Quarterly Update to the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database (MPFSDB) - July 2021 Update

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Note: We revised the Article due to a revised CR 12289. The CR revision deleted code J9314 from the table of new HCPCS codes for July 1, 2021, and after. We deleted that code from the table on page 4 of this Article. We also revised the CR release date, transmittal number, and the web address of the CR. All other information is the same.

Provider Types Affected

This MLN Matters Article is for physicians, hospitals, and other providers billing Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) for services they provide to Medicare patients that Medicare pays using the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (MPFS).

Provider Action Needed

This article informs you of the July 2021 updates of the 2021 MPFS. Make sure your billing staff is aware of these updates.

Background

CMS issued payment files to the MACs based on the CY 2021 MPFS Final Rule published in the Federal Register on December 28, 2020. These files are effective for services you furnish between January 1, 2021, and December 31, 2021.

Section 1848(c)(4) of the Social Security Act authorizes the Secretary to establish ancillary policies necessary to implement relative values for physicians' services.
Below is a summary of the changes for the July update to the 2021 MPFSDB. Unless otherwise stated, these changes are effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2021.

The following HCPCS codes have changes to the Bilateral Surgery Indicator. These changes are effective for dates of service January 1, 2021, and after.

Code	Action
69705	Bilateral Surgery = 0
69706	Bilateral Surgery = 2

We added the following new HCPCS codes effective for dates of service January 1, 2021, and after. More information on the new codes is available [here](#).

Code	Action
D0606	Procedure Status = N; there are no Relative Value Units (RVUs), payment policy indicators don't apply.
D1701	Procedure Status = I; there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
D1702	Procedure Status = I; there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
D1703	Procedure Status = I; there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
D1704	Procedure Status = I; there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
D1705	Procedure Status = I; there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
D1706	Procedure Status = I; there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
D1707	Procedure Status = I; there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.

The following new HCPCS codes are effective for dates of service February 9, 2021, and after.

Code	Action
M0245	Procedure Status = X; there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
Q0245	Procedure Status = X; there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.

We added the following new HCPCS codes effective for dates of service February 27, 2021, and after.

Code	Action
91303	Procedure Status = X; there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
0031A	Procedure Status = X; there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.

We deleted the following HCPCS codes from the MPFS effective for dates of service on and after April 17, 2021.

Code	Action
M0239	Procedure Status = I
Q0239	Procedure Status = I

We added the following new HCPCS codes effective for dates of service May 6, 2021, and after.

Code	Action
M0244	Procedure Status = X; there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
M0246	Procedure Status = X; there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.

We added the following new code effective for dates of service July 1, 2021, and after.

Code	Action
G0327	Procedure Status = X; there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.

The MPFSDB file will reflect the addition of the following new HCPCS codes effective for dates of service July 1, 2021, and after. The related descriptors and more information are on the CMS website.

Code	Action
90626	Status indicator = N, there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
90627	Status indicator = N, there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
90671	Status indicator = X, there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
90677	Status indicator = X, there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
90758	Status indicator = N, there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
Q5123	Status indicator = E, there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
A9593	Status indicator = X, there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
A9594	Status indicator = X, there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
J0224	Status indicator = E, there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
J1951	Status indicator = E, there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
J7168	Status indicator = E, there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
J9348	Status indicator = E, there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
J9353	Status indicator = E, there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.

The following CPT category III code has a change to the short descriptor effective July 1, 2021, and after.

Code	Action
0493T	short descriptor = CNTC NEAR IFR SPECTRSC WOUND

We added the new following CPT codes (0640T-0670T) effective for dates of service on and after July 1, 2021.

Code	Short Descriptor	Modifier	Indicators
0640T	NCNTC NR IFR SPCTRSC WND		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 0, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 0, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 4, Global = XXX, PhysSup indicator = 09
0641T	NCNTC NR IFR SPCTRSC WND IMG		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 0, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 0, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 3, Global = XXX, PhysSup indicator = 02
0642T	NCNTC NR IFR SPCTRSC WND I&R		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 0, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 0, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 2, Global days = XXX, PhysSup indicator = 09
0643T	TCAT LVENTR RSTRJ DEV IMPLT		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 2, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 0, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 0, Global days = YYY, PhysSup indicator = 09
0644T	TCAT RMVL/DBLK ICAR MAS PERQ		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 2, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 0, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 0, Global days = YYY, PhysSup indicator = 09

Code	Short Descriptor	Modifier	Indicators
0645T	TCAT IMPLTJ C SINS