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SUBJECT: April 2024 Update of the Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS)

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: The purpose of this Change Request (CR) is to describe changes to and billing instructions for various payment policies implemented in the April 2024 Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS) update. The April 2024 Integrated Outpatient Code Editor (I/OCE) will reflect the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS), Ambulatory Payment Classification (APC), HCPCS Modifier, and Revenue Code additions, changes, and deletions identified in this CR. This Recurring Update Notification applies to Chapter 4, section 50.8 (Annual Updates to the OPPS Pricer for Calendar Year (CY) 2007 and Later).

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 1, 2024

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IMPLEMENTATION DATE: April 1, 2024

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II. CHANGES IN MANUAL INSTRUCTIONS: (N/A if manual is not updated)

R=REVISED, N=NEW, D=DELETED-Only One Per Row.

| R/N/D | CHAPTER / SECTION / SUBSECTION / TITLE |
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| R | 4/Table of Contents |
| R | 4/20.6.12/Modifier PN |
| N | 4/61.2.2/Edit for Level 6 Intraocular Procedures APC |

III. FUNDING:

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IV. ATTACHMENTS:

Recurring Update Notification
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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Background: This Recurring Update Notification (RUN) provides instructions on coding changes and policy updates that are effective April 1, 2024, for the Hospital OPPS. The updates include coding and policy changes for new services, pass-through drug and devices, PLA codes and other items and services. The April 2024 revisions to I/OCE data files, instructions, and specifications are provided in the forthcoming April 2024 I/OCE CR.

B. Policy: 1. CPT Proprietary Laboratory Analyses (PLA) Coding Changes Effective April 1, 2024

The AMA CPT Editorial Panel established 11 new PLA codes, specifically, CPT codes 0439U through 0449U, effective April 1, 2024.

Table 1, attachment A, lists the long descriptors and status indicators for the codes. The codes have been added to the April 2024 I/OCE with an effective date of April 1, 2024. In addition, the codes, along with their short descriptors and status indicators, are listed in the April 2024 OPPS Addendum B that is posted on the CMS website. For more information on OPPS status indicators, refer to OPPS Addendum D1 of the Calendar Year 2024 OPPS/ASC final rule for the latest definitions.

2. OPPS Device Pass-Through

a. Clarification for New Device Pass-Through Categories Effective January 1, 2024

Section 1833(t)(6)(B) of the Social Security Act requires that, under the OPPS, categories of devices be eligible for transitional pass-through payments for at least two, but not more than three years. In addition, section 1833(t)(6)(B)(ii)(IV) of the Act requires that we create additional categories for transitional pass-through payment of new medical devices not described by existing or previously existing categories of devices.

As discussed in section IV.A.2. New Device Pass-Through Applications for CY 2024 of the CY 2024 OPPS/ASC final rule with comment period, we approved four new devices for pass-through status under the OPPS, specifically, HCPCS codes C1600, C1601, C1602, and C1603. For the full discussion on the criteria used to evaluate device pass-through applications, refer to the CY 2024 OPPS/ASC final rule with comment period, which was published in the **Federal Register** on November 22, 2023. In addition, we note that HCPCS code C1604 was preliminarily approved as part of the device pass-through quarterly review process with an effective date of January 1, 2024. The device application associated with HCPCS code C1604 will be included and discussed in the CY 2025 OPPS/ASC proposed and final rules. Refer to Table 2, attachment A, for the long descriptor, status indicator, APC, and offset amount for these five HCPCS codes.

Furthermore, we are adding these five new device category codes and their pass-through expiration dates to Table 3, attachment A. Refer to Table 3 for the complete list of device category HCPCS codes and definitions used for present and previous transitional pass-through payment.

b. Addition of CPT Codes to an Existing Device Code C1602

Section 1833(t)(6)(D)(ii) of the Act requires that we deduct from pass-through payments for devices an amount that reflects the device portion of the APC payment amount. This deduction is known as the device offset, or the portion(s) of the APC amount that is associated with the cost of the pass-through device. The device offset from payment represents a deduction from pass-through payments for the applicable pass-through device.

We note that effective January 1, 2024, we are adding CPT codes 25145, 26236, 28124 to be billed with HCPCS Code C1602, in addition to the CPT codes that we listed in the “January 2024 Update of the Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS)”, Change Request 13488, Transmittal 12421, dated December 21, 2023.

c. Updates for Device Offset Amounts to an Existing Device Code C1600

Section 1833(t)(6)(D)(ii) of the Act requires that we deduct from pass-through payments for devices an amount that reflects the device portion of the APC payment amount. This deduction is known as the device offset, or the portion(s) of the APC amount that is associated with the cost of the pass-through device. The device offset from payment represents a deduction from pass-through payments for the applicable pass-through device.

We note that effective January 1, 2024, we are pairing CPT codes 36902, 36903, 36095, 36906 to be billed with HCPCS Code C1600, as listed in the “January 2024 Update of the Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS)”, Change Request 13488, Transmittal 12421, dated December 21, 2023.

We note that the device offset amount for each of the CPT codes that are paired with C1600 is being updated to \$0.00, effective January 1, 2024.

3. Edit for Level 6 Intraocular Procedures APC

Effective CY 2024, the OCE will return to providers claims that report a procedure code assigned to APC 5496 (Level 6 Intraocular Procedures) – but do not report the correct device code that must be implanted during the procedure. The device code must correctly reflect the type of device that was implanted during the procedure. Table 4, attachment A, displays the procedures assigned to the Level 6 Intraocular Procedures APC as well as the appropriate device code that must be present on the claim for that procedure. Hospitals may not bypass this edit by reporting modifier “CG.”

This edit does not apply if the provider reports one of the following modifiers with the procedure code:

52 – Reduced Services;

73 – Discontinued outpatient procedure prior to anesthesia administration; and

74 – Discontinued outpatient procedure after anesthesia administration.

If the claim is returned to the provider for failure to pass the edit, the provider will need to modify the claim by correcting the device code (only if the device code to be reported accurately describes the device that was implanted), or, by correcting the procedure code on the claim before resubmission.

4. New HCPCS Codes C9796 and C9797 Effective January 1, 2024

CMS established a new HCPCS code, C9796, to describe the repair of an enterocutaneous fistula in the small intestine or colon with a plug (porcine small intestine submucosa). Table 5, attachment A, lists the official long descriptor, status indicator, and APC assignment for HCPCS code C9796. This code, along with its short descriptor, status indicator, and payment rate, is also listed in the April 2024 OPSS Addendum

B that is posted on the CMS website. For information on OPSS status indicators, refer to OPSS Addendum D1 of the CY 2024 Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPSS)/Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) final rule for the latest definitions.

CMS established a new HCPCS code, C9797, to describe a vascular embolization or occlusion procedure with use of a pressure-generating catheter (e.g., one-way valve, intermittently occluding). As noted in the long descriptor for HCPCS code C9797 that appears in Table 5, attachment A, this code includes all radiological supervision and interpretation, intraprocedural roadmapping, and imaging guidance necessary to complete the intervention. When reporting HCPCS code C9797, HOPDs should also report HCPCS code C1982 (Catheter, pressure-generating, one-way valve, intermittently occlusive). Note that HCPCS code C9797 describes the procedure, while HCPCS code C1982 describes the device that is used during the procedure. In addition, device HCPCS code C1982 should not be billed with either CPT Code 37242 or 37243. Refer to Table 5, attachment A, for the long descriptor, status indicator, and APC assignment for HCPCS code C9797. This code, along with its short descriptor, status indicator, and payment rate, is also listed in the April 2024 OPSS Addendum B that is posted on the CMS website. For information on OPSS status indicators, refer to OPSS Addendum D1 of the CY 2024 Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPSS)/Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) final rule for the latest definitions.

5. Clarification on the OPSS Status Indicator for the Cardiovascular Remote Interrogation Device Evaluation HCPCS Code G2066, 93297, and 93298

HCPCS codes 93297, 93298, and G2066 describe the services associated with a cardiovascular remote interrogation device evaluation. CPT codes 93297 and 93298 were effective January 1, 2009, and since its effective date, have been assigned to OPSS status indicator “M” to indicate that the codes describe physician/professional-only services. HCPCS code G2066 was effective January 1, 2020 and deleted December 31, 2023. Under the OPSS, HCPCS code G2066 was assigned to status indicator “Q1” and APC 5741 (Level 1 Electronic Analysis of Devices).

