	T	Laparo sling operation	0132	57.95	$3,013.92	$1,239.22	$602.78
52000	T	Cystoscopy	0160	6.44	$334.94	$105.06	$66.99
52001	T	Cystoscopy, removal of clots	0160	6.44	$334.94	$105.06	$66.99
52005	T	Cystoscopy & ureter catheter	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
52007	T	Cystoscopy and biopsy	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
52010	T	Cystoscopy & duct catheter	0160	6.44	$334.94	$105.06	$66.99
52204	T	Cystoscopy	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
52214	T	Cystoscopy and treatment	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52224	T	Cystoscopy and treatment	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52234	T	Cystoscopy and treatment	0163	24.77	$1,288.26		$257.65
52235	T	Cystoscopy and treatment	0163	24.77	$1,288.26		$257.65
52240	T	Cystoscopy and treatment	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52250	T	Cystoscopy and radiotracer	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52260	T	Cystoscopy and treatment	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
52265	T	Cystoscopy and treatment	0160	6.44	$334.94	$105.06	$66.99
52270	T	Cystoscopy & revise urethra	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
52275	T	Cystoscopy & revise urethra	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
52276	T	Cystoscopy and treatment	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
52277	T	Cystoscopy and treatment	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52281	T	Cystoscopy and treatment	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
52282	T	Cystoscopy, implant stent	0163	24.77	$1,288.26		$257.65
52283	T	Cystoscopy and treatment	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
52285	T	Cystoscopy and treatment	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
52290	T	Cystoscopy and treatment	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
52300	T	Cystoscopy and treatment	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74

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52301	T	Cystoscopy and treatment	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
52305	T	Cystoscopy and treatment	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
52310	T	Cystoscopy and treatment	0160	6.44	$334.94	$105.06	$66.99
52315	T	Cystoscopy and treatment	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
52317	T	Remove bladder stone	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52318	T	Remove bladder stone	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52320	T	Cystoscopy and treatment	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52325	T	Cystoscopy, stone removal	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52327	T	Cystoscopy, inject material	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52330	T	Cystoscopy and treatment	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52332	T	Cystoscopy and treatment	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52334	T	Create passage to kidney	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52341	T	Cysto w/ureter stricture tx	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52342	T	Cysto w/up stricture tx	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52343	T	Cysto w/renal stricture tx	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52344	T	Cysto/uretero, stone remove	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52345	T	Cysto/uretero w/up stricture	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52346	T	Cystouretero w/renal strict	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52347	T	Cystoscopy, resect ducts	0160	6.44	$334.94	$105.06	$66.99
52351	T	Cystouretro & or pyeloscope	0160	6.44	$334.94	$105.06	$66.99
52352	T	Cystouretro w/stone remove	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52353	T	Cystouretero w/lithotripsy	0163	24.77	$1,288.26		$257.65
52354	T	Cystouretero w/biopsy	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52355	T	Cystouretero w/excise tumor	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52400	T	Cystouretero w/congen repr	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52450	T	Incision of prostate	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52500	T	Revision of bladder neck	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52510	T	Dilation prostatic urethra	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
52601	T	Prostatectomy (TURP)	0163	24.77	$1,288.26		$257.65
52606	T	Control postop bleeding	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52612	T	Prostatectomy, first stage	0163	24.77	$1,288.26		$257.65
52614	T	Prostatectomy, second stage	0163	24.77	$1,288.26		$257.65
52620	T	Remove residual prostate	0163	24.77	$1,288.26		$257.65
52630	T	Remove prostate regrowth	0163	24.77	$1,288.26		$257.65
52640	T	Relieve bladder contracture	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
52647	T	Laser surgery of prostate	0163	24.77	$1,288.26		$257.65
52648	T	Laser surgery of prostate	0163	24.77	$1,288.26		$257.65
52700	T	Drainage of prostate abscess	0162	21.50	$1,118.19		$223.64
53000	T	Incision of urethra	0166	15.63	$812.90	$218.73	$162.58
53010	T	Incision of urethra	0166	15.63	$812.90	$218.73	$162.58
53020	T	Incision of urethra	0166	15.63	$812.90	$218.73	$162.58
53025	T	Incision of urethra	0166	15.63	$812.90	$218.73	$162.58
53040	T	Drainage of urethra abscess	0166	15.63	$812.90	$218.73	$162.58
53060	T	Drainage of urethra abscess	0166	15.63	$812.90	$218.73	$162.58
53080	T	Drainage of urinary leakage	0166	15.63	$812.90	$218.73	$162.58
53085	C	Drainage of urinary leakage					
53200	T	Biopsy of urethra	0166	15.63	$812.90	$218.73	$162.58
53210	T	Removal of urethra	0168	24.10	$1,253.42	$405.60	$250.68
53215	T	Removal of urethra	0168	24.10	$1,253.42	$405.60	$250.68
53220	T	Treatment of urethra lesion	0168	24.10	$1,253.42	$405.60	$250.68
53230	T	Removal of urethra lesion	0168	24.10	$1,253.42	$405.60	$250.68
53235	T	Removal of urethra lesion	0168	24.10	$1,253.42	$405.60	$250.68
53240	T	Surgery for urethra pouch	0168	24.10	$1,253.42	$405.60	$250.68
53250	T	Removal of urethra gland	0166	15.63	$812.90	$218.73	$162.58
53260	T	Treatment of urethra lesion	0166	15.63	$812.90	$218.73	$162.58
53265	T	Treatment of urethra lesion	0166	15.63	$812.90	$218.73	$162.58
53270	T	Removal of urethra gland	0167	27.15	$1,412.04	$555.84	$282.41
53275	T	Repair of urethra defect	0166	15.63	$812.90	$218.73	$162.58
53400	T	Revise urethra, stage 1	0168	24.10	$1,253.42	$405.60	$250.68
53405	T	Revise urethra, stage 2	0168	24.10	$1,253.42	$405.60	$250.68
53410	T	Reconstruction of urethra	0168	24.10	$1,253.42	$405.60	$250.68
53415	C	Reconstruction of urethra					
53420	T	Reconstruct urethra, stage 1	0168	24.10	$1,253.42	$405.60	$250.68
53425	T	Reconstruct urethra, stage 2	0168	24.10	$1,253.42	$405.60	$250.68
53430	T	Reconstruction of urethra	0168	24.10	$1,253.42	$405.60	$250.68
53431	T	Reconstruct urethra/bladder	0168	24.10	$1,253.42	$405.60	$250.68

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53440	T	Correct bladder function	0179	81.28	$4,227.29	$1,817.73	$845.46
53442	T	Remove perineal prosthesis	0166	15.63	$812.90	$218.73	$162.58
53444	T	Insert tandem cuff	0179	81.28	$4,227.29	$1,817.73	$845.46
53445	T	Insert uro/ves nck sphincter	0179	81.28	$4,227.29	$1,817.73	$845.46
53446	T	Remove uro sphincter	0168	24.10	$1,253.42	$405.60	$250.68
53447	T	Remove/replace ur sphincter	0179	81.28	$4,227.29	$1,817.73	$845.46
53448	C	Remov/replc ur sphinctr comp					
53449	T	Repair uro sphincter	0168	24.10	$1,253.42	$405.60	$250.68
53450	T	Revision of urethra	0168	24.10	$1,253.42	$405.60	$250.68
53460	T	Revision of urethra	0168	24.10	$1,253.42	$405.60	$250.68
53502	T	Repair of urethra injury	0166	15.63	$812.90	$218.73	$162.58
53505	T	Repair of urethra injury	0167	27.15	$1,412.04	$555.84	$282.41
53510	T	Repair of urethra injury	0166	15.63	$812.90	$218.73	$162.58
53515	T	Repair of urethra injury	0168	24.10	$1,253.42	$405.60	$250.68
53520	T	Repair of urethra defect	0168	24.10	$1,253.42	$405.60	$250.68
53600	T	Dilate urethra stricture	0156	3.10	$161.23	$48.37	$32.25
53601	T	Dilate urethra stricture	0164	1.18	$61.37	$18.41	$12.27
53605	T	Dilate urethra stricture	0161	16.03	$833.70	$249.36	$166.74
53620	T	Dilate urethra stricture	0165	12.62	$656.35		$131.27
53621	T	Dilate urethra stricture	0164	1.18	$61.37	$18.41	$12.27
53660	T	Dilation of urethra	0164	1.18	$61.37	$18.41	$12.27
53661	T	Dilation of urethra	0164	1.18	$61.37	$18.41	$12.27
53665	T	Dilation of urethra	0166	15.63	$812.90	$218.73	$162.58
53670	N	Insert urinary catheter					
53675	T	Insert urinary catheter	0164	1.18	$61.37	$18.41	$12.27
53850	T	Prostatic microwave thermotx	0675	51.57	$2,682.10		$536.42
53852	T	Prostatic rf thermotx	0675	51.57	$2,682.10		$536.42
53853	T	Prostatic water thermother	0977		$1,125.00		$225.00
53899	T	Urology surgery procedure	0164	1.18	$61.37	$18.41	$12.27
54000	T	Slitting of prepuce	0166	15.63	$812.90	$218.73	$162.58
54001	T	Slitting of prepuce	0166	15.63	$812.90	$218.73	$162.58
54015	T	Drain penis lesion	0007	9.44	$490.96	$103.10	$98.19
54050	T	Destruction, penis lesion(s)	0013	1.10	$57.21	$14.30	$11.44
54055	T	Destruction, penis lesion(s)	0017	16.46	$856.07	$227.84	$171.21
54056	T	Cryosurgery, penis lesion(s)	0012	0.76	$39.53	$10.67	$7.91
54057	T	Laser surg, penis lesion(s)	0017	16.46	$856.07	$227.84	$171.21
54060	T	Excision of penis lesion(s)	0017	16.46	$856.07	$227.84	$171.21
54065	T	Destruction, penis lesion(s)	0695	19.65	$1,021.98	$266.59	$204.40
54100	T	Biopsy of penis	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
54105	T	Biopsy of penis	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
54110	T	Treatment of penis lesion	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54111	T	Treat penis lesion, graft	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54112	T	Treat penis lesion, graft	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54115	T	Treatment of penis lesion	0008	16.32	$848.79		$169.76
54120	T	Partial removal of penis	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54125	C	Removal of penis					
54130	C	Remove penis & nodes					
54135	C	Remove penis & nodes					
54150	T	Circumcision	0180	18.95	$985.57	$304.87	$197.11
54152	T	Circumcision	0180	18.95	$985.57	$304.87	$197.11
54160	T	Circumcision	0180	18.95	$985.57	$304.87	$197.11
54161	T	Circumcision	0180	18.95	$985.57	$304.87	$197.11
54162	T	Lysis penil circumcis lesion	0180	18.95	$985.57	$304.87	$197.11
54163	T	Repair of circumcision	0180	18.95	$985.57	$304.87	$197.11
54164	T	Frenulotomy of penis	0180	18.95	$985.57	$304.87	$197.11
54200	T	Treatment of penis lesion	0156	3.10	$161.23	$48.37	$32.25
54205	T	Treatment of penis lesion	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54220	T	Treatment of penis lesion	0156	3.10	$161.23	$48.37	$32.25
54230	N	Prepare penis study					
54231	T	Dynamic cavernosometry	0165	12.62	$656.35		$131.27
54235	T	Penile injection	0164	1.18	$61.37	$18.41	$12.27
54240	T	Penis study	0164	1.18	$61.37	$18.41	$12.27
54250	T	Penis study	0165	12.62	$656.35		$131.27
54300	T	Revision of penis	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54304	T	Revision of penis	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54308	T	Reconstruction of urethra	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81

