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Hospital Outpatient Procedures, Covered Charges, and Program Payments for Medicare
Beneficiaries, by the Leading Principal HCPCS Surgical Procedures: Calendar Year 2002

| Principal HCPCS Procedure | HCPCS Code | Number of Procedures | Covered Charges in Thousands | Operating Room Charges in Thousands | Program Payments in Thousands | Average Covered Charge per Procedure | Average Program Payment per Procedure ² |
|---|------------|----------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| Total All Procedures | --- | 3,284,700 | \$5,878,671 | \$2,512,820 | \$1,056,377 | \$1,790 | \$331 |
| Total Leading Principal HCPCS Surgical Procedures | --- | 2,030,120 | 3,129,746 | 1,350,080 | 526,856 | 1,542 | 266 |
| Cataract surg w/iol, i stage | 66984 | 441,960 | 1,671,461 | 779,726 | 272,577 | 3,782 | 626 |
| Diagnostic colonoscopy | 45378 | 323,900 | 444,635 | 176,399 | 64,049 | 1,373 | 203 |
| Inject spine l/s (cd) | 62311 | 195,420 | 149,474 | 77,085 | 24,439 | 765 | 127 |
| Debride skin/tissue | 11042 | 141,160 | 124,919 | 45,966 | 24,967 | 885 | 179 |
| After cataract laser surgery | 66821 | 104,760 | 89,689 | 64,210 | 14,886 | 856 | 144 |
| Uppr gi endoscopy, diagnosis | 43235 | 82,260 | 114,701 | 42,246 | 18,317 | 1,394 | 227 |
| Repair superficial wound(s) | 12001 | 68,900 | 30,886 | 543 | 9,046 | 448 | 134 |
| Debride skin, partial | 11040 | 65,440 | 39,680 | 12,464 | 10,860 | 606 | 170 |
| Debride skin, full | 11041 | 53,860 | 33,500 | 12,430 | 8,172 | 622 | 155 |
| Application of paste boot | 29580 | 50,720 | 23,245 | 2,030 | 6,414 | 458 | 131 |
| Repair superficial wound(s) | 12002 | 48,960 | 23,771 | 235 | 6,534 | 486 | 136 |
| Debride nail, 6 or more | 11721 | 46,040 | 5,371 | 1,077 | 1,439 | 117 | 38 |
| Upper GI endoscopy, biopsy | 43239 | 44,640 | 86,537 | 30,123 | 10,631 | 1,939 | 243 |
| Detroy benign/premal lesion | 17000 | 43,740 | 7,522 | 1,953 | 2,995 | 172 | 71 |
| Drain/inject, joint/bursa | 20610 | 40,960 | 19,691 | 6,412 | 5,754 | 481 | 143 |
| Remove impacted ear wax | 69210 | 33,760 | 5,156 | 512 | 2,131 | 153 | 66 |
| Cystoscopy | 52000 | 33,720 | 40,394 | 25,181 | 7,556 | 1,198 | 227 |
| Control of nosebleed | 30901 | 30,160 | 12,320 | 327 | 3,810 | 408 | 128 |
| Carpal tunnel surgery | 64721 | 28,060 | 69,024 | 44,453 | 10,935 | 2,460 | 394 |
| Lesion removal colonoscopy | 45385 | 26,740 | 49,693 | 17,235 | 5,562 | 1,858 | 212 |
| Repair superficial wound(s) | 12011 | 25,500 | 13,577 | 335 | 3,508 | 532 | 140 |
| Withdrawal of arterial blood | 36600 | 25,300 | 31,411 | 731 | 5,016 | 1,242 | 203 |
| Insert urinary catheter | 53670 | 25,100 | 10,822 | 302 | 1,999 | 431 | 83 |
| Diagnostic sigmoidoscopy | 45330 | 25,000 | 17,758 | 6,160 | 2,468 | 710 | 102 |
| Change gastrostomy tube | 43760 | 24,060 | 14,509 | 1,946 | 2,790 | 603 | 117 |
| Total All Other Procedures | --- | 1,254,580 | 2,748,925 | 1,162,740 | 529,521 | 2,191 | 437 |

¹Leading surgical HCPCS codes were selected from among the code range 10000-69979 (Surgery Procedures) and based on frequency of occurrence

²Does not reflect procedures for beneficiaries who received covered services but for whom no program payments were reported during the year.

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