For CY 2024, under the Physician Fee Schedule (PFS), CPT codes 93297 and 93298 have been assigned to direct practice inputs, and designated with a global, technical, and professional indicators. As stated in the 2024 PFS final rule (88 FR 78914), CPT 93297 and 93298 were previously billed under HCPCS code G2066. With the deletion of the code, because HCPCS code G2066 was the code previously reported for CPT codes 93297 and 93298, and because CPT codes 93297 and 93298 were designated as having a technical component under the PFS, we have assigned these codes to separately payable status under the OPSS for CY 2024. Specifically, effective January 1, 2024, we have assigned CPT codes 93297 and 93298 to status indicator “Q1” and APC 5741, which is the same APC that was assigned to HCPCS code G2066. Table 6, attachment A, lists the long descriptors and OPSS SIs for HCPCS codes G2066, 93297, and 93298. CPT codes 93297 and 93298, along with their short descriptors, status indicators, and payment rates are also listed in the April 2024 OPSS Addendum B that is posted on the CMS website. For information on the OPSS status indicators, refer to OPSS Addendum D1 of the CY 2024 Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPSS)/Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) final rule for the latest definitions.

6. iDose TR (travoprost intracameral implant) for the Treatment of Glaucoma

For the July 1, 2021 update, the CPT Editorial Panel established CPT codes 0660T and 0661T to describe the service associated with the implantation, removal, and reimplantation of the iDose TR, which is a prostaglandin analog used for the reduction of intraocular pressure (IOP) in patients with open-angle glaucoma (OAG) or ocular hypertension (OHT). On December 13, 2023, the iDose TR received FDA NDA approval. Since July 1, 2021, CPT codes 0660T and 0661T have been assigned to status indicator “E1” (Not paid by Medicare when submitted on outpatient claims (any outpatient bill type)) to indicate that the codes are not payable under the OPSS because the drug associated with these codes has not received FDA approval. Based on the recent FDA approval, these codes are now separately payable under the OPSS. Specifically, CPT codes 0660T and 0661T have been assigned from status indicator “E1” to “J1” (Hospital Part B Services Paid Through a Comprehensive APC; Paid under OPSS) and APC 5492 (Level 2 Intraocular

Procedures) effective April 1, 2024.

Table 7, attachment A, lists the long descriptors and OPSS SI for CPT codes 0660T and 0661T. The codes, along with their short descriptors, status indicators, and payment rates are also listed in the April 2024 OPSS Addendum B that is posted on the CMS website. For information on the OPSS status indicators, refer to OPSS Addendum D1 of the CY 2024 Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPSS)/Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) final rule for the latest definitions.

7. APC Assignment Change for HCPCS Code C9790 (Histotripsy (i.e., non-thermal ablation via acoustic energy delivery) of malignant renal tissue, including image guidance) Retroactive to January 1, 2024

The APC Assignment for HCPCS code C9790 (Histotripsy (i.e., non-thermal ablation via acoustic energy delivery) of malignant renal tissue, including image guidance) will change from APC 1575 (New Technology - Level 38 (\$10,001-\$15,000)) with a payment rate of \$12,500.50 to APC 1576 (New Technology - Level 39 (\$15,001-\$20,000)) with a payment rate of \$17,500.50 retroactive to January 1, 2024.

Table 8, attachment A, lists the official descriptor, status indicator, and APC assignment for HCPCS code C9790. This code, along with its short descriptor, status indicator, and payment rate, is also listed in the April 2024 Update of Addendum B.

8. New HCPCS Code G0138 Assigned to New Technology APC 1508 Effective April 1, 2024

HCPCS code G0138 (Intravenous infusion of ciplagucosidase alfa-atga, including provider/supplier acquisition and clinical supervision of oral administration of miglustat in preparation of receipt of ciplagucosidase alfa-atga) describes the service of administration of ciplagucosidase alfa-atga (Pombiliti), which includes the intravenous administration of ciplagucosidase alfa-atga, the provider or supplier's acquisition cost of miglustat, clinical supervision, and oral administration of miglustat. Effective April 1, 2024, HCPCS code G0138 will be assigned to New Technology APC 1508 (New Technology - Level 8 (\$601 - \$700)) with status indicator "S" (Paid under OPSS; separate APC payment). Table 9, attachment A, lists the official descriptor, status indicator, and APC assignment for HCPCS code G0138. This code, along with its short descriptor, status indicator, and payment rate, is also listed in the April 2024 Update of Addendum B. For information on the OPSS status indicators, refer to OPSS Addendum D1 of the CY 2024 Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPSS)/Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) final rule for the latest definitions.

9. Payment for Intensive Cardiac Rehabilitation Services (ICR) Provided by an Off-Campus, Non-Excepted Provider Based Department (PBD) of a Hospital

In the CY 2017 OPSS/ASC final rule with comment period, in accordance with Section 1833(t)(21) of the Act, as added by section 603 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015 (Pub. L. 114-74), CMS established the PN modifier ((signifying a service provided in a non-excepted off-campus provider-based department of a hospital) to identify and pay nonexcepted items and services billed on an institutional claim. Effective January 1, 2017, non-excepted off-campus provider-based departments of a hospital were required to report this modifier on each claim line for non-excepted items and services. The use of modifier PN triggers a payment rate under the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (PFS) that is approximately 40 percent of the OPSS rate.

In the CY 2024 OPSS/ASC final rule with comment period (88 FR 81867), effective January 1, 2024, we excluded intensive cardiac rehabilitation services (ICR) from the 40 percent PFS Relativity Adjuster policy at the code level by modifying the claims processing of HCPCS codes G0422 (Intensive cardiac rehabilitation; with or without continuous ECG monitoring with exercise, per session) and G0423 (Intensive cardiac rehabilitation; with or without continuous ECG monitoring without exercise, per session). Under this change, 100 percent of the OPSS rate for ICR is paid irrespective of the presence of the PN modifier on the

claim. For the full discussion of this change, refer to section X.B of the CY 2024 OPSS/ASC final rule with comment period, which was published in the Federal Register in November of CY 2023.

Please note that claims for HCPCS G0422 and G0423 submitted with the PN modifier from January to April 2024 were paid at the 40 percent rate. However, upon the April IOCE release, an additional amount will be retroactively applied to these past claims so that they are paid at 100 percent of the OPSS rate.

10. Drugs, Biologicals, and Radiopharmaceuticals

a. New CY 2024 HCPCS Codes and Dosage Descriptors for Certain Drugs, Biologicals, and Radiopharmaceuticals Receiving Pass-Through Status Effective April 1, 2024

Five (5) new HCPCS codes have been created for reporting drugs and biologicals in the hospital outpatient setting, where there have not previously been specific codes available starting on April 1, 2024. These drugs and biologicals will receive drug pass-through status starting April 1, 2024. These HCPCS codes are listed in Table 10, attachment A.

b. Existing HCPCS Codes for Certain Drugs, Biologicals, and Radiopharmaceuticals with Pass-Through Status Ending on March 31, 2024

There are three (3) HCPCS codes for certain drugs, biologicals, and radiopharmaceuticals in the outpatient setting that will have their pass-through status end on March 31, 2024. These codes are listed in Table 11, attachment A. Therefore, effective April 1, 2024, the status indicator for these codes is changing from “G” to “K”. For more information on OPSS status indicators, refer to OPSS Addendum D1 of the Calendar Year 2024 OPSS/ASC final rule for the latest definition. These codes, along with their short descriptors and status indicators are also listed in the January April 2024 Update of the OPSS Addendum B.

c. Newly Established HCPCS Codes for Drugs, Biologicals, and Radiopharmaceuticals as of April 1, 2024

Thirty-nine (39) new drug, biological, and radiopharmaceutical HCPCS codes will be established on April 1, 2024. These HCPCS codes are listed in Table 12, attachment A.

d. HCPCS Codes for Drugs, Biologicals, and Radiopharmaceuticals Deleted as of March 31, 2024

Eleven (11) drug, biological, and radiopharmaceutical HCPCS codes will be deleted on March 31, 2024. These HCPCS codes are listed in Table 13, attachment A.

e. HCPCS Codes for Drugs, Biologicals, and Radiopharmaceuticals Changing to a Non-Payable Status on April 1, 2024

One (1) drug, biological, and radiopharmaceutical HCPCS code will be changing to a non-payable status on April 1, 2024. This HCPCS code is listed in Table 14, attachment A.

f. HCPCS Codes for Drugs, Biologicals, and Radiopharmaceuticals with Descriptor Changes as of April 1, 2024

Seven (7) drug, biological, and radiopharmaceutical HCPCS codes have a descriptor change as of April 1, 2024. These HCPCS codes are listed in Table 15, attachment A.

g. Vaccine that Will Retroactively Change from Non-Payable Status to Payable Status Effective November 9, 2023, in the April 2024 I/OCE Update