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54312	T	Reconstruction of urethra	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54316	T	Reconstruction of urethra	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54318	T	Reconstruction of urethra	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54322	T	Reconstruction of urethra	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54324	T	Reconstruction of urethra	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54326	T	Reconstruction of urethra	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54328	T	Revise penis/urethra	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54332	C	Revise penis/urethra					
54336	C	Revise penis/urethra					
54340	T	Secondary urethral surgery	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54344	T	Secondary urethral surgery	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54348	T	Secondary urethral surgery	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54352	T	Reconstruct urethra/penis	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54360	T	Penis plastic surgery	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54380	T	Repair penis	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54385	T	Repair penis	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54390	C	Repair penis and bladder					
54400	T	Insert semi-rigid prosthesis	0182	83.80	$4,358.35	$1,438.26	$871.67
54401	T	Insert self-contd prosthesis	0182	83.80	$4,358.35	$1,438.26	$871.67
54405	T	Insert multi-comp penis pros	0182	83.80	$4,358.35	$1,438.26	$871.67
54406	T	Remove multi-comp penis pros	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54408	T	Repair multi-comp penis pros	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54410	T	Remove/replace penis prosth	0182	83.80	$4,358.35	$1,438.26	$871.67
54411	C	Remv/replc penis pros, comp					
54415	T	Remove self-contd penis pros	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54416	T	Remv/repl penis contain pros	0182	83.80	$4,358.35	$1,438.26	$871.67
54417	C	Remv/replc penis pros, compl					
54420	T	Revision of penis	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54430	C	Revision of penis					
54435	T	Revision of penis	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54440	T	Repair of penis	0181	29.88	$1,554.03	$621.82	$310.81
54450	T	Preputial stretching	0156	3.10	$161.23	$48.37	$32.25
54500	T	Biopsy of testis	0005	3.02	$157.07	$69.11	$31.41
54505	T	Biopsy of testis	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
54512	T	Excise lesion testis	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
54520	T	Removal of testis	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
54522	T	Orchiectomy, partial	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
54530	T	Removal of testis	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
54535	C	Extensive testis surgery					
54550	T	Exploration for testis	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
54560	C	Exploration for testis					
54600	T	Reduce testis torsion	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
54620	T	Suspension of testis	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
54640	T	Suspension of testis	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
54650	C	Orchiopexy (Fowler-Stephens)					
54660	T	Revision of testis	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
54670	T	Repair testis injury	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
54680	T	Relocation of testis(es)	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
54690	T	Laparoscopy, orchiectomy	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
54692	T	Laparoscopy, orchiopexy	0132	57.95	$3,013.92	$1,239.22	$602.78
54699	T	Laparoscope proc, testis	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
54700	T	Drainage of scrotum	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
54800	T	Biopsy of epididymis	0004	1.63	$84.77	$22.04	$16.95
54820	T	Exploration of epididymis	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
54830	T	Remove epididymis lesion	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
54840	T	Remove epididymis lesion	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
54860	T	Removal of epididymis	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
54861	T	Removal of epididymis	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
54900	T	Fusion of spermatic ducts	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
54901	T	Fusion of spermatic ducts	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
55000	T	Drainage of hydrocele	0004	1.63	$84.77	$22.04	$16.95
55040	T	Removal of hydrocele	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
55041	T	Removal of hydroceles	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
55060	T	Repair of hydrocele	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
55100	T	Drainage of scrotum abscess	0007	9.44	$490.96	$103.10	$98.19
55110	T	Explore scrotum	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82

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55120	T	Removal of scrotum lesion	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
55150	T	Removal of scrotum	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
55175	T	Revision of scrotum	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
55180	T	Revision of scrotum	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
55200	T	Incision of sperm duct	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
55250	T	Removal of sperm duct(s)	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
55300	N	Prepare, sperm duct x-ray	....	....	....	....	....
55400	T	Repair of sperm duct	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
55450	T	Ligation of sperm duct	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
55500	T	Removal of hydrocele	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
55520	T	Removal of sperm cord lesion	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
55530	T	Revise spermatic cord veins	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
55535	T	Revise spermatic cord veins	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
55540	T	Revise hernia & sperm veins	0154	26.98	$1,403.20	$491.12	$280.64
55550	T	Laparo ligate spermatic vein	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
55559	T	Laparo proc, spermatic cord	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
55600	C	Incise sperm duct pouch	....	....	....	....	....
55605	C	Incise sperm duct pouch	....	....	....	....	....
55650	C	Remove sperm duct pouch	....	....	....	....	....
55680	T	Remove sperm pouch lesion	0183	22.19	$1,154.08	$448.94	$230.82
55700	T	Biopsy of prostate	0184	3.66	$190.35	$95.18	$38.07
55705	T	Biopsy of prostate	0184	3.66	$190.35	$95.18	$38.07
55720	T	Drainage of prostate abscess	0162	21.50	$1,118.19	....	$223.64
55725	T	Drainage of prostate abscess	0162	21.50	$1,118.19	....	$223.64
55801	C	Removal of prostate	....	....	....	....	....
55810	C	Extensive prostate surgery	....	....	....	....	....
55812	C	Extensive prostate surgery	....	....	....	....	....
55815	C	Extensive prostate surgery	....	....	....	....	....
55821	C	Removal of prostate	....	....	....	....	....
55831	C	Removal of prostate	....	....	....	....	....
55840	C	Extensive prostate surgery	....	....	....	....	....
55842	C	Extensive prostate surgery	....	....	....	....	....
55845	C	Extensive prostate surgery	....	....	....	....	....
55859	T	Percut/needle insert, pros	0163	24.77	$1,288.26	....	$257.65
55860	T	Surgical exposure, prostate	0165	12.62	$656.35	....	$131.27
55862	C	Extensive prostate surgery	....	....	....	....	....
55865	C	Extensive prostate surgery	....	....	....	....	....
55870	T	Electroejaculation	0197	1.19	$61.89	$24.76	$12.38
55873	T	Cryoablate prostate	0674	69.25	$3,601.62	....	$720.32
55899	T	Genital surgery procedure	0164	1.18	$61.37	$18.41	$12.27
55970	E	Sex transformation, M to F	....	....	....	....	....
55980	E	Sex transformation, F to M	....	....	....	....	....
56405	T	I & D of vulva/perineum	0192	2.94	$152.91	$42.81	$30.58
56420	T	Drainage of gland abscess	0192	2.94	$152.91	$42.81	$30.58
56440	T	Surgery for vulva lesion	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
56441	T	Lysis of labial lesion(s)	0193	14.57	$757.77	$171.13	$151.55
56501	T	Destroy, vulva lesions, simp	0017	16.46	$856.07	$227.84	$171.21
56515	T	Destroy vulva lesion/s compl	0695	19.65	$1,021.98	$266.59	$204.40
56605	T	Biopsy of vulva/perineum	0019	3.94	$204.92	$75.82	$40.98
56606	T	Biopsy of vulva/perineum	0019	3.94	$204.92	$75.82	$40.98
56620	T	Partial removal of vulva	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
56625	T	Complete removal of vulva	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
56630	C	Extensive vulva surgery	....	....	....	....	....
56631	C	Extensive vulva surgery	....	....	....	....	....
56632	C	Extensive vulva surgery	....	....	....	....	....
56633	C	Extensive vulva surgery	....	....	....	....	....
56634	C	Extensive vulva surgery	....	....	....	....	....
56637	C	Extensive vulva surgery	....	....	....	....	....
56640	C	Extensive vulva surgery	....	....	....	....	....
56700	T	Partial removal of hymen	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
56720	T	Incision of hymen	0193	14.57	$757.77	$171.13	$151.55
56740	T	Remove vagina gland lesion	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
56800	T	Repair of vagina	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
56805	T	Repair clitoris	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
56810	T	Repair of perineum	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
57000	T	Exploration of vagina	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39