The status indicator for CPT code 90589 (Chikungunya virus vaccine, live attenuated, for intramuscular use), effective November 9, 2023, will be changed retroactively from status indicator = “E1” to status

indicator = “M” in the April 2024 I/OCE Update. This drug/biological is reported in Table 16, attachment A.

h. Drugs and Biologicals with Payments Based on Average Sales Price (ASP)

For CY 2024, payment for the majority of nonpass-through drugs, biologicals, and therapeutic radiopharmaceuticals is made at a single rate of ASP + 6 percent (or ASP plus 6 or 8 percent of the reference product for biosimilars). In CY 2024, a single payment of ASP plus 6 percent for pass-through drugs, biologicals, and radiopharmaceuticals is made to provide payment for both the acquisition cost and pharmacy overhead costs of these pass-through items (or ASP plus 6 or 8 percent of the reference product for biosimilars). Payments for drugs and biologicals based on ASPs will be updated on a quarterly basis as later quarter ASP submissions become available. Effective April 1, 2024, payment rates for many drugs and biologicals have changed from the values published in the CY 2024 OPSS/ASC final rule with comment period as a result of the new ASP calculations based on sales price submissions from third quarter of CY 2023. In cases where adjustments to payment rates are necessary, changes to the payment rates will be incorporated in the April 2024 Fiscal Intermediary Standard System (FISS) release. CMS is not publishing the updated payment rates in this Change Request implementing the April 2024 update of the OPSS. However, the updated payment rates effective April 1, 2024, can be found in the April 2024 update of the OPSS Addendum A and Addendum B on the CMS website at <https://www.cms.gov/medicare/payment/prospective-payment-systems/hospital-outpatient>

i. Drugs and Biologicals Based on ASP Methodology with Restated Payment Rates

Some drugs and biologicals paid based on ASP methodology will have payment rates that are corrected retroactively. These retroactive corrections typically occur on a quarterly basis. The list of drugs and biologicals with corrected payments rates will be accessible on the CMS website on the first date of the quarter at <https://www.cms.gov/medicare/payment/prospective-payment-systems/hospital-outpatient/restated-drug-biological-payment-rates>

Providers may resubmit claims that were affected by adjustments to a previous quarter’s payment files.

11. Skin Substitutes

The payment for skin substitute products that do not qualify for pass-through status will be packaged into the payment for the associated skin substitute application procedure. For payment packaging purposes, the skin substitute products are divided into two groups: 1) high cost skin substitute products and 2) low cost skin substitute products. New skin substitute HCPCS codes are assigned into the low-cost skin substitute group unless CMS has pricing data that demonstrates that the cost of the product is above either the mean unit cost of \$47 or the per day cost of \$807 for CY 2024.

a. New Skin Substitute Products as of April 1, 2024

There are five (5) new skin substitute HCPCS codes that will be active as of April 1, 2024. These codes are listed in Table 17, attachment A.

b. Skin Substitute Product Codes Deleted Effective March 31, 2024

One (1) skin substitute product code has been deleted as of March 31, 2024. This code is reported in Table 18, attachment A

12. Coverage Determinations

As a reminder, the fact that a drug, device, procedure, or service is assigned a HCPCS code and a payment rate under the OPSS does not imply coverage by the Medicare program but indicates only how the product, procedure, or service may be paid if covered by the program. Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) determine whether a drug, device, procedure, or other service meets all program requirements for coverage.

For example, MACs determine that it is reasonable and necessary to treat the beneficiary’s condition and whether it is excluded from payment.

II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE

"Shall" denotes a mandatory requirement, and "should" denotes an optional requirement.

| Number | Requirement | Responsibility | | | | | | | | |
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| | | A/B MAC | | | D M E M A C | Shared-System Maintainers | | | | Other |
| | | A | B | H H H | | F I S S | M C S | V M S | C W F | |
| 13568.1 | Medicare contractors shall adjust, as appropriate, claims brought to their attention with any retroactive changes that were received prior to implementation of the April 2024 OPPS I/OCE. | X | | X | | | | | | |

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

| Number | Requirement | Responsibility | | | | |
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| | | A/B MAC | | | D M E M A C | C E D I |
| | | A | B | H H H | | |
| 13568.2 | Medicare Learning Network® (MLN): CMS will develop and release national provider education content and market it through the MLN Connects® newsletter shortly after we issue the CR. MACs shall link to relevant information on your website and follow IOM Pub. No. 100-09 Chapter 6, Section 50.2.4.1 for distributing the newsletter to providers. When you follow this manual section, you don’t need to separately track and report MLN content releases. You may supplement with your local educational content after we release the newsletter. | X | | X | | |

IV. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Section A: Recommendations and supporting information associated with listed requirements: N/A

"Should" denotes a recommendation.

| X-Ref Requirement Number | Recommendations or other supporting information: |
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Section B: All other recommendations and supporting information: N/A

V. CONTACTS

Post-Implementation Contact(s): Contact your Contracting Officer's Representative (COR).

VI. FUNDING

Section A: For Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs):

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ATTACHMENTS: 1

Attachment A – Tables for the Policy Section

Table 1. – PLA Coding Changes Effective April 1, 2024

| CPT Code | Long Descriptor | OPPS SI |
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| 0439U | Cardiology (coronary heart disease [CHD]), DNA, analysis of 5 single-nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) (rs11716050 [LOC105376934], rs6560711 [WDR37], rs3735222 [SCIN/LOC107986769], rs6820447 [intergenic], and rs9638144 [ESYT2]) and 3 DNA methylation markers (cg00300879 [transcription start site {TSS200} of CNKSR1], cg09552548 [intergenic], and cg14789911 [body of SPATC1L]), qPCR and digital PCR, whole blood, algorithm reported as a 4-tiered risk score for a 3-year risk of symptomatic CHD | A |
| 0440U | Cardiology (coronary heart disease [CHD]), DNA, analysis of 10 single-nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) (rs710987 [LINC010019], rs1333048 [CDKN2B-AS1], rs12129789 [KCND3], rs942317 [KTN1-AS1], rs1441433 [PPP3CA], rs2869675 [PREX1], rs4639796 [ZBTB41], rs4376434 [LINC00972], rs12714414 [TMEM18], and rs7585056 [TMEM18]) and 6 DNA methylation markers (cg03725309 [SARS1], cg12586707 [CXCL1], cg04988978 [MPO], cg17901584 [DHCR24-DT], cg21161138 [AHRR], and cg12655112 [EHD4]), qPCR and digital PCR, whole blood, algorithm reported as detected or not detected for CHD | A |
| 0441U | Infectious disease (bacterial, fungal, or viral infection), semiquantitative biomechanical assessment (via deformability cytometry), whole blood, with algorithmic analysis and result reported as an index | Q4 |
| 0442U | Infectious disease (respiratory infection), Myxovirus resistance protein A (MxA) and C-reactive protein (CRP), fingerstick whole blood specimen, each biomarker reported as present or absent | Q4 |
| 0443U | Neurofilament light chain (NfL), ultra-sensitive immunoassay, serum or cerebrospinal fluid | Q4 |

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| 0444U | Oncology (solid organ neoplasia), targeted genomic sequence analysis panel of 361 genes, interrogation for gene fusions, translocations, or other rearrangements, using DNA from formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tumor tissue, report of clinically significant variant(s) | A |
| 0445U | β -amyloid (Abeta42) and phospho tau (181P) (pTau181), electrochemiluminescent immunoassay (ECLIA), cerebral spinal fluid, ratio reported as positive or negative for amyloid pathology | Q4 |
| 0446U | Autoimmune diseases (systemic lupus erythematosus [SLE]), analysis of 10 cytokine soluble mediator biomarkers by immunoassay, plasma, individual components reported with an algorithmic risk score for current disease activity | Q4 |
| 0447U | Autoimmune diseases (systemic lupus erythematosus [SLE]), analysis of 11 cytokine soluble mediator biomarkers by immunoassay, plasma, individual components reported with an algorithmic prognostic risk score for developing a clinical flare | Q4 |
| 0448U | Oncology (lung and colon cancer), DNA, qualitative, nextgeneration sequencing detection of single-nucleotide variants and deletions in EGFR and KRAS genes, formalin-fixed paraffinembedded (FFPE) solid tumor samples, reported as presence or absence of targeted mutation(s), with recommended therapeutic options | A |
| 0449U | Carrier screening for severe inherited conditions (eg, cystic fibrosis, spinal muscular atrophy, beta hemoglobinopathies [including sickle cell disease], alpha thalassemia), regardless of race or self-identified ancestry, genomic sequence analysis panel, must include analysis of 5 genes (CFTR, SMN1, HBB, HBA1, HBA2) | E1 |