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57010	T	Drainage of pelvic abscess	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
57020	T	Drainage of pelvic fluid	0192	2.94	$152.91	$42.81	$30.58
57022	T	I & d vaginal hematoma, pp	0007	9.44	$490.96	$103.10	$98.19
57023	T	I & d vag hematoma, non-ob	0007	9.44	$490.96	$103.10	$98.19
57061	T	Destroy vag lesions, simple	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
57065	T	Destroy vag lesions, complex	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
57100	T	Biopsy of vagina	0192	2.94	$152.91	$42.81	$30.58
57105	T	Biopsy of vagina	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
57106	T	Remove vagina wall, partial	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
57107	T	Remove vagina tissue, part	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
57109	T	Vaginectomy partial w/nodes	0202	39.09	$2,033.03	$996.18	$406.61
57110	C	Remove vagina wall, complete					
57111	C	Remove vagina tissue, compl					
57112	C	Vaginectomy w/nodes, compl					
57120	T	Closure of vagina	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
57130	T	Remove vagina lesion	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
57135	T	Remove vagina lesion	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
57150	T	Treat vagina infection	0191	0.22	$11.44	$3.32	$2.29
57155	T	Insert uteri tandems/ovoids	0192	2.94	$152.91	$42.81	$30.58
57160	T	Insert pessary/other device	0188	1.12	$58.25	$11.95	$11.65
57170	T	Fitting of diaphragm/cap	0191	0.22	$11.44	$3.32	$2.29
57180	T	Treat vaginal bleeding	0192	2.94	$152.91	$42.81	$30.58
57200	T	Repair of vagina	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
57210	T	Repair vagina/perineum	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
57220	T	Revision of urethra	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
57230	T	Repair of urethral lesion	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
57240	T	Repair bladder & vagina	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
57250	T	Repair rectum & vagina	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
57260	T	Repair of vagina	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
57265	T	Extensive repair of vagina	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
57268	T	Repair of bowel bulge	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
57270	C	Repair of bowel pouch					
57280	C	Suspension of vagina					
57282	C	Repair of vaginal prolapse					
57284	T	Repair paravaginal defect	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
57287	T	Revise/remove sling repair	0202	39.09	$2,033.03	$996.18	$406.61
57288	T	Repair bladder defect	0202	39.09	$2,033.03	$996.18	$406.61
57289	T	Repair bladder & vagina	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
57291	T	Construction of vagina	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
57292	C	Construct vagina with graft					
57300	T	Repair rectum-vagina fistula	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
57305	C	Repair rectum-vagina fistula					
57307	C	Fistula repair & colostomy					
57308	C	Fistula repair, transperine					
57310	T	Repair urethrovaginal lesion	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
57311	C	Repair urethrovaginal lesion					
57320	T	Repair bladder-vagina lesion	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
57330	T	Repair bladder-vagina lesion	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
57335	C	Repair vagina					
57400	T	Dilation of vagina	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
57410	T	Pelvic examination	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
57415	T	Remove vaginal foreign body	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
57452	T	Examination of vagina	0189	1.63	$84.77	$18.60	$16.95
57454	T	Vagina examination & biopsy	0192	2.94	$152.91	$42.81	$30.58
57460	T	Cervix excision	0193	14.57	$757.77	$171.13	$151.55
57500	T	Biopsy of cervix	0192	2.94	$152.91	$42.81	$30.58
57505	T	Endocervical curettage	0192	2.94	$152.91	$42.81	$30.58
57510	T	Cauterization of cervix	0193	14.57	$757.77	$171.13	$151.55
57511	T	Cryocautery of cervix	0189	1.63	$84.77	$18.60	$16.95
57513	T	Laser surgery of cervix	0193	14.57	$757.77	$171.13	$151.55
57520	T	Conization of cervix	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
57522	T	Conization of cervix	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
57530	T	Removal of cervix	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
57531	C	Removal of cervix, radical					
57540	C	Removal of residual cervix					
57545	C	Remove cervix/repair pelvis					

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57550	T	Removal of residual cervix	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
57555	T	Remove cervix/repair vagina	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
57556	T	Remove cervix, repair bowel	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
57700	T	Revision of cervix	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
57720	T	Revision of cervix	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
57800	T	Dilation of cervical canal	0192	2.94	$152.91	$42.81	$30.58
57820	T	D & c of residual cervix	0196	16.32	$848.79	$338.23	$169.76
58100	T	Biopsy of uterus lining	0188	1.12	$58.25	$11.95	$11.65
58120	T	Dilation and curettage	0196	16.32	$848.79	$338.23	$169.76
58140	C	Removal of uterus lesion					
58145	T	Removal of uterus lesion	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
58150	C	Total hysterectomy					
58152	C	Total hysterectomy					
58180	C	Partial hysterectomy					
58200	C	Extensive hysterectomy					
58210	C	Extensive hysterectomy					
58240	C	Removal of pelvis contents					
58260	C	Vaginal hysterectomy					
58262	C	Vaginal hysterectomy					
58263	C	Vaginal hysterectomy					
58267	C	Hysterectomy & vagina repair					
58270	C	Hysterectomy & vagina repair					
58275	C	Hysterectomy/revise vagina					
58280	C	Hysterectomy/revise vagina					
58285	C	Extensive hysterectomy					
58300	E	Insert intrauterine device					
58301	T	Remove intrauterine device	0189	1.63	$84.77	$18.60	$16.95
58321	T	Artificial insemination	0197	1.19	$61.89	$24.76	$12.38
58322	T	Artificial insemination	0197	1.19	$61.89	$24.76	$12.38
58323	T	Sperm washing	0197	1.19	$61.89	$24.76	$12.38
58340	N	Catheter for hysterography					
58345	T	Reopen fallopian tube	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
58346	T	Insert heyman uteri capsule	0192	2.94	$152.91	$42.81	$30.58
58350	T	Reopen fallopian tube	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
58353	T	Endometr ablate, thermal	0193	14.57	$757.77	$171.13	$151.55
58400	C	Suspension of uterus					
58410	C	Suspension of uterus					
58520	C	Repair of ruptured uterus					
58540	C	Revision of uterus					
58550	T	Laparo-asst vag hysterectomy	0132	57.95	$3,013.92	$1,239.22	$602.78
58551	T	Laparoscopy, remove myoma	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
58555	T	Hysteroscopy, dx, sep proc	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
58558	T	Hysteroscopy, biopsy	0190	20.06	$1,043.30	$424.28	$208.66
58559	T	Hysteroscopy, lysis	0190	20.06	$1,043.30	$424.28	$208.66
58560	T	Hysteroscopy, resect septum	0190	20.06	$1,043.30	$424.28	$208.66
58561	T	Hysteroscopy, remove myoma	0190	20.06	$1,043.30	$424.28	$208.66
58562	T	Hysteroscopy, remove fb	0190	20.06	$1,043.30	$424.28	$208.66
58563	T	Hysteroscopy, ablation	0190	20.06	$1,043.30	$424.28	$208.66
58578	T	Laparo proc, uterus	0190	20.06	$1,043.30	$424.28	$208.66
58579	T	Hysteroscope procedure	0190	20.06	$1,043.30	$424.28	$208.66
58600	T	Division of fallopian tube	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
58605	C	Division of fallopian tube					
58611	C	Ligate oviduct(s) add-on					
58615	T	Occlude fallopian tube(s)	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
58660	T	Laparoscopy, lysis	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
58661	T	Laparoscopy, remove adnexa	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
58662	T	Laparoscopy, excise lesions	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
58670	T	Laparoscopy, tubal cautery	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
58671	T	Laparoscopy, tubal block	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
58672	T	Laparoscopy, fimbrioplasty	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
58673	T	Laparoscopy, salpingostomy	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
58679	T	Laparo proc, oviduct-ovary	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
58700	C	Removal of fallopian tube					
58720	C	Removal of ovary/tube(s)					
58740	C	Revise fallopian tube(s)					
58750	C	Repair oviduct					

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58752	C	Revise ovarian tube(s)					
58760	C	Remove tubal obstruction					
58770	C	Create new tubal opening					
58800	T	Drainage of ovarian cyst(s)	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
58805	C	Drainage of ovarian cyst(s)					
58820	T	Drain ovary abscess, open	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
58822	C	Drain ovary abscess, percut					
58823	T	Drain pelvic abscess, percut	0193	14.57	$757.77	$171.13	$151.55
58825	C	Transposition, ovary(s)					
58900	T	Biopsy of ovary(s)	0195	24.37	$1,267.46	$483.80	$253.49
58920	T	Partial removal of ovary(s)	0202	39.09	$2,033.03	$996.18	$406.61
58925	T	Removal of ovarian cyst(s)	0202	39.09	$2,033.03	$996.18	$406.61
58940	C	Removal of ovary(s)					
58943	C	Removal of ovary(s)					
58950	C	Resect ovarian malignancy					
58951	C	Resect ovarian malignancy					
58952	C	Resect ovarian malignancy					
58953	C	Tah, rad dissect for debulk					
58954	C	Tah rad debulk/lymph remove					
58960	C	Exploration of abdomen					
58970	T	Retrieval of oocyte	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
58974	T	Transfer of embryo	0197	1.19	$61.89	$24.76	$12.38
58976	T	Transfer of embryo	0197	1.19	$61.89	$24.76	$12.38
58999	T	Genital surgery procedure	0191	0.22	$11.44	$3.32	$2.29
59000	T	Amniocentesis, diagnostic	0198	1.33	$69.17	$32.92	$13.83
59001	T	Amniocentesis, therapeutic	0198	1.33	$69.17	$32.92	$13.83
59012	T	Fetal cord puncture,prenatal	0198	1.33	$69.17	$32.92	$13.83
59015	T	Chorion biopsy	0198	1.33	$69.17	$32.92	$13.83
59020	T	Fetal contract stress test	0198	1.33	$69.17	$32.92	$13.83
59025	T	Fetal non-stress test	0198	1.33	$69.17	$32.92	$13.83
59030	T	Fetal scalp blood sample	0198	1.33	$69.17	$32.92	$13.83
59050	E	Fetal monitor w/report					
59051	E	Fetal monitor/interpret only					
59100	C	Remove uterus lesion					
59120	C	Treat ectopic pregnancy					
59121	C	Treat ectopic pregnancy					
59130	C	Treat ectopic pregnancy					
59135	C	Treat ectopic pregnancy					
59136	C	Treat ectopic pregnancy					
59140	C	Treat ectopic pregnancy					
59150	T	Treat ectopic pregnancy	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
59151	T	Treat ectopic pregnancy	0131	42.44	$2,207.26	$1,001.89	$441.45
59160	T	D & c after delivery	0196	16.32	$848.79	$338.23	$169.76
59200	T	Insert cervical dilator	0189	1.63	$84.77	$18.60	$16.95
59300	T	Episiotomy or vaginal repair	0193	14.57	$757.77	$171.13	$151.55
59320	T	Revision of cervix	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
59325	C	Revision of cervix					
59350	C	Repair of uterus					
59400	E	Obstetrical care					
59409	T	Obstetrical care	0199	5.69	$295.93	$72.98	$59.19
59410	E	Obstetrical care					
59412	T	Antepartum manipulation	0199	5.69	$295.93	$72.98	$59.19
59414	T	Deliver placenta	0199	5.69	$295.93	$72.98	$59.19
59425	E	Antepartum care only					
59426	E	Antepartum care only					
59430	E	Care after delivery					
59510	E	Cesarean delivery					
59514	C	Cesarean delivery only					
59515	E	Cesarean delivery					
59525	C	Remove uterus after cesarean					
59610	E	Vbac delivery					
59612	T	Vbac delivery only	0199	5.69	$295.93	$72.98	$59.19
59614	E	Vbac care after delivery					
59618	E	Attempted vbac delivery					
59620	C	Attempted vbac delivery only					
59622	E	Attempted vbac after care					

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59812	T	Treatment of miscarriage	0201	15.84	$823.82	$329.65	$164.76
59820	T	Care of miscarriage	0201	15.84	$823.82	$329.65	$164.76
59821	T	Treatment of miscarriage	0201	15.84	$823.82	$329.65	$164.76
59830	C	Treat uterus infection					
59840	T	Abortion	0200	14.49	$753.61	$307.83	$150.72
59841	T	Abortion	0200	14.49	$753.61	$307.83	$150.72
59850	C	Abortion					
59851	C	Abortion					
59852	C	Abortion					
59855	C	Abortion					
59856	C	Abortion					
59857	C	Abortion					
59866	T	Abortion (mpr)	0198	1.33	$69.17	$32.92	$13.83
59870	T	Evacuate mole of uterus	0201	15.84	$823.82	$329.65	$164.76
59871	T	Remove cerclage suture	0194	18.88	$981.93	$397.84	$196.39
59898	T	Laparo proc, ob care/deliver	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
59899	T	Maternity care procedure	0198	1.33	$69.17	$32.92	$13.83
60000	T	Drain thyroid/tongue cyst	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
60001	T	Aspirate/inject thyriod cyst	0004	1.63	$84.77	$22.04	$16.95
60100	T	Biopsy of thyroid	0004	1.63	$84.77	$22.04	$16.95
60200	T	Remove thyroid lesion	0114	37.55	$1,952.94	$507.76	$390.59
60210	T	Partial thyroid excision	0114	37.55	$1,952.94	$507.76	$390.59
60212	T	Parital thyroid excision	0114	37.55	$1,952.94	$507.76	$390.59
60220	T	Partial removal of thyroid	0114	37.55	$1,952.94	$507.76	$390.59
60225	T	Partial removal of thyroid	0114	37.55	$1,952.94	$507.76	$390.59
60240	T	Removal of thyroid	0114	37.55	$1,952.94	$507.76	$390.59
60252	T	Removal of thyroid	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
60254	C	Extensive thyroid surgery					
60260	T	Repeat thyroid surgery	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
60270	C	Removal of thyroid					
60271	C	Removal of thyroid					
60280	T	Remove thyroid duct lesion	0114	37.55	$1,952.94	$507.76	$390.59
60281	T	Remove thyroid duct lesion	0114	37.55	$1,952.94	$507.76	$390.59
60500	T	Explore parathyroid glands	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
60502	C	Re-explore parathyroids					
60505	C	Explore parathyroid glands					
60512	T	Autotransplant parathyroid	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
60520	C	Removal of thymus gland					
60521	C	Removal of thymus gland					
60522	C	Removal of thymus gland					
60540	C	Explore adrenal gland					
60545	C	Explore adrenal gland					
60600	C	Remove carotid body lesion					
60605	C	Remove carotid body lesion					
60650	C	Laparoscopy adrenalectomy					
60659	T	Laparo proc, endocrine	0130	31.99	$1,663.77	$659.53	$332.75
60699	T	Endocrine surgery procedure	0114	37.55	$1,952.94	$507.76	$390.59
61000	T	Remove cranial cavity fluid	0212	3.53	$183.59	$84.45	$36.72
61001	T	Remove cranial cavity fluid	0212	3.53	$183.59	$84.45	$36.72
61020	T	Remove brain cavity fluid	0212	3.53	$183.59	$84.45	$36.72
61026	T	Injection into brain canal	0212	3.53	$183.59	$84.45	$36.72
61050	T	Remove brain canal fluid	0212	3.53	$183.59	$84.45	$36.72
61055	T	Injection into brain canal	0212	3.53	$183.59	$84.45	$36.72
61070	T	Brain canal shunt procedure	0212	3.53	$183.59	$84.45	$36.72
61105	C	Twist drill hole					
61107	C	Drill skull for implantation					
61108	C	Drill skull for drainage					
61120	C	Burr hole for puncture					
61140	C	Pierce skull for biopsy					
61150	C	Pierce skull for drainage					
61151	C	Pierce skull for drainage					
61154	C	Pierce skull & remove clot					
61156	C	Pierce skull for drainage					
61210	C	Pierce skull, implant device					
61215	T	Insert brain-fluid device	0224	39.14	$2,035.63	$453.41	$407.13
61250	C	Pierce skull & explore					

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61253	C	Pierce skull & explore					
61304	C	Open skull for exploration					
61305	C	Open skull for exploration					
61312	C	Open skull for drainage					
61313	C	Open skull for drainage					
61314	C	Open skull for drainage					
61315	C	Open skull for drainage					
61320	C	Open skull for drainage					
61321	C	Open skull for drainage					
61330	T	Decompress eye socket	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
61332	C	Explore/biopsy eye socket					
61333	C	Explore orbit/remove lesion					
61334	C	Explore orbit/remove object					
61340	C	Relieve cranial pressure					
61343	C	Incise skull (press relief)					
61345	C	Relieve cranial pressure					
61440	C	Incise skull for surgery					
61450	C	Incise skull for surgery					
61458	C	Incise skull for brain wound					
61460	C	Incise skull for surgery					
61470	C	Incise skull for surgery					
61480	C	Incise skull for surgery					
61490	C	Incise skull for surgery					
61500	C	Removal of skull lesion					
61501	C	Remove infected skull bone					
61510	C	Removal of brain lesion					
61512	C	Remove brain lining lesion					
61514	C	Removal of brain abscess					
61516	C	Removal of brain lesion					
61518	C	Removal of brain lesion					
61519	C	Remove brain lining lesion					
61520	C	Removal of brain lesion					
61521	C	Removal of brain lesion					
61522	C	Removal of brain abscess					
61524	C	Removal of brain lesion					
61526	C	Removal of brain lesion					
61530	C	Removal of brain lesion					
61531	C	Implant brain electrodes					
61533	C	Implant brain electrodes					
61534	C	Removal of brain lesion					
61535	C	Remove brain electrodes					
61536	C	Removal of brain lesion					
61538	C	Removal of brain tissue					
61539	C	Removal of brain tissue					
61541	C	Incision of brain tissue					
61542	C	Removal of brain tissue					
61543	C	Removal of brain tissue					
61544	C	Remove & treat brain lesion					
61545	C	Excision of brain tumor					
61546	C	Removal of pituitary gland					
61548	C	Removal of pituitary gland					
61550	C	Release of skull seams					
61552	C	Release of skull seams					
61556	C	Incise skull/sutures					
61557	C	Incise skull/sutures					
61558	C	Excision of skull/sutures					
61559	C	Excision of skull/sutures					
61563	C	Excision of skull tumor					
61564	C	Excision of skull tumor					
61570	C	Remove foreign body, brain					
61571	C	Incise skull for brain wound					
61575	C	Skull base/brainstem surgery					
61576	C	Skull base/brainstem surgery					
61580	C	Craniofacial approach, skull					
61581	C	Craniofacial approach, skull					
61582	C	Craniofacial approach, skull					

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61583	C	Craniofacial approach, skull					
61584	C	Orbitocranial approach/skull					
61585	C	Orbitocranial approach/skull					
61586	C	Resect nasopharynx, skull					
61590	C	Infratemporal approach/skull					
61591	C	Infratemporal approach/skull					
61592	C	Orbitocranial approach/skull					
61595	C	Transtemporal approach/skull					
61596	C	Transcochlear approach/skull					
61597	C	Transcondylar approach/skull					
61598	C	Transpetrosal approach/skull					
61600	C	Resect/excise cranial lesion					
61601	C	Resect/excise cranial lesion					
61605	C	Resect/excise cranial lesion					
61606	C	Resect/excise cranial lesion					
61607	C	Resect/excise cranial lesion					
61608	C	Resect/excise cranial lesion					
61609	C	Transect artery, sinus					
61610	C	Transect artery, sinus					
61611	C	Transect artery, sinus					
61612	C	Transect artery, sinus					
61613	C	Remove aneurysm, sinus					
61615	C	Resect/excise lesion, skull					
61616	C	Resect/excise lesion, skull					
61618	C	Repair dura					
61619	C	Repair dura					
61624	C	Occlusion/embolization cath					
61626	T	Occlusion/embolization cath	0081	22.69	$1,180.08		$236.02
61680	C	Intracranial vessel surgery					
61682	C	Intracranial vessel surgery					
61684	C	Intracranial vessel surgery					
61686	C	Intracranial vessel surgery					
61690	C	Intracranial vessel surgery					
61692	C	Intracranial vessel surgery					
61697	C	Brain aneurysm repr, complx					
61698	C	Brain aneurysm repr, complx					
61700	C	Brain aneurysm repr , simple					
61702	C	Inner skull vessel surgery					
61703	C	Clamp neck artery					
61705	C	Revise circulation to head					
61708	C	Revise circulation to head					
61710	C	Revise circulation to head					
61711	C	Fusion of skull arteries					
61720	C	Incise skull/brain surgery					
61735	C	Incise skull/brain surgery					
61750	C	Incise skull/brain biopsy					
61751	C	Brain biopsy w/ ct/mr guide					
61760	C	Implant brain electrodes					
61770	C	Incise skull for treatment					
61790	T	Treat trigeminal nerve	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
61791	T	Treat trigeminal tract	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
61793	E	Focus radiation beam					
61795	S	Brain surgery using computer	0302	10.17	$528.93	$200.99	$105.79
61850	C	Implant neuroelectrodes					
61860	C	Implant neuroelectrodes					
61862	C	Implant neurostimul, subcort					
61870	C	Implant neuroelectrodes					
61875	C	Implant neuroelectrodes					
61880	T	Revise/remove neuroelectrode	0687	19.50	$1,014.18	$466.52	$202.84
61885	T	Implant neurostim one array	0222	140.56	$7,310.39		$1,462.08
61886	T	Implant neurostim arrays	0222	140.56	$7,310.39		$1,462.08
61888	T	Revise/remove neuroreceiver	0688	30.58	$1,590.44	$779.32	$318.09
62000	C	Treat skull fracture					
62005	C	Treat skull fracture					
62010	C	Treatment of head injury					
62100	C	Repair brain fluid leakage					