Table 2. -- Device Pass-Through Category HCPCS Codes and Associated Device Offset Amounts

| HCPCS Code | Long Descriptor | SI | APC | CY 2024 Device Offset Amount(s) |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|------------|----------------------------------------|
| C1600 | Catheter, transluminal intravascular lesion preparation device, bladed, sheathed (insertable) | H | 2041 | CPT code 36902 \$0.00 |
| C1601 | Endoscope, single-use (i.e. disposable), pulmonary, imaging/illumination device (insertable) | H | 2042 | CPT code 31626 \$652.77 |
| C1602 | Orthopedic/device/drug matrix/absorbable bone void filler, antimicrobial-eluting (implantable) | H | 2043 | CPT code 24134 \$647.55 |
| C1603 | Retrieval device, insertable, laser (used to retrieve intravascular inferior vena cava filter) | H | 2044 | CPT code 37193 \$782.64 |
| C1604 | Graft, transmural transvenous arterial bypass (implantable), with all delivery system components | H | 2045 | CPT code 0505T \$4947.41 |

Device category HCPCS code C1602 should always be billed with at least one of the following CPT codes:

| HCPCS Code | Long Descriptor | SI | APC | CY 2024 Device Offset Amount |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|------------|-------------------------------------|
| 21510 | Incision, deep, with opening of bone cortex (eg, for osteomyelitis or bone abscess), thorax | C | NA | NA |
| 23035 | Incision, bone cortex (eg, osteomyelitis or bone abscess), shoulder area | J1 | 5112 | \$0.00 |
| 23170 | Sequestrectomy (eg, for osteomyelitis or bone abscess), clavicle | J1 | 5113 | \$779.03 |
| 23172 | Sequestrectomy (eg, for osteomyelitis or bone abscess), scapula | J1 | NA | NA |
| 23174 | Sequestrectomy (eg, for osteomyelitis or bone abscess), humeral head to surgical neck | J1 | 5114 | \$0.00 |
| 23180 | Partial excision (craterization, saucerization, or diaphysectomy) bone (eg, osteomyelitis), clavicle | J1 | 5114 | \$0.00 |
| 23182 | Partial excision (craterization, saucerization, or diaphysectomy) bone (eg, osteomyelitis), scapula | J1 | 5114 | \$411.71 |
| 23184 | Partial excision (craterization, saucerization, or diaphysectomy) bone (eg, osteomyelitis), proximal humerus | J1 | 5114 | \$0.00 |
| 23935 | Incision, deep, with opening of bone cortex (eg, for osteomyelitis or bone abscess), humerus or elbow | J1 | 5113 | \$97.15 |

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| 24134 | Sequestrectomy (eg, for osteomyelitis or bone abscess), shaft or distal humerus | J1 | 5114 | \$647.55 |
| 24136 | Sequestrectomy (eg, for osteomyelitis or bone abscess), radial head or neck | J1 | 5113 | \$0.00 |
| 24138 | Sequestrectomy (eg, for osteomyelitis or bone abscess), olecranon process | J1 | 5114 | \$165.64 |
| 24140 | Partial excision (craterization, saucerization, or diaphysectomy) bone (eg, osteomyelitis), humerus | J1 | 5113 | \$143.72 |
| 24145 | Partial excision (craterization, saucerization, or diaphysectomy) bone (eg, osteomyelitis), radial head or neck | J1 | 5114 | \$0.00 |
| 24147 | Partial excision (craterization, saucerization, or diaphysectomy) bone (eg, osteomyelitis), olecranon process | J1 | 5113 | \$66.31 |
| 25035 | Incision, deep, bone cortex, forearm and/or wrist (eg, osteomyelitis or bone abscess) | J1 | 5114 | \$805.01 |
| 25150 | Partial excision (craterization, saucerization, or diaphysectomy) of bone (eg, for osteomyelitis); ulna | J1 | 5113 | \$18.20 |
| 25151 | Partial excision (craterization, saucerization, or diaphysectomy) of bone (eg, for osteomyelitis); radius | J1 | 5113 | \$101.46 |
| 26230 | Partial excision (craterization, saucerization, or diaphysectomy) bone (eg, osteomyelitis); metacarpal | J1 | 5113 | \$64.76 |
| 26992 | Incision, bone cortex, pelvis and/or hip joint (eg, osteomyelitis or bone abscess) | C | NA | NA |
| 27070 | Partial excision, wing of ilium, symphysis pubis, or greater trochanter of femur, (craterization, saucerization) (eg, osteomyelitis or bone abscess); superficial | C | NA | NA |
| 27071 | Partial excision, wing of ilium, symphysis pubis, or greater trochanter of femur, (craterization, saucerization) (eg, osteomyelitis or bone abscess); deep (subfascial or intramuscular) | C | NA | NA |
| 27303 | Incision, deep, with opening of bone cortex, femur or knee (eg, osteomyelitis or bone abscess) | C | NA | NA |
| 27360 | Partial excision (craterization, saucerization, or diaphysectomy) bone, femur, proximal tibia and/or fibula (eg, osteomyelitis or bone abscess) | J1 | 5113 | \$169.00 |
| 27607 | Incision (eg, osteomyelitis or bone abscess), leg or ankle | J1 | 5113 | \$557.28 |

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| 27640 | Partial excision (craterization, saucerization, or diaphysectomy), bone (eg, osteomyelitis); tibia | J1 | 5113 | \$329.37 |
| 27641 | Partial excision (craterization, saucerization, or diaphysectomy), bone (eg, osteomyelitis); fibula | J1 | 5113 | \$72.78 |
| 28005 | Incision, bone cortex (eg, osteomyelitis or bone abscess), foot | J1 | 5113 | \$214.65 |
| 28120 | Partial excision (craterization, saucerization, sequestrectomy, or diaphysectomy) bone (eg, osteomyelitis or bossing); talus or calcaneus | J1 | 5113 | \$218.35 |
| 28122 | Partial excision (craterization, saucerization, sequestrectomy, or diaphysectomy) bone (eg, osteomyelitis or bossing); tarsal or metatarsal bone, except talus or calcaneus | J1 | 5113 | \$104.86 |
| 25145* | Sequestrectomy (eg, for osteomyelitis or bone abscess), forearm and/or wrist | J1 | 5113 | \$0.00 |
| 26236* | Partial excision (craterization, saucerization, or diaphysectomy) bone (eg, osteomyelitis); distal phalanx of finger | J1 | 5112 | \$7.20 |
| 28124* | Partial excision (craterization, saucerization, sequestrectomy, or diaphysectomy) bone (eg, osteomyelitis or bossing); phalanx of toe | J1 | 5113 | \$54.28 |

*We note we are adding CPT codes 25145, 26236, 28124 to be billed with HCPCS Code C1602 effective January 1, 2024.

Device category HCPCS code C1600 should always be billed with at least one of the following CPT codes:

| HCPCS Code | Long Descriptor | SI | APC | Device Offset Amount |
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| 36902 | Introduction of needle(s) and/or catheter(s), dialysis circuit, with diagnostic angiography of the dialysis circuit, including all direct puncture(s) and catheter placement(s), injection(s) of contrast, all necessary imaging from the arterial anastomosis and adjacent artery through entire venous outflow including the inferior or superior vena cava, fluoroscopic guidance, radiological supervision and interpretation and image documentation and report; with transluminal balloon angioplasty, peripheral dialysis segment, | J1 | 5192 | \$0.00 |

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| | including all imaging and radiological supervision and interpretation necessary to perform the angioplasty | | | |
| 36903 | Introduction of needle(s) and/or catheter(s), dialysis circuit, with diagnostic angiography of the dialysis circuit, including all direct puncture(s) and catheter placement(s), injection(s) of contrast, all necessary imaging from the arterial anastomosis and adjacent artery through entire venous outflow including the inferior or superior vena cava, fluoroscopic guidance, radiological supervision and interpretation and image documentation and report; with transcatheter placement of intravascular stent(s), peripheral dialysis segment, including all imaging and radiological supervision and interpretation necessary to perform the stenting, and all angioplasty within the peripheral dialysis segment | J1 | 5193 | \$0.00 |
| 36905 | Percutaneous transluminal mechanical thrombectomy and/or infusion for thrombolysis, dialysis circuit, any method, including all imaging and radiological supervision and interpretation, diagnostic angiography, fluoroscopic guidance, catheter placement(s), and intraprocedural pharmacological thrombolytic injection(s); with transluminal balloon angioplasty, peripheral dialysis segment, including all imaging and radiological supervision and interpretation necessary to perform the angioplasty | J1 | 5193 | \$0.00 |
| 36906 | Percutaneous transluminal mechanical thrombectomy and/or infusion for thrombolysis, dialysis circuit, any method, including all imaging and radiological supervision and interpretation, diagnostic angiography, fluoroscopic guidance, catheter placement(s), and intraprocedural pharmacological thrombolytic injection(s); with transcatheter placement of intravascular stent(s), peripheral dialysis segment, including all imaging and radiological supervision and interpretation necessary to perform the stenting, and all | J1 | 5194 | \$0.00 |