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62115	C	Reduction of skull defect					
62116	C	Reduction of skull defect					
62117	C	Reduction of skull defect					
62120	C	Repair skull cavity lesion					
62121	C	Incise skull repair					
62140	C	Repair of skull defect					
62141	C	Repair of skull defect					
62142	C	Remove skull plate/flap					
62143	C	Replace skull plate/flap					
62145	C	Repair of skull & brain					
62146	C	Repair of skull with graft					
62147	C	Repair of skull with graft					
62180	C	Establish brain cavity shunt					
62190	C	Establish brain cavity shunt					
62192	C	Establish brain cavity shunt					
62194	T	Replace/irrigate catheter	0121	2.17	$112.86	$45.14	$22.57
62200	C	Establish brain cavity shunt					
62201	C	Establish brain cavity shunt					
62220	C	Establish brain cavity shunt					
62223	C	Establish brain cavity shunt					
62225	T	Replace/irrigate catheter	0121	2.17	$112.86	$45.14	$22.57
62230	T	Replace/revise brain shunt	0224	39.14	$2,035.63	$453.41	$407.13
62252	S	Csf shunt reprogram	0691	3.14	$163.31	$89.02	$32.66
62256	C	Remove brain cavity shunt					
62258	C	Replace brain cavity shunt					
62263	T	Lysis epidural adhesions	0203	10.96	$570.02	$256.51	$114.00
62268	T	Drain spinal cord cyst	0212	3.53	$183.59	$84.45	$36.72
62269	T	Needle biopsy, spinal cord	0005	3.02	$157.07	$69.11	$31.41
62270	T	Spinal fluid tap, diagnostic	0206	4.89	$254.32	$75.55	$50.86
62272	T	Drain cerebro spinal fluid	0206	4.89	$254.32	$75.55	$50.86
62273	T	Treat epidural spine lesion	0206	4.89	$254.32	$75.55	$50.86
62280	T	Treat spinal cord lesion	0207	5.97	$310.49	$123.69	$62.10
62281	T	Treat spinal cord lesion	0207	5.97	$310.49	$123.69	$62.10
62282	T	Treat spinal canal lesion	0207	5.97	$310.49	$123.69	$62.10
62284	N	Injection for myelogram					
62287	T	Percutaneous diskectomy	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
62290	N	Inject for spine disk x-ray					
62291	N	Inject for spine disk x-ray					
62292	T	Injection into disk lesion	0212	3.53	$183.59	$84.45	$36.72
62294	T	Injection into spinal artery	0212	3.53	$183.59	$84.45	$36.72
62310	T	Inject spine c/t	0206	4.89	$254.32	$75.55	$50.86
62311	T	Inject spine l/s (cd)	0206	4.89	$254.32	$75.55	$50.86
62318	T	Inject spine w/cath, c/t	0206	4.89	$254.32	$75.55	$50.86
62319	T	Inject spine w/cath l/s (cd)	0206	4.89	$254.32	$75.55	$50.86
62350	T	Implant spinal canal cath	0223	20.30	$1,055.78		$211.16
62351	T	Implant spinal canal cath	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
62355	T	Remove spinal canal catheter	0203	10.96	$570.02	$256.51	$114.00
62360	T	Insert spine infusion device	0226	44.20	$2,298.80		$459.76
62361	T	Implant spine infusion pump	0227	128.03	$6,658.71		$1,331.74
62362	T	Implant spine infusion pump	0227	128.03	$6,658.71		$1,331.74
62365	T	Remove spine infusion device	0203	10.96	$570.02	$256.51	$114.00
62367	S	Analyze spine infusion pump	0691	3.14	$163.31	$89.02	$32.66
62368	S	Analyze spine infusion pump	0691	3.14	$163.31	$89.02	$32.66
63001	T	Removal of spinal lamina	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
63003	T	Removal of spinal lamina	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
63005	T	Removal of spinal lamina	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
63011	T	Removal of spinal lamina	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
63012	T	Removal of spinal lamina	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
63015	T	Removal of spinal lamina	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
63016	T	Removal of spinal lamina	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
63017	T	Removal of spinal lamina	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
63020	T	Neck spine disk surgery	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
63030	T	Low back disk surgery	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
63035	T	Spinal disk surgery add-on	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
63040	T	Laminotomy, single cervical	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
63042	T	Laminotomy, single lumbar	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55

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63043	C	Laminotomy, addl cervical					
63044	C	Laminotomy, addl lumbar					
63045	T	Removal of spinal lamina	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
63046	T	Removal of spinal lamina	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
63047	T	Removal of spinal lamina	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
63048	T	Remove spinal lamina add-on	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
63055	T	Decompress spinal cord	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
63056	T	Decompress spinal cord	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
63057	T	Decompress spine cord add-on	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
63064	T	Decompress spinal cord	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
63066	T	Decompress spine cord add-on	0208	39.95	$2,077.76		$415.55
63075	C	Neck spine disk surgery					
63076	C	Neck spine disk surgery					
63077	C	Spine disk surgery, thorax					
63078	C	Spine disk surgery, thorax					
63081	C	Removal of vertebral body					
63082	C	Remove vertebral body add-on					
63085	C	Removal of vertebral body					
63086	C	Remove vertebral body add-on					
63087	C	Removal of vertebral body					
63088	C	Remove vertebral body add-on					
63090	C	Removal of vertebral body					
63091	C	Remove vertebral body add-on					
63170	C	Incise spinal cord tract(s)					
63172	C	Drainage of spinal cyst					
63173	C	Drainage of spinal cyst					
63180	C	Revise spinal cord ligaments					
63182	C	Revise spinal cord ligaments					
63185	C	Incise spinal column/nerves					
63190	C	Incise spinal column/nerves					
63191	C	Incise spinal column/nerves					
63194	C	Incise spinal column & cord					
63195	C	Incise spinal column & cord					
63196	C	Incise spinal column & cord					
63197	C	Incise spinal column & cord					
63198	C	Incise spinal column & cord					
63199	C	Incise spinal column & cord					
63200	C	Release of spinal cord					
63250	C	Revise spinal cord vessels					
63251	C	Revise spinal cord vessels					
63252	C	Revise spinal cord vessels					
63265	C	Excise intraspinal lesion					
63266	C	Excise intraspinal lesion					
63267	C	Excise intraspinal lesion					
63268	C	Excise intraspinal lesion					
63270	C	Excise intraspinal lesion					
63271	C	Excise intraspinal lesion					
63272	C	Excise intraspinal lesion					
63273	C	Excise intraspinal lesion					
63275	C	Biopsy/excise spinal tumor					
63276	C	Biopsy/excise spinal tumor					
63277	C	Biopsy/excise spinal tumor					
63278	C	Biopsy/excise spinal tumor					
63280	C	Biopsy/excise spinal tumor					
63281	C	Biopsy/excise spinal tumor					
63282	C	Biopsy/excise spinal tumor					
63283	C	Biopsy/excise spinal tumor					
63285	C	Biopsy/excise spinal tumor					
63286	C	Biopsy/excise spinal tumor					
63287	C	Biopsy/excise spinal tumor					
63290	C	Biopsy/excise spinal tumor					
63300	C	Removal of vertebral body					
63301	C	Removal of vertebral body					
63302	C	Removal of vertebral body					
63303	C	Removal of vertebral body					
63304	C	Removal of vertebral body					

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63305	C	Removal of vertebral body					
63306	C	Removal of vertebral body					
63307	C	Removal of vertebral body					
63308	C	Remove vertebral body add-on					
63600	T	Remove spinal cord lesion	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
63610	T	Stimulation of spinal cord	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
63615	T	Remove lesion of spinal cord	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
63650	T	Implant neuroelectrodes	0225	44.47	$2,312.84		$462.57
63655	T	Implant neuroelectrodes	0225	44.47	$2,312.84		$462.57
63660	T	Revise/remove neuroelectrode	0687	19.50	$1,014.18	$466.52	$202.84
63685	T	Implant neuroreceiver	0222	140.56	$7,310.39		$1,462.08
63688	T	Revise/remove neuroreceiver	0688	30.58	$1,590.44	$779.32	$318.09
63700	C	Repair of spinal herniation					
63702	C	Repair of spinal herniation					
63704	C	Repair of spinal herniation					
63706	C	Repair of spinal herniation					
63707	C	Repair spinal fluid leakage					
63709	C	Repair spinal fluid leakage					
63710	C	Graft repair of spine defect					
63740	C	Install spinal shunt					
63741	T	Install spinal shunt	0228	55.05	$2,863.10	$696.46	$572.62
63744	T	Revision of spinal shunt	0228	55.05	$2,863.10	$696.46	$572.62
63746	T	Removal of spinal shunt	0109	7.68	$399.43	$131.49	$79.89
64400	T	Injection for nerve block	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
64402	T	Injection for nerve block	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
64405	T	Injection for nerve block	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
64408	T	Injection for nerve block	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
64410	T	Injection for nerve block	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
64412	T	Injection for nerve block	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
64413	T	Injection for nerve block	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
64415	T	Injection for nerve block	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
64417	T	Injection for nerve block	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
64418	T	Injection for nerve block	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
64420	T	Injection for nerve block	0207	5.97	$310.49	$123.69	$62.10
64421	T	Injection for nerve block	0207	5.97	$310.49	$123.69	$62.10
64425	T	Injection for nerve block	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
64430	T	Injection for nerve block	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
64435	T	Injection for nerve block	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
64445	T	Injection for nerve block	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
64450	T	Injection for nerve block	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
64470	T	Inj paravertebral c/t	0207	5.97	$310.49	$123.69	$62.10
64472	T	Inj paravertebral c/t add-on	0207	5.97	$310.49	$123.69	$62.10
64475	T	Inj paravertebral l/s	0207	5.97	$310.49	$123.69	$62.10
64476	T	Inj paravertebral l/s add-on	0207	5.97	$310.49	$123.69	$62.10
64479	T	Inj foramen epidural c/t	0207	5.97	$310.49	$123.69	$62.10
64480	T	Inj foramen epidural add-on	0207	5.97	$310.49	$123.69	$62.10
64483	T	Inj foramen epidural l/s	0207	5.97	$310.49	$123.69	$62.10
64484	T	Inj foramen epidural add-on	0207	5.97	$310.49	$123.69	$62.10
64505	T	Injection for nerve block	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
64508	T	Injection for nerve block	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
64510	T	Injection for nerve block	0207	5.97	$310.49	$123.69	$62.10
64520	T	Injection for nerve block	0207	5.97	$310.49	$123.69	$62.10
64530	T	Injection for nerve block	0207	5.97	$310.49	$123.69	$62.10
64550	A	Apply neurostimulator					
64553	T	Implant neuroelectrodes	0225	44.47	$2,312.84		$462.57
64555	T	Implant neuroelectrodes	0225	44.47	$2,312.84		$462.57
64560	T	Implant neuroelectrodes	0225	44.47	$2,312.84		$462.57
64561	T	Implant neuroelectrodes	0225	44.47	$2,312.84		$462.57
64565	T	Implant neuroelectrodes	0225	44.47	$2,312.84		$462.57
64573	T	Implant neuroelectrodes	0225	44.47	$2,312.84		$462.57
64575	T	Implant neuroelectrodes	0225	44.47	$2,312.84		$462.57
64577	T	Implant neuroelectrodes	0225	44.47	$2,312.84		$462.57
64580	T	Implant neuroelectrodes	0225	44.47	$2,312.84		$462.57
64581	T	Implant neuroelectrodes	0225	44.47	$2,312.84		$462.57
64585	T	Revise/remove neuroelectrode	0687	19.50	$1,014.18	$466.52	$202.84
64590	T	Implant neuroreceiver	0222	140.56	$7,310.39		$1,462.08