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| | angioplasty within the peripheral dialysis circuit | | |
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Table 3. -- List of Device Category HCPCS Codes and Definitions Used for Present and Previous Pass-Through Payment ***

| | HCPCS Codes | Category Long Descriptor | Date First Populated | Pass-Through Expiration Date*** |
|-----------|--------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| 1. | C1883* | Adaptor/extension, pacing lead or neurostimulator lead (implantable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 2. | C1765* | Adhesion barrier | 10/01/00 – 3/31/2001; 7/1/2001 | 12/31/2003 |
| 3. | C1713* | Anchor/screw for opposing bone-to-bone or soft tissue-to-bone (implantable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 4. | L8690 | Auditory osseointegrated device, includes all internal and external components | 1/1/2007 | 12/31/2008 |
| 5. | C1832 | Autograft suspension, including cell processing and application, and all system components | 1/1/2022 | 12/31/2024 |
| 6. | C1715 | Brachytherapy needle | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 7. | C1716# | Brachytherapy source, non-stranded, Gold-198, per source | 10/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 8. | C1717# | Brachytherapy source, non-stranded, high dose rate Iridium-192, per source | 1/1/2001 | 12/31/2002 |
| 9. | C1718# | Brachytherapy source, Iodine 125, per source | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 10. | C1719# | Brachytherapy source, non-stranded, non-high dose rate Iridium-192, per source | 10/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 11. | C1720# | Brachytherapy source, Palladium 103, per source | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 12. | C2616# | Brachytherapy source, non-stranded, Yttrium-90, per source | 1/1/2001 | 12/31/2002 |
| 13. | C2632 | Brachytherapy solution, iodine – 125, per mCi | 1/1/2003 | 12/31/2004 |
| 14. | C1721 | Cardioverter-defibrillator, dual chamber (implantable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 15. | C1882* | Cardioverter-defibrillator, other than single or dual chamber (implantable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 16. | C1722 | Cardioverter-defibrillator, single chamber (implantable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 17. | C1888* | Catheter, ablation, non-cardiac, endovascular (implantable) | 7/1/2002 | 12/31/2004 |
| 18. | C1726* | Catheter, balloon dilatation, non-vascular | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 19. | C1727* | Catheter, balloon tissue dissector, non-vascular (insertable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 20. | C1728 | Catheter, brachytherapy seed administration | 1/1/2001 | 12/31/2002 |
| 21. | C1729* | Catheter, drainage | 10/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |

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| 22. | C1730* | Catheter, electrophysiology, diagnostic, other than 3D mapping (19 or fewer electrodes) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 23. | C1731* | Catheter, electrophysiology, diagnostic, other than 3d mapping (20 or more electrodes) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 24. | C1732* | Catheter, electrophysiology, diagnostic/ablation, 3D or vector mapping | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 25. | C1733* | Catheter, electrophysiology, diagnostic/ablation, other than 3D or vector mapping, other than cool-tip | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 26. | C2630* | Catheter, electrophysiology, diagnostic/ablation, other than 3D or vector mapping, cool-tip | 10/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 27. | C1886 | Catheter, extravascular tissue ablation, any modality (insertable) | 01/1/2012 | 12/31/2013 |
| 28. | C1887* | Catheter, guiding (may include infusion/perfusion capability) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 29. | C1750 | Catheter, hemodialysis/peritoneal, long-term | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 30. | C1752 | Catheter, hemodialysis/peritoneal, short-term | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 31. | C1751 | Catheter, infusion, inserted peripherally, centrally or midline (other than hemodialysis) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 32. | C1759 | Catheter, intracardiac echocardiography | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 33. | C1754 | Catheter, intradiscal | 10/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 34. | C1755 | Catheter, intraspinal | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 35. | C1753 | Catheter, intravascular ultrasound | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 36. | C2628 | Catheter, occlusion | 10/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 37. | C1756 | Catheter, pacing, transesophageal | 10/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 38. | C2627 | Catheter, suprapubic/cystoscopic | 10/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 39. | C1757 | Catheter, thrombectomy/embolectomy | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 40. | C2623 | Catheter, transluminal angioplasty, drug-coated, non-laser | 4/1/2015 | 12/31/2017 |
| 41. | C1885* | Catheter, transluminal angioplasty, laser | 10/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 42. | C1725* | Catheter, transluminal angioplasty, non-laser (may include guidance, infusion/perfusion capability) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 43. | C1714 | Catheter, transluminal atherectomy, directional | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 44. | C1724 | Catheter, transluminal atherectomy, rotational | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 45. | C1761 | Catheter, transluminal intravascular lithotripsy, coronary | 7/1/2021 | 6/30/2024 |
| 46. | C1760* | Closure device, vascular (implantable/insertable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 47. | L8614 | Cochlear implant system | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 48. | C1762* | Connective tissue, human (includes fascia lata) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 49. | C1763* | Connective tissue, non-human (includes synthetic) | 10/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 50. | C1881 | Dialysis access system (implantable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 51. | C1884* | Embolization protective system | 1/01/2003 | 12/31/2004 |
| 52. | C1749 | Endoscope, retrograde imaging/illumination colonoscope device (implantable) | 10/1/2010 | 12/31/2012 |
| 53. | C1748 | Endoscope, single-use (i.e. disposable), Upper GI, imaging/illumination device (insertable) | 7/1/2020 | 6/30/2023 |

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| 54. | C1764 | Event recorder, cardiac (implantable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 55. | C1822 | Generator, neurostimulator (implantable), high frequency, with rechargeable battery and charging system | 1/1/2016 | 12/31/2017 |
| 56. | C1767** | Generator, neurostimulator (implantable), non-rechargeable | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 57. | C1820 | Generator, neurostimulator (implantable), with rechargeable battery and charging system | 1/1/2006 | 12/31/2007 |
| 58. | C1825 | Generator, neurostimulator (implantable), non-rechargeable with carotid sinus baroreceptor stimulation lead(s) | 1/1/2021 | 12/31/2023 |
| 59. | C1823 | Generator, neurostimulator (implantable), nonrechargeable , with transvenous sensing and stimulation leads | 1/1/2019 | 12/31/2022 |
| 60. | C1768 | Graft, vascular | 1/1/2001 | 12/31/2002 |
| 61. | C1769 | Guide wire | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 62. | C1052 | Hemostatic agent, gastrointestinal, topical | 1/1/2021 | 12/31/2023 |
| 63. | C1770 | Imaging coil, magnetic resonance (insertable) | 1/1/2001 | 12/31/2002 |
| 64. | C2624 | Implantable wireless pulmonary artery pressure sensor with delivery catheter, including all system components | 1/1/2015 | 12/31/2016 |
| 65. | C1891 | Infusion pump, non-programmable, permanent (implantable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 66. | C2626* | Infusion pump, non-programmable, temporary (implantable) | 1/1/2001 | 12/31/2002 |
| 67. | C1772 | Infusion pump, programmable (implantable) | 10/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 68. | C1818* | Integrated keratoprosthesis | 7/1/2003 | 12/31/2005 |
| 69. | C1821 | Interspinous process distraction device (implantable) | 1/1/2007 | 12/31/2008 |
| 70. | C1062 | Intravertebral body fracture augmentation with implant (e.g., metal, polymer) | 1/1/2021 | 12/31/2023 |
| 71. | C1893 | Introducer/sheath, guiding, intracardiac electrophysiological, fixed-curve, other than peel-away | 10/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 72. | C1892* | Introducer/sheath, guiding, intracardiac electrophysiological, fixed-curve, peel-away | 1/1/2001 | 12/31/2002 |
| 73. | C1766 | Introducer/sheath, guiding, intracardiac electrophysiological, steerable, other than peel-away | 1/1/2001 | 12/31/2002 |
| 74. | C1894 | Introducer/sheath, other than guiding, other than intracardiac electrophysiological, non-laser | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 75. | C2629 | Introducer/sheath, other than guiding, other than intracardiac electrophysiological, laser | 1/1/2001 | 12/31/2002 |
| 76. | C1776* | Joint device (implantable) | 10/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 77. | C1895 | Lead, cardioverter-defibrillator, endocardial dual coil (implantable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 78. | C1777 | Lead, cardioverter-defibrillator, endocardial single coil (implantable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |

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| 79. | C1896 | Lead, cardioverter-defibrillator, other than endocardial single or dual coil (implantable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 80. | C1900* | Lead, left ventricular coronary venous system | 7/1/2002 | 12/31/2004 |
| 81. | C1778 | Lead, neurostimulator (implantable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 82. | C1897 | Lead, neurostimulator test kit (implantable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 83. | C1898 | Lead, pacemaker, other than transvenous VDD single pass | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 84. | C1779* | Lead, pacemaker, transvenous VDD single pass | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 85. | C1899 | Lead, pacemaker/cardioverter-defibrillator combination (implantable) | 1/1/2001 | 12/31/2002 |
| 86. | C1780* | Lens, intraocular (new technology) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 87. | C1840 | Lens, intraocular (telescopic) | 10/1/2011 | 12/31/2013 |
| 88. | C2613 | Lung biopsy plug with delivery system | 7/1/2015 | 12/31/2017 |
| 89. | C1878* | Material for vocal cord medialization, synthetic (implantable) | 10/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 90. | C1781* | Mesh (implantable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 91. | C1833 | Monitor, cardiac, including intracardiac lead and all system components (implantable) | 1/1/2022 | 12/31/2024 |
| 92. | C1782* | Morcellator | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 93. | C1784* | Ocular device, intraoperative, detached retina | 1/1/2001 | 12/31/2002 |
| 94. | C1783 | Ocular implant, aqueous drainage assist device | 7/1/2002 | 12/31/2004 |
| 95. | C2619 | Pacemaker, dual chamber, non rate-responsive (implantable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 96. | C1785 | Pacemaker, dual chamber, rate-responsive (implantable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 97. | C2621* | Pacemaker, other than single or dual chamber (implantable) | 1/1/2001 | 12/31/2002 |
| 98. | C2620 | Pacemaker, single chamber, non rate-responsive (implantable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 99. | C1786 | Pacemaker, single chamber, rate-responsive (implantable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 100. | C1787* | Patient programmer, neurostimulator | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 101. | C1831 | Interbody cage, anterior, lateral or posterior, personalized (implantable) | 10/1/2021 | 9/30/2024 |
| 102. | C1788 | Port, indwelling (implantable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 103. | C1830 | Powered bone marrow biopsy needle | 10/1/2011 | 12/31/2013 |
| 104. | C2618 | Probe, cryoablation | 4/1/2001 | 12/31/2003 |
| 105. | C2614 | Probe, percutaneous lumbar discectomy | 1/1/2003 | 12/31/2004 |
| 106. | C1789 | Prosthesis, breast (implantable) | 10/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 107. | C1813 | Prosthesis, penile, inflatable | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 108. | C2622 | Prosthesis, penile, non-inflatable | 10/1/2001 | 12/31/2002 |
| 109. | C1815 | Prosthesis, urinary sphincter (implantable) | 10/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 110. | C1816 | Receiver and/or transmitter, neurostimulator (implantable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 111. | C1771* | Repair device, urinary, incontinence, with sling graft | 10/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |

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| 112. | C2631* | Repair device, urinary, incontinence, without sling graft | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 113. | C1841 | Retinal prosthesis, includes all internal and external components | 10/1/2013 | 12/31/2015 |
| 114. | C1814* | Retinal tamponade device, silicone oil | 4/1/2003 | 12/31/2005 |
| 115. | C1773* | Retrieval device, insertable | 1/1/2001 | 12/31/2002 |
| 116. | C2615* | Sealant, pulmonary, liquid (implantable) | 1/1/2001 | 12/31/2002 |
| 117. | C1817* | Septal defect implant system, intracardiac | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 118. | C1874* | Stent, coated/covered, with delivery system | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 119. | C1875* | Stent, coated/covered, without delivery system | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 120. | C1876* | Stent, non-coated/non-covered, with delivery system | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 121. | C1877 | Stent, non-coated/non-covered, without delivery system | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 122. | C2625* | Stent, non-coronary, temporary, with delivery system | 10/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 123. | C2617* | Stent, non-coronary, temporary, without delivery system | 10/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 124. | C1819 | Tissue localization excision device | 1/1/2004 | 12/31/2005 |
| 125. | C1879* | Tissue marker (implantable) | 8/1/2000 | 12/31/2002 |
| 126. | C1880 | Vena cava filter | 1/1/2001 | 12/31/2002 |
| 127. | C1826 | Generator, neurostimulator (implantable), includes closed feedback loop leads and all implantable components, with rechargeable battery and charging system | 1/1/2023 | 12/31/2025 |
| 128. | C1827 | Generator, neurostimulator (implantable), non-rechargeable, with implantable stimulation lead and external paired stimulation controller | 1/1/2023 | 12/31/2025 |
| 129. | C1747 | Endoscope, single-use (i.e. disposable), urinary tract, imaging/illumination device (insertable) | 1/1/2023 | 12/31/2025 |
| 130. | C1824^ | Generator, cardiac contractility modulation (implantable) | 1/1/2020 | 12/31/2023 |
| 131. | C1982^ | Catheter, pressure-generating, one-way valve, intermittently occlusive | 1/1/2020 | 12/31/2023 |
| 132. | C1839^ | Iris prosthesis | 1/1/2020 | 12/31/2023 |
| 133. | C1734^ | Orthopedic/device/drug matrix for opposing bone-to-bone or soft tissue-to bone (implantable) | 1/1/2020 | 12/31/2023 |
| 134. | C2596^ | Probe, image-guided, robotic, waterjet ablation | 1/1/2020 | 12/31/2023 |
| 135. | C1600 | Catheter, transluminal intravascular lesion preparation device, bladed, sheathed (insertable) | 01/01/2024 | 12/31/2026 |
| 136. | C1601 | Endoscope, single-use (i.e. disposable), pulmonary, imaging/illumination device (insertable) | 01/01/2024 | 12/31/2026 |
| 137. | C1602 | Orthopedic/device/drug matrix/absorbable bone void filler, antimicrobial-eluting (implantable) | 01/01/2024 | 12/31/2026 |
| 138. | C1603 | Retrieval device, insertable, laser (used to retrieve intravascular inferior vena cava filter) | 01/01/2024 | 12/31/2026 |
| 139. | C1604 | Graft, transmural transvenous arterial bypass (implantable), with all delivery system components | 01/01/2024 | 12/31/2026 |

BOLD codes are still actively receiving pass-through payment.

Italicized codes have received preliminary approval for pass-through payment.

*** Refer to the definition below for further information on this device category code.**

**** Effective 1/1/06 C1767 descriptor was changed for succeeding claims. See CR 4250, Jan. 3, 2006 for details.**

***** Although the pass-through payment status for device category codes has expired, these codes are still active and hospitals are still required to report the device category C-codes (except the brachytherapy source codes, which are separately paid under the OPSS) on claims when such devices are used in conjunction with procedures billed and paid under the OPSS.**

^Sec. 4141. Extension of Pass-Through Status Under the Medicare Program for Certain Devices Impacted by COVID-19 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 has extended pass-through status for a 1-year period beginning on January 1, 2023.

Table 4. -- Procedures Assigned to the Level 6 Intraocular Procedures APC and the Appropriate Device Code that Must be Present on the Claim for that Procedure

| APC 5496 CPT Codes | Long Descriptor | Device HCPCS Code to Report with CPT code | Long Descriptor |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 0308T | Insertion of ocular telescope prosthesis including removal of crystalline lens or intraocular lens prosthesis | C1840 | Lens, intraocular (telescopic) |
| 0616T | Insertion of iris prosthesis, including suture fixation and repair or removal of iris, when performed; without removal of crystalline lens or intraocular lens, without insertion of intraocular lens | C1839 | Iris prosthesis |
| 0617T | Insertion of iris prosthesis, including suture fixation and repair or removal of iris, when performed; with removal of crystalline lens and insertion of intraocular lens | C1839 | Iris prosthesis |
| 0618T | Insertion of iris prosthesis, including suture fixation and repair or removal of iris, when performed; with secondary intraocular lens placement or intraocular lens exchange | C1839 | Iris prosthesis |