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64595	T	Revise/remove neuroreceiver	0688	30.58	$1,590.44	$779.32	$318.09
64600	T	Injection treatment of nerve	0203	10.96	$570.02	$256.51	$114.00
64605	T	Injection treatment of nerve	0203	10.96	$570.02	$256.51	$114.00
64610	T	Injection treatment of nerve	0203	10.96	$570.02	$256.51	$114.00
64612	T	Destroy nerve, face muscle	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
64613	T	Destroy nerve, spine muscle	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
64614	T	Destroy nerve, extrem musc	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
64620	T	Injection treatment of nerve	0203	10.96	$570.02	$256.51	$114.00
64622	T	Destr paravertebrl nerve l/s	0203	10.96	$570.02	$256.51	$114.00
64623	T	Destr paravertebral n add-on	0203	10.96	$570.02	$256.51	$114.00
64626	T	Destr paravertebrl nerve c/t	0203	10.96	$570.02	$256.51	$114.00
64627	T	Destr paravertebral n add-on	0203	10.96	$570.02	$256.51	$114.00
64630	T	Injection treatment of nerve	0207	5.97	$310.49	$123.69	$62.10
64640	T	Injection treatment of nerve	0207	5.97	$310.49	$123.69	$62.10
64680	T	Injection treatment of nerve	0203	10.96	$570.02	$256.51	$114.00
64702	T	Revise finger/toe nerve	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64704	T	Revise hand/foot nerve	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64708	T	Revise arm/leg nerve	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64712	T	Revision of sciatic nerve	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64713	T	Revision of arm nerve(s)	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64714	T	Revise low back nerve(s)	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64716	T	Revision of cranial nerve	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64718	T	Revise ulnar nerve at elbow	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64719	T	Revise ulnar nerve at wrist	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64721	T	Carpal tunnel surgery	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64722	T	Relieve pressure on nerve(s)	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64726	T	Release foot/toe nerve	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64727	T	Internal nerve revision	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64732	T	Incision of brow nerve	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64734	T	Incision of cheek nerve	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64736	T	Incision of chin nerve	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64738	T	Incision of jaw nerve	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64740	T	Incision of tongue nerve	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64742	T	Incision of facial nerve	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64744	T	Incise nerve, back of head	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64746	T	Incise diaphragm nerve	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64752	C	Incision of vagus nerve					
64755	C	Incision of stomach nerves					
64760	C	Incision of vagus nerve					
64761	T	Incision of pelvis nerve	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64763	C	Incise hip/thigh nerve					
64766	C	Incise hip/thigh nerve					
64771	T	Sever cranial nerve	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64772	T	Incision of spinal nerve	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64774	T	Remove skin nerve lesion	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64776	T	Remove digit nerve lesion	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64778	T	Digit nerve surgery add-on	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64782	T	Remove limb nerve lesion	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64783	T	Limb nerve surgery add-on	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64784	T	Remove nerve lesion	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64786	T	Remove sciatic nerve lesion	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64787	T	Implant nerve end	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64788	T	Remove skin nerve lesion	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64790	T	Removal of nerve lesion	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64792	T	Removal of nerve lesion	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64795	T	Biopsy of nerve	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64802	T	Remove sympathetic nerves	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64804	C	Remove sympathetic nerves					
64809	C	Remove sympathetic nerves					
64818	C	Remove sympathetic nerves					
64820	T	Remove sympathetic nerves	0220	16.66	$866.47		$173.29
64821	T	Remove sympathetic nerves	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
64822	T	Remove sympathetic nerves	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
64823	T	Remove sympathetic nerves	0054	23.50	$1,222.21	$472.33	$244.44
64831	T	Repair of digit nerve	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64832	T	Repair nerve add-on	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69

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64834	T	Repair of hand or foot nerve	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64835	T	Repair of hand or foot nerve	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64836	T	Repair of hand or foot nerve	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64837	T	Repair nerve add-on	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64840	T	Repair of leg nerve	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64856	T	Repair/transpose nerve	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64857	T	Repair arm/leg nerve	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64858	T	Repair sciatic nerve	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64859	T	Nerve surgery	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64861	T	Repair of arm nerves	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64862	T	Repair of low back nerves	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64864	T	Repair of facial nerve	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64865	T	Repair of facial nerve	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64866	C	Fusion of facial/other nerve					
64868	C	Fusion of facial/other nerve					
64870	T	Fusion of facial/other nerve	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64872	T	Subsequent repair of nerve	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64874	T	Repair & revise nerve add-on	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64876	T	Repair nerve/shorten bone	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64885	T	Nerve graft, head or neck	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64886	T	Nerve graft, head or neck	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64890	T	Nerve graft, hand or foot	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64891	T	Nerve graft, hand or foot	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64892	T	Nerve graft, arm or leg	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64893	T	Nerve graft, arm or leg	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64895	T	Nerve graft, hand or foot	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64896	T	Nerve graft, hand or foot	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64897	T	Nerve graft, arm or leg	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64898	T	Nerve graft, arm or leg	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64901	T	Nerve graft add-on	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64902	T	Nerve graft add-on	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64905	T	Nerve pedicle transfer	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64907	T	Nerve pedicle transfer	0221	25.35	$1,318.43	$463.62	$263.69
64999	T	Nervous system surgery	0204	2.13	$110.78	$42.10	$22.16
65091	T	Revise eye	0242	28.87	$1,501.50	$597.36	$300.30
65093	T	Revise eye with implant	0241	21.89	$1,138.48	$384.47	$227.70
65101	T	Removal of eye	0242	28.87	$1,501.50	$597.36	$300.30
65103	T	Remove eye/insert implant	0242	28.87	$1,501.50	$597.36	$300.30
65105	T	Remove eye/attach implant	0242	28.87	$1,501.50	$597.36	$300.30
65110	T	Removal of eye	0242	28.87	$1,501.50	$597.36	$300.30
65112	T	Remove eye/revise socket	0242	28.87	$1,501.50	$597.36	$300.30
65114	T	Remove eye/revise socket	0242	28.87	$1,501.50	$597.36	$300.30
65125	T	Revise ocular implant	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
65130	T	Insert ocular implant	0241	21.89	$1,138.48	$384.47	$227.70
65135	T	Insert ocular implant	0241	21.89	$1,138.48	$384.47	$227.70
65140	T	Attach ocular implant	0242	28.87	$1,501.50	$597.36	$300.30
65150	T	Revise ocular implant	0241	21.89	$1,138.48	$384.47	$227.70
65155	T	Reinsert ocular implant	0242	28.87	$1,501.50	$597.36	$300.30
65175	T	Removal of ocular implant	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
65205	S	Remove foreign body from eye	0698	1.01	$52.53	$20.49	$10.51
65210	S	Remove foreign body from eye	0231	2.24	$116.50	$52.43	$23.30
65220	S	Remove foreign body from eye	0231	2.24	$116.50	$52.43	$23.30
65222	S	Remove foreign body from eye	0231	2.24	$116.50	$52.43	$23.30
65235	T	Remove foreign body from eye	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
65260	T	Remove foreign body from eye	0236	20.62	$1,072.43		$214.49
65265	T	Remove foreign body from eye	0236	20.62	$1,072.43		$214.49
65270	T	Repair of eye wound	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
65272	T	Repair of eye wound	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
65273	C	Repair of eye wound					
65275	T	Repair of eye wound	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
65280	T	Repair of eye wound	0234	21.45	$1,115.59	$535.48	$223.12
65285	T	Repair of eye wound	0234	21.45	$1,115.59	$535.48	$223.12
65286	T	Repair of eye wound	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
65290	T	Repair of eye socket wound	0243	20.94	$1,089.07	$431.39	$217.81
65400	T	Removal of eye lesion	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
65410	T	Biopsy of cornea	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70

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65420	T	Removal of eye lesion	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
65426	T	Removal of eye lesion	0234	21.45	$1,115.59	$535.48	$223.12
65430	S	Corneal smear	0230	0.78	$40.57	$15.82	$8.11
65435	T	Curette/treat cornea	0239	6.91	$359.38	$115.94	$71.88
65436	T	Curette/treat cornea	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
65450	S	Treatment of corneal lesion	0231	2.24	$116.50	$52.43	$23.30
65600	T	Revision of cornea	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
65710	T	Corneal transplant	0244	38.14	$1,983.62	$851.42	$396.72
65730	T	Corneal transplant	0244	38.14	$1,983.62	$851.42	$396.72
65750	T	Corneal transplant	0244	38.14	$1,983.62	$851.42	$396.72
65755	T	Corneal transplant	0244	38.14	$1,983.62	$851.42	$396.72
65760	E	Revision of cornea					
65765	E	Revision of cornea					
65767	E	Corneal tissue transplant					
65770	T	Revise cornea with implant	0244	38.14	$1,983.62	$851.42	$396.72
65771	E	Radial keratotomy					
65772	T	Correction of astigmatism	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
65775	T	Correction of astigmatism	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
65800	T	Drainage of eye	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
65805	T	Drainage of eye	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
65810	T	Drainage of eye	0234	21.45	$1,115.59	$535.48	$223.12
65815	T	Drainage of eye	0234	21.45	$1,115.59	$535.48	$223.12
65820	T	Relieve inner eye pressure	0232	4.91	$255.36	$112.36	$51.07
65850	T	Incision of eye	0234	21.45	$1,115.59	$535.48	$223.12
65855	T	Laser surgery of eye	0247	4.97	$258.48	$108.56	$51.70
65860	T	Incise inner eye adhesions	0247	4.97	$258.48	$108.56	$51.70
65865	T	Incise inner eye adhesions	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
65870	T	Incise inner eye adhesions	0234	21.45	$1,115.59	$535.48	$223.12
65875	T	Incise inner eye adhesions	0234	21.45	$1,115.59	$535.48	$223.12
65880	T	Incise inner eye adhesions	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
65900	T	Remove eye lesion	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
65920	T	Remove implant of eye	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
65930	T	Remove blood clot from eye	0234	21.45	$1,115.59	$535.48	$223.12
66020	T	Injection treatment of eye	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
66030	T	Injection treatment of eye	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
66130	T	Remove eye lesion	0234	21.45	$1,115.59	$535.48	$223.12
66150	T	Glaucoma surgery	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
66155	T	Glaucoma surgery	0234	21.45	$1,115.59	$535.48	$223.12
66160	T	Glaucoma surgery	0234	21.45	$1,115.59	$535.48	$223.12
66165	T	Glaucoma surgery	0234	21.45	$1,115.59	$535.48	$223.12
66170	T	Glaucoma surgery	0234	21.45	$1,115.59	$535.48	$223.12
66172	T	Incision of eye	0673	27.47	$1,428.69	$685.77	$285.74
66180	T	Implant eye shunt	0673	27.47	$1,428.69	$685.77	$285.74
66185	T	Revise eye shunt	0673	27.47	$1,428.69	$685.77	$285.74
66220	T	Repair eye lesion	0236	20.62	$1,072.43		$214.49
66225	T	Repair/graft eye lesion	0673	27.47	$1,428.69	$685.77	$285.74
66250	T	Follow-up surgery of eye	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
66500	T	Incision of iris	0232	4.91	$255.36	$112.36	$51.07
66505	T	Incision of iris	0232	4.91	$255.36	$112.36	$51.07
66600	T	Remove iris and lesion	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
66605	T	Removal of iris	0234	21.45	$1,115.59	$535.48	$223.12
66625	T	Removal of iris	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
66630	T	Removal of iris	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
66635	T	Removal of iris	0234	21.45	$1,115.59	$535.48	$223.12
66680	T	Repair iris & ciliary body	0234	21.45	$1,115.59	$535.48	$223.12
66682	T	Repair iris & ciliary body	0234	21.45	$1,115.59	$535.48	$223.12
66700	T	Destruction, ciliary body	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
66710	T	Destruction, ciliary body	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
66720	T	Destruction, ciliary body	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
66740	T	Destruction, ciliary body	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
66761	T	Revision of iris	0247	4.97	$258.48	$108.56	$51.70
66762	T	Revision of iris	0247	4.97	$258.48	$108.56	$51.70
66770	T	Removal of inner eye lesion	0247	4.97	$258.48	$108.56	$51.70
66820	T	Incision, secondary cataract	0232	4.91	$255.36	$112.36	$51.07
66821	T	After cataract laser surgery	0247	4.97	$258.48	$108.56	$51.70
66825	T	Reposition intraocular lens	0234	21.45	$1,115.59	$535.48	$223.12

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66830	T	Removal of lens lesion	0232	4.91	$255.36	$112.36	$51.07
66840	T	Removal of lens material	0245	14.39	$748.41	$251.21	$149.68
66850	T	Removal of lens material	0249	27.75	$1,443.25	$524.67	$288.65
66852	T	Removal of lens material	0249	27.75	$1,443.25	$524.67	$288.65
66920	T	Extraction of lens	0249	27.75	$1,443.25	$524.67	$288.65
66930	T	Extraction of lens	0249	27.75	$1,443.25	$524.67	$288.65
66940	T	Extraction of lens	0245	14.39	$748.41	$251.21	$149.68
66982	T	Cataract surgery, complex	0246	23.59	$1,226.89	$495.96	$245.38
66983	T	Cataract surg w/iol, 1 stage	0246	23.59	$1,226.89	$495.96	$245.38
66984	T	Cataract surg w/iol, i stage	0246	23.59	$1,226.89	$495.96	$245.38
66985	T	Insert lens prosthesis	0246	23.59	$1,226.89	$495.96	$245.38
66986	T	Exchange lens prosthesis	0246	23.59	$1,226.89	$495.96	$245.38
66999	T	Eye surgery procedure	0232	4.91	$255.36	$112.36	$51.07
67005	T	Partial removal of eye fluid	0237	35.09	$1,825.00	$818.54	$365.00
67010	T	Partial removal of eye fluid	0237	35.09	$1,825.00	$818.54	$365.00
67015	T	Release of eye fluid	0237	35.09	$1,825.00	$818.54	$365.00
67025	T	Replace eye fluid	0236	20.62	$1,072.43	....	$214.49
67027	T	Implant eye drug system	0237	35.09	$1,825.00	$818.54	$365.00
67028	T	Injection eye drug	0235	5.62	$292.29	$81.84	$58.46
67030	T	Incise inner eye strands	0236	20.62	$1,072.43	....	$214.49
67031	T	Laser surgery, eye strands	0247	4.97	$258.48	$108.56	$51.70
67036	T	Removal of inner eye fluid	0237	35.09	$1,825.00	$818.54	$365.00
67038	T	Strip retinal membrane	0237	35.09	$1,825.00	$818.54	$365.00
67039	T	Laser treatment of retina	0237	35.09	$1,825.00	$818.54	$365.00
67040	T	Laser treatment of retina	0672	39.95	$2,077.76	$1,038.88	$415.55
67101	T	Repair detached retina	0235	5.62	$292.29	$81.84	$58.46
67105	T	Repair detached retina	0248	4.44	$230.92	$96.99	$46.18
67107	T	Repair detached retina	0672	39.95	$2,077.76	$1,038.88	$415.55
67108	T	Repair detached retina	0672	39.95	$2,077.76	$1,038.88	$415.55
67110	T	Repair detached retina	0235	5.62	$292.29	$81.84	$58.46
67112	T	Rerepair detached retina	0672	39.95	$2,077.76	$1,038.88	$415.55
67115	T	Release encircling material	0236	20.62	$1,072.43	....	$214.49
67120	T	Remove eye implant material	0236	20.62	$1,072.43	....	$214.49
67121	T	Remove eye implant material	0237	35.09	$1,825.00	$818.54	$365.00
67141	T	Treatment of retina	0235	5.62	$292.29	$81.84	$58.46
67145	T	Treatment of retina	0248	4.44	$230.92	$96.99	$46.18
67208	T	Treatment of retinal lesion	0235	5.62	$292.29	$81.84	$58.46
67210	T	Treatment of retinal lesion	0248	4.44	$230.92	$96.99	$46.18
67218	T	Treatment of retinal lesion	0236	20.62	$1,072.43	....	$214.49
67220	T	Treatment of choroid lesion	0235	5.62	$292.29	$81.84	$58.46
67221	T	Ocular photodynamic ther	0235	5.62	$292.29	$81.84	$58.46
67225	T	Eye photodynamic ther add-on	0235	5.62	$292.29	$81.84	$58.46
67227	T	Treatment of retinal lesion	0235	5.62	$292.29	$81.84	$58.46
67228	T	Treatment of retinal lesion	0248	4.44	$230.92	$96.99	$46.18
67250	T	Reinforce eye wall	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67255	T	Reinforce/graft eye wall	0237	35.09	$1,825.00	$818.54	$365.00
67299	T	Eye surgery procedure	0235	5.62	$292.29	$81.84	$58.46
67311	T	Revise eye muscle	0243	20.94	$1,089.07	$431.39	$217.81
67312	T	Revise two eye muscles	0243	20.94	$1,089.07	$431.39	$217.81
67314	T	Revise eye muscle	0243	20.94	$1,089.07	$431.39	$217.81
67316	T	Revise two eye muscles	0243	20.94	$1,089.07	$431.39	$217.81
67318	T	Revise eye muscle(s)	0243	20.94	$1,089.07	$431.39	$217.81
67320	T	Revise eye muscle(s) add-on	0243	20.94	$1,089.07	$431.39	$217.81
67331	T	Eye surgery follow-up add-on	0243	20.94	$1,089.07	$431.39	$217.81
67332	T	Rerevise eye muscles add-on	0243	20.94	$1,089.07	$431.39	$217.81
67334	T	Revise eye muscle w/suture	0243	20.94	$1,089.07	$431.39	$217.81
67335	T	Eye suture during surgery	0243	20.94	$1,089.07	$431.39	$217.81
67340	T	Revise eye muscle add-on	0243	20.94	$1,089.07	$431.39	$217.81
67343	T	Release eye tissue	0243	20.94	$1,089.07	$431.39	$217.81
67345	T	Destroy nerve of eye muscle	0238	3.04	$158.11	$58.96	$31.62
67350	T	Biopsy eye muscle	0699	2.37	$123.26	$55.47	$24.65
67399	T	Eye muscle surgery procedure	0243	20.94	$1,089.07	$431.39	$217.81
67400	T	Explore/biopsy eye socket	0241	21.89	$1,138.48	$384.47	$227.70
67405	T	Explore/drain eye socket	0241	21.89	$1,138.48	$384.47	$227.70
67412	T	Explore/treat eye socket	0241	21.89	$1,138.48	$384.47	$227.70
67413	T	Explore/treat eye socket	0241	21.89	$1,138.48	$384.47	$227.70