Table 5. — OPSS APC and SI for HCPCS Codes C9796 and C9797

| HCPCS Code | Long Descriptor | CY 2024 OPSS SI | CY 2024 OPSS APC | CY 2024 OPSS APC Group Title |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| C9796 | Repair of enterocutaneous fistula small intestine or colon (excluding anorectal fistula) with plug (e.g., porcine small intestine submucosa [SIS]) | J1 | 5313 | Level 3 Lower GI Procedures |
| C9797 | Vascular embolization or occlusion procedure with use of a pressure-generating catheter (e.g., one-way valve, intermittently occluding), inclusive of all radiological supervision and interpretation, intraprocedural roadmapping, and imaging guidance necessary to complete the intervention; for tumors, organ ischemia, or infarction | J1 | 5194 | Level 4 Endovascular Procedures |

Table 6. — OPSS APC and SI for HCPCS Codes G2066, 93297, and 93298

| HCPCS Code | Long Descriptor | CY 2024 OPSS SI | CY 2024 OPSS APC | CY 2024 OPSS APC Group Title |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| G2066 | Interrogation device evaluation(s), (remote) up to 30 days; implantable cardiovascular physiologic monitor system, implantable loop recorder system, or subcutaneous cardiac rhythm monitor system, remote data acquisition(s), receipt of transmissions and technician review, technical support and distribution of results | N/A Code Deleted Dec 31, 2023 | | |
| 93297 | Interrogation device evaluation(s), (remote) up to 30 days; implantable cardiovascular physiologic monitor system, including analysis of 1 or more recorded physiologic cardiovascular data elements from all internal and external sensors, analysis, review(s) and report(s) by a physician or other qualified health care professional | Q1 | 5741 | Level 1 Electronic Analysis of Devices |

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| 93298 | Interrogation device evaluation(s), (remote) up to 30 days; subcutaneous cardiac rhythm monitor system, including analysis of recorded heart rhythm data, analysis, review(s) and report(s) by a physician or other qualified health care professional | Q1 | 5741 | Level 1 Electronic Analysis of Devices |
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Table 7. — OPPS APC and SI for CPT Codes 0660T and 0661T

| HCPCS Code | Long Descriptor | April 2024 OPPS SI | April 2024 OPPS APC | CY 2024 OPPS APC Group Title |
|------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| 0660T | Implantation of anterior segment intraocular nonbiodegradable drug-eluting system, internal approach | J1 | 5492 | Level 2 Intraocular Procedures |
| 0661T | Removal and reimplantation of anterior segment intraocular nonbiodegradable drug-eluting implant | J1 | 5492 | Level 2 Intraocular Procedures |

Table 8. — APC Assignment Change for HCPCS Code C9790 (Histotripsy (i.e., non-thermal ablation via acoustic energy delivery) of malignant renal tissue, including image guidance) Retroactive to January 1, 2024

| HCPCS Code | Short Descriptor | Long Descriptor | SI | Old APC | New APC |
|------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|---------|---------|
| C9790 | Kidney histotripsy w/image | Histotripsy (ie, non-thermal ablation via acoustic energy delivery) of malignant renal tissue, including image guidance | S | 1575 | 1576 |

Table 9. - OPPS Long Descriptor, APC and SI for HCPCS Code G0138

| HCPCS Code | Long Descriptor | April 2024 OPPS SI | April 2024 OPPS APC | CY 2024 OPPS APC Group Title |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------------|
| G0138 | Intravenous infusion of ciplaglusidase alfa-atga, including provider/supplier acquisition and clinical supervision of oral administration of miglustat in preparation of receipt of ciplaglusidase alfa-atga | S | 1508 | New Technology - Level 8 (\$601 - \$700) |

Table 10. — New CY 2024 HCPCS Codes Effective April 1, 2024, for Certain Drugs, Biologicals, and Radiopharmaceuticals Receiving Pass-Through Status

| CY 2024 HCPCS Code | CY 2024 Long Descriptor | CY 2024 SI | CY 2024 APC |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| C9166 | Injection, secukinumab, intravenous, 1 mg | G | 0725 |
| C9167 | Injection, apadamtase alfa, 10 units | G | 0727 |
| C9168 | Injection, mirikizumab-mrkz, 1 mg | G | 0728 |
| J2277 | Injection, motixafortide, 0.25 mg | G | 0729 |
| J9248 | Injection, melphalan (hepzato), 1 mg | G | 0730 |

Table 11. — HCPCS Codes for Certain Drugs, Biologicals, and Radiopharmaceuticals with Pass-Through Status Ending Effective March 31, 2024

| CY 2024 HCPCS Code | CY 2024 Long Descriptor | January 2024 SI | April 2024 SI | April 2024 APC |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| J0224 | Injection, lumasiran, 0.5mg | G | K | 9407 |
| J7212 | Factor viia (antihemophilic factor, recombinant)-jncw (sevenfact), 1 microgram | G | K | 9395 |
| Q5122 | Injection, pegfilgrastim-apgf (nyvepria), biosimilar, 0.5 mg | G | K | 9406 |

Table 12. — Newly Established HCPCS Codes for Drugs, Biologicals, and Radiopharmaceuticals as of April 1, 2024

| New HCPCS Code | Old HCPCS Code | Long Descriptor | SI | APC |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| A2026 | | Restrata minimatrix, 5 mg | N | N/A |
| C9166 | | Injection, secukinumab, intravenous, 1 mg | G | 0725 |
| C9167 | | Injection, apadamtase alfa, 10 units | G | 0727 |
| C9168 | | Injection, mirikizumab-mrkz, 1 mg | G | 0728 |
| J0177 | C9161 | Injection, aflibercept hd, 1 mg | G | 0704 |
| J0209 | | Injection, sodium thiosulfate (hope), 100 mg | N | N/A |

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|-------|-------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|------|
| J0577 | | Injection, buprenorphine extended-release (brixadi), less than or equal to 7 days of therapy | G | 0732 |
| J0578 | | Injection, buprenorphine extended release (brixadi), greater than 7 days and up to 28 days of therapy | G | 0733 |
| J0589 | C9160 | Injection, daxibotulinumtoxina-lanm, 1 unit | G | 0703 |
| J0650 | | Injection, levothyroxine sodium, not otherwise specified, 10 mcg | N | N/A |
| J0651 | | Injection, levothyroxine sodium (fresenius kabi) not therapeutically equivalent to J0650, 10 mcg | K | 0734 |
| J0652 | | Injection, levothyroxine sodium (hikma) not therapeutically equivalent to J0650, 10 mcg | K | 0735 |
| J1010 | | Injection, methylprednisolone acetate, 1 mg | N | N/A |
| J1202 | | Miglustat, oral, 65 mg | E1 | N/A |
| J1203 | | Injection, cipaglucoasidase alfa-atga, 5 mg | K | 0737 |
| J1323 | C9165 | Injection, elranatamab-bcmm, 1 mg | G | 0708 |
| J1434 | | Injection, fosaprepitant (focinvez), 1 mg | E2 | N/A |
| J2277 | | Injection, motixafortide, 0.25 mg | G | 0729 |
| J2782 | C9162 | Injection, avacincaptad pegol, 0.1 mg | G | 0705 |
| J2801 | | Injection, risperidone (rykindo), 0.5 mg | K | 0739 |
| J2919 | | Injection, methylprednisolone sodium succinate, 5 mg | N | N/A |
| J3055 | C9163 | Injection, talquetamab-tgvs, 0.25 mg | G | 0706 |
| J3424 | | Injection, hydroxocobalamin, intravenous, 25 mg | K | 0740 |
| J7165 | C9159 | Injection, prothrombin complex concentrate, human-lans, per i.u. of factor ix activity | G | 0702 |
| J7354 | C9164 | Cantharidin for topical administration, 0.7%, single unit dose applicator (3.2 mg) | G | 0707 |
| J9073 | | Injection, cyclophosphamide (ingenus), 5 mg | K | 0741 |
| J9074 | | Injection, cyclophosphamide (sandoz), 5 mg | E2 | N/A |
| J9075 | | Injection, cyclophosphamide, not otherwise specified, 5 mg | K | 0743 |
| J9248 | | Injection, melphalan (hepzato), 1 mg | G | 0730 |
| J9249 | | Injection, melphalan (apotex), 1 mg | E2 | N/A |
| J9376 | | Injection, pozelimab-bbfg, 1 mg | E2 | N/A |
| Q4305 | | American amnion ac tri-layer, per square centimeter | N | N/A |
| Q4306 | | American amnion ac, per square centimeter | N | N/A |
| Q4307 | | American amnion, per square centimeter | N | N/A |
| Q4308 | | Sanopellis, per square centimeter | N | N/A |
| Q4309 | | Via matrix, per square centimeter | N | N/A |
| Q4310 | | Procenta, per 100 mg | N | N/A |
| Q5133 | | Injection, tocilizumab-bavi (tofidence), biosimilar, 1 mg | E2 | N/A |
| Q5134 | | Injection, natalizumab-sztn (tyruko), biosimilar, 1 mg | E2 | N/A |

Table 13. – HCPCS Codes for Drugs, Biologicals, and Radiopharmaceuticals Deleted as of March 31, 2024

| CY 2024 HCPCS Code | Long Descriptor | CY 2024 SI | APC |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------|
| J0576 | Injection, buprenorphine extended-release (brixadi), 1 mg | D | N/A |
| J1020 | Injection, methylprednisolone acetate, 20 mg | D | N/A |
| J1030 | Injection, methylprednisolone acetate, 40 mg | D | N/A |
| J1040 | Injection, methylprednisolone acetate, 80 mg | D | N/A |
| J1840 | Injection, kanamycin sulfate, up to 500 mg | D | N/A |
| J1850 | Injection, kanamycin sulfate, up to 75 mg | D | N/A |
| J2920 | Injection, methylprednisolone sodium succinate, up to 40 mg | D | N/A |
| J2930 | Injection, methylprednisolone sodium succinate, up to 125 mg | D | N/A |
| J9070 | Cyclophosphamide, 100 mg | D | N/A |
| J9250 | Methotrexate sodium, 5 mg | D | N/A |
| Q4244 | Procenta, per 200 mg | D | N/A |

Table 14. – HCPCS Codes for Drugs, Biologicals, and Radiopharmaceuticals Changing to a Non-Payable Status on April 1, 2024

| CY 2024 HCPCS Code | Long Descriptor | January 2024 SI | January 2024 APC | April 2024 SI | April 2024 APC |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| J9019 | Injection, asparaginase (erwinaze), 1,000 iu | K | 9289 | E2 | N/A |

Table 15. – HCPCS Codes for Drugs, Biologicals, and Radiopharmaceuticals with Descriptor Changes as of April 1, 2024

| CY 2024 HCPCS Code | January 2024 Long Descriptor | April 2024 Long Descriptor |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| J0208 | Injection, sodium thiosulfate, 100 mg | Injection, sodium thiosulfate (pedmark), 100 mg |
| J0612 | Injection, calcium gluconate (fresenius kabi), per 10 mg | Injection, calcium gluconate, not otherwise specified, 10 mg |

| CY 2024 HCPCS Code | January 2024 Long Descriptor | April 2024 Long Descriptor |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| J0613 | Injection, calcium gluconate (wg critical care), per 10 mg | Injection, calcium gluconate (wg critical care) not therapeutically equivalent to J0612, 10 mg |
| J3380 | Injection, vedolizumab, 1 mg | Injection, vedolizumab, intravenous, 1 mg |
| J3425 | Injection, hydroxocobalamin, 10 mcg | Injection, hydroxocobalamin, intramuscular, 10 mcg |
| J7516 | Cyclosporin, parenteral, 250 mg | Injection, cyclosporine, 250 mg |
| J9260 | Methotrexate sodium, 50 mg | Injection, methotrexate sodium, 50 mg |

Table 16. – Vaccine that Will Retroactively Change from Non-Payable Status to Payable Status Effective November 9, 2023, in the April 2024 I/OCE Update

| HCPCS Code | Long Descriptor | Old SI | New SI | Effective Date |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| 90589 | Chikungunya virus vaccine, live attenuated, for intramuscular use | E1 | M | 11/09/2023 |

Table 17. – New Skin Substitute Products Low Cost Group/High Cost Group Assignment Effective April 1, 2024

| CY 2024 HCPCS Code | Short Descriptor | CY 2024 SI | Low/High Cost Skin Substitute |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Q4305 | Amer am ac tri-lay per sq cm | N | Low |
| Q4306 | Americ amnion ac per sq cm | N | Low |
| Q4307 | American amnion, per sq cm | N | Low |
| Q4308 | Sanopellis, per sq cm | N | Low |
| Q4309 | Via matrix, per sq cm | N | Low |

Table 18. – Skin Substitute Product Codes Deleted Effective March 31, 2024

| CY 2024 HCPCS Code | Long Descriptor | January CY 2024 SI | April CY 2024 SI |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Q4244 | Procenta, per 200 mg | N | D |

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61.2.2 – Edit for Level 6 Intraocular Procedures APC

20.6.12 - Modifier PN

(Rev.12552; Issued:03-21-24; Effective:04-01-24; Implementation:04-01-24)

PN: Non-expected service provided at an off-campus, outpatient, provider-based department of a hospital

A. General

In accordance with Section 1833(t)(21) of the Act, as added by section 603 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015 (Pub. L. 114-74), CMS established modifier PN to identify and pay nonexcepted items and services billed on an institutional claim. Effective January 1, 2017, non-expected off-campus provider-based departments of a hospital are required to report this modifier on each claim line for non-expected items and services. The use of modifier PN will trigger a payment rate under the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (PFS). This modifier must be reported with each nonexcepted item and service including those for which payment will not be adjusted, such as separately payable drugs, clinical laboratory tests, and therapy services. Nonexcepted items and services are described in the regulations at 42 CFR 419.48.

Off-campus provider-based departments should not report both the PO and PN modifiers on the same claim line. However, if services reported on a claim reflect items and services furnished from both an expected and a nonexcepted off-campus PBD of the hospital, the PO modifier should be used on the expected claim lines and the PN modifier should be used on the nonexcepted claim lines.

Neither the PO nor the PN modifier is to be reported by the following hospital departments:

- A dedicated emergency department as defined in existing regulations at 42 CFR 489.24(b);
- A PBD that is “on the campus,” or within 250 yards, of the hospital or a remote location of the hospital as defined under 42 CFR 413.65.

B. Effect on Payment

Payment for nonexcepted items and services furnished at nonexcepted off-campus provider-based departments reported with modifier PN will result in a payment rate under the PFS effective January 1, 2017. The PN modifier is required to be reported on each claim line with each nonexcepted item and service including those for which payment will not be adjusted, such as separately payable drugs, clinical laboratory tests, and therapy services.

C. Payment for Intensive Cardiac Rehabilitation (ICR) Services

Effective January 1, 2024, ICR services furnished by a nonexcepted off-campus provider-based department are excluded from the 40 percent PFS Relativity Adjuster policy. This exclusion has been implemented at the code level. Specifically, the claims processing of HCPCS codes G0422 (Intensive cardiac rehabilitation; with or without continuous ECG monitoring with exercise, per session) and G0423 (Intensive cardiac rehabilitation; with or without continuous ECG

monitoring without exercise, per session) have been modified so that 100 percent of the OPPS rate for Cardiac Rehabilitation (CR) is paid irrespective of the presence of the PN modifier on the claim.

61.2.2 – Edit for Level 6 Intraocular Procedures APC

(Rev.12552; Issued:03-21-24; Effective:04-01-24; Implementation:04-01-24)

Effective CY 2024, the OCE will return to providers claims that report a procedure code assigned to APC 5496 – Level 6 Intraocular Procedures – but do not report the correct device code that must be implanted during the procedure. The device code must correctly reflect the type of device that was implanted during the procedure. The table below displays the procedures assigned to the Level 6 Intraocular Procedures APC as well as the appropriate device code that must be present on the claim for that procedure. Hospitals may not bypass this edit by reporting modifier “CG.”

| APC 5496 CPT Codes | Long Descriptor | Device HCPCS Code to Report with CPT code | Long Descriptor |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 0308T | Insertion of ocular telescope prosthesis including removal of crystalline lens or intraocular lens prosthesis | C1840 | Lens, intraocular (telescopic) |
| 0616T | Insertion of iris prosthesis, including suture fixation and repair or removal of iris, when performed; without removal of crystalline lens or intraocular lens, without insertion of intraocular lens | C1839 | Iris prosthesis |
| 0617T | Insertion of iris prosthesis, including suture fixation and repair or removal of iris, when performed; with removal of crystalline lens and insertion of intraocular lens | C1839 | Iris prosthesis |
| 0618T | Insertion of iris prosthesis, including suture fixation and repair or removal of iris, when performed; with secondary intraocular lens | C1839 | Iris prosthesis |

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| | <i>placement or intraocular lens exchange</i> | | |
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This edit does not apply if the provider reports one of the following modifiers with the procedure code:

52 – Reduced Services;

73 – Discontinued outpatient procedure prior to anesthesia administration; and

74 – Discontinued outpatient procedure after anesthesia administration.

If the claim is returned to the provider for failure to pass the edit, the provider will need to modify the claim by correcting the device code (only if the device code to be reported accurately describes the device that was implanted), or, by correcting the procedure code on the claim before resubmission.