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67414	T	Explr/decompress eye socket	0242	28.87	$1,501.50	$597.36	$300.30
67415	T	Aspiration, orbital contents	0239	6.91	$359.38	$115.94	$71.88
67420	T	Explore/treat eye socket	0242	28.87	$1,501.50	$597.36	$300.30
67430	T	Explore/treat eye socket	0242	28.87	$1,501.50	$597.36	$300.30
67440	T	Explore/drain eye socket	0242	28.87	$1,501.50	$597.36	$300.30
67445	T	Explr/decompress eye socket	0242	28.87	$1,501.50	$597.36	$300.30
67450	T	Explore/biopsy eye socket	0242	28.87	$1,501.50	$597.36	$300.30
67500	S	Inject/treat eye socket	0231	2.24	$116.50	$52.43	$23.30
67505	T	Inject/treat eye socket	0238	3.04	$158.11	$58.96	$31.62
67515	T	Inject/treat eye socket	0239	6.91	$359.38	$115.94	$71.88
67550	T	Insert eye socket implant	0242	28.87	$1,501.50	$597.36	$300.30
67560	T	Revise eye socket implant	0241	21.89	$1,138.48	$384.47	$227.70
67570	T	Decompress optic nerve	0242	28.87	$1,501.50	$597.36	$300.30
67599	T	Orbit surgery procedure	0239	6.91	$359.38	$115.94	$71.88
67700	T	Drainage of eyelid abscess	0238	3.04	$158.11	$58.96	$31.62
67710	T	Incision of eyelid	0239	6.91	$359.38	$115.94	$71.88
67715	T	Incision of eyelid fold	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67800	T	Remove eyelid lesion	0238	3.04	$158.11	$58.96	$31.62
67801	T	Remove eyelid lesions	0239	6.91	$359.38	$115.94	$71.88
67805	T	Remove eyelid lesions	0238	3.04	$158.11	$58.96	$31.62
67808	T	Remove eyelid lesion(s)	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67810	T	Biopsy of eyelid	0238	3.04	$158.11	$58.96	$31.62
67820	S	Revise eyelashes	0230	0.78	$40.57	$15.82	$8.11
67825	T	Revise eyelashes	0238	3.04	$158.11	$58.96	$31.62
67830	T	Revise eyelashes	0239	6.91	$359.38	$115.94	$71.88
67835	T	Revise eyelashes	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67840	T	Remove eyelid lesion	0239	6.91	$359.38	$115.94	$71.88
67850	T	Treat eyelid lesion	0239	6.91	$359.38	$115.94	$71.88
67875	T	Closure of eyelid by suture	0239	6.91	$359.38	$115.94	$71.88
67880	T	Revision of eyelid	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
67882	T	Revision of eyelid	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67900	T	Repair brow defect	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67901	T	Repair eyelid defect	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67902	T	Repair eyelid defect	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67903	T	Repair eyelid defect	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67904	T	Repair eyelid defect	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67906	T	Repair eyelid defect	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67908	T	Repair eyelid defect	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67909	T	Revise eyelid defect	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67911	T	Revise eyelid defect	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67914	T	Repair eyelid defect	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67915	T	Repair eyelid defect	0239	6.91	$359.38	$115.94	$71.88
67916	T	Repair eyelid defect	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67917	T	Repair eyelid defect	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67921	T	Repair eyelid defect	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67922	T	Repair eyelid defect	0239	6.91	$359.38	$115.94	$71.88
67923	T	Repair eyelid defect	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67924	T	Repair eyelid defect	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67930	T	Repair eyelid wound	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67935	T	Repair eyelid wound	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67938	S	Remove eyelid foreign body	0698	1.01	$52.53	$20.49	$10.51
67950	T	Revision of eyelid	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67961	T	Revision of eyelid	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67966	T	Revision of eyelid	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67971	T	Reconstruction of eyelid	0241	21.89	$1,138.48	$384.47	$227.70
67973	T	Reconstruction of eyelid	0241	21.89	$1,138.48	$384.47	$227.70
67974	T	Reconstruction of eyelid	0241	21.89	$1,138.48	$384.47	$227.70
67975	T	Reconstruction of eyelid	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
67999	T	Revision of eyelid	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
68020	T	Incise/drain eyelid lining	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
68040	S	Treatment of eyelid lesions	0698	1.01	$52.53	$20.49	$10.51
68100	T	Biopsy of eyelid lining	0232	4.91	$255.36	$112.36	$51.07
68110	T	Remove eyelid lining lesion	0699	2.37	$123.26	$55.47	$24.65
68115	T	Remove eyelid lining lesion	0239	6.91	$359.38	$115.94	$71.88
68130	T	Remove eyelid lining lesion	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
68135	T	Remove eyelid lining lesion	0239	6.91	$359.38	$115.94	$71.88

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CPT/ HCPCS	Status indicator	Description	APC	Relative weight	Payment rate	National unadjusted copayment	Minimum unadjusted copayment
68200	S	Treat eyelid by injection	0698	1.01	$52.53	$20.49	$10.51
68320	T	Revise/graft eyelid lining	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
68325	T	Revise/graft eyelid lining	0242	28.87	$1,501.50	$597.36	$300.30
68326	T	Revise/graft eyelid lining	0241	21.89	$1,138.48	$384.47	$227.70
68328	T	Revise/graft eyelid lining	0241	21.89	$1,138.48	$384.47	$227.70
68330	T	Revise eyelid lining	0233	13.43	$698.48	$266.33	$139.70
68335	T	Revise/graft eyelid lining	0241	21.89	$1,138.48	$384.47	$227.70
68340	T	Separate eyelid adhesions	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
68360	T	Revise eyelid lining	0234	21.45	$1,115.59	$535.48	$223.12
68362	T	Revise eyelid lining	0234	21.45	$1,115.59	$535.48	$223.12
68399	T	Eyelid lining surgery	0239	6.91	$359.38	$115.94	$71.88
68400	T	Incise/drain tear gland	0238	3.04	$158.11	$58.96	$31.62
68420	T	Incise/drain tear sac	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
68440	T	Incise tear duct opening	0238	3.04	$158.11	$58.96	$31.62
68500	T	Removal of tear gland	0241	21.89	$1,138.48	$384.47	$227.70
68505	T	Partial removal, tear gland	0241	21.89	$1,138.48	$384.47	$227.70
68510	T	Biopsy of tear gland	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
68520	T	Removal of tear sac	0241	21.89	$1,138.48	$384.47	$227.70
68525	T	Biopsy of tear sac	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
68530	T	Clearance of tear duct	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
68540	T	Remove tear gland lesion	0241	21.89	$1,138.48	$384.47	$227.70
68550	T	Remove tear gland lesion	0242	28.87	$1,501.50	$597.36	$300.30
68700	T	Repair tear ducts	0241	21.89	$1,138.48	$384.47	$227.70
68705	T	Revise tear duct opening	0238	3.04	$158.11	$58.96	$31.62
68720	T	Create tear sac drain	0242	28.87	$1,501.50	$597.36	$300.30
68745	T	Create tear duct drain	0241	21.89	$1,138.48	$384.47	$227.70
68750	T	Create tear duct drain	0242	28.87	$1,501.50	$597.36	$300.30
68760	S	Close tear duct opening	0698	1.01	$52.53	$20.49	$10.51
68761	S	Close tear duct opening	0231	2.24	$116.50	$52.43	$23.30
68770	T	Close tear system fistula	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
68801	S	Dilate tear duct opening	0231	2.24	$116.50	$52.43	$23.30
68810	T	Probe nasolacrimal duct	0699	2.37	$123.26	$55.47	$24.65
68811	T	Probe nasolacrimal duct	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
68815	T	Probe nasolacrimal duct	0240	16.99	$883.63	$315.31	$176.73
68840	T	Explore/irrigate tear ducts	0699	2.37	$123.26	$55.47	$24.65
68850	N	Injection for tear sac x-ray					
68899	T	Tear duct system surgery	0699	2.37	$123.26	$55.47	$24.65
69000	T	Drain external ear lesion	0006	1.89	$98.30	$25.56	$19.66
69005	T	Drain external ear lesion	0007	9.44	$490.96	$103.10	$98.19
69020	T	Drain outer ear canal lesion	0006	1.89	$98.30	$25.56	$19.66
69090	E	Pierce earlobes					
69100	T	Biopsy of external ear	0019	3.94	$204.92	$75.82	$40.98
69105	T	Biopsy of external ear canal	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
69110	T	Remove external ear, partial	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
69120	T	Removal of external ear	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
69140	T	Remove ear canal lesion(s)	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
69145	T	Remove ear canal lesion(s)	0021	14.58	$758.29	$227.49	$151.66
69150	T	Extensive ear canal surgery	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
69155	C	Extensive ear/neck surgery					
69200	X	Clear outer ear canal	0340	0.66	$34.33		$6.87
69205	T	Clear outer ear canal	0022	18.10	$941.36	$367.13	$188.27
69210	X	Remove impacted ear wax	0340	0.66	$34.33		$6.87
69220	T	Clean out mastoid cavity	0012	0.76	$39.53	$10.67	$7.91
69222	T	Clean out mastoid cavity	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
69300	T	Revise external ear	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
69310	T	Rebuild outer ear canal	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69320	T	Rebuild outer ear canal	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69399	T	Outer ear surgery procedure	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
69400	T	Inflate middle ear canal	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
69401	T	Inflate middle ear canal	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
69405	T	Catheterize middle ear canal	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
69410	T	Inset middle ear (baffle)	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
69420	T	Incision of eardrum	0251	1.92	$99.86		$19.97
69421	T	Incision of eardrum	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
69424	T	Remove ventilating tube	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22
69433	T	Create eardrum opening	0252	6.27	$326.10	$114.24	$65.22

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69436	T	Create eardrum opening	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
69440	T	Exploration of middle ear	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
69450	T	Eardrum revision	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69501	T	Mastoidectomy	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69502	T	Mastoidectomy	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
69505	T	Remove mastoid structures	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69511	T	Extensive mastoid surgery	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69530	T	Extensive mastoid surgery	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69535	C	Remove part of temporal bone					
69540	T	Remove ear lesion	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
69550	T	Remove ear lesion	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69552	T	Remove ear lesion	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69554	C	Remove ear lesion					
69601	T	Mastoid surgery revision	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69602	T	Mastoid surgery revision	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69603	T	Mastoid surgery revision	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69604	T	Mastoid surgery revision	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69605	T	Mastoid surgery revision	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69610	T	Repair of eardrum	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
69620	T	Repair of eardrum	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
69631	T	Repair eardrum structures	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69632	T	Rebuild eardrum structures	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69633	T	Rebuild eardrum structures	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69635	T	Repair eardrum structures	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69636	T	Rebuild eardrum structures	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69637	T	Rebuild eardrum structures	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69641	T	Revise middle ear & mastoid	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69642	T	Revise middle ear & mastoid	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69643	T	Revise middle ear & mastoid	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69644	T	Revise middle ear & mastoid	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69645	T	Revise middle ear & mastoid	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69646	T	Revise middle ear & mastoid	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69650	T	Release middle ear bone	0254	21.89	$1,138.48	$352.93	$227.70
69660	T	Revise middle ear bone	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69661	T	Revise middle ear bone	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69662	T	Revise middle ear bone	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69666	T	Repair middle ear structures	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69667	T	Repair middle ear structures	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69670	T	Remove mastoid air cells	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69676	T	Remove middle ear nerve	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69700	T	Close mastoid fistula	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69710	E	Implant/replace hearing aid					
69711	T	Remove/repair hearing aid	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69714	T	Implant temple bone w/stimul	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69715	T	Temple bne implnt w/stimulat	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69717	T	Temple bone implant revision	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69718	T	Revise temple bone implant	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69720	T	Release facial nerve	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69725	T	Release facial nerve	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69740	T	Repair facial nerve	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69745	T	Repair facial nerve	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69799	T	Middle ear surgery procedure	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
69801	T	Incise inner ear	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69802	T	Incise inner ear	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69805	T	Explore inner ear	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69806	T	Explore inner ear	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69820	T	Establish inner ear window	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69840	T	Revise inner ear window	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69905	T	Remove inner ear	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69910	T	Remove inner ear & mastoid	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69915	T	Incise inner ear nerve	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69930	T	Implant cochlear device	0259	291.05	$15,137.22	$7,417.24	$3,027.44
69949	T	Inner ear surgery procedure	0253	14.79	$769.21	$284.61	$153.84
69950	C	Incise inner ear nerve					
69955	T	Release facial nerve	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37
69960	T	Release inner ear canal	0256	35.51	$1,846.84		$369.37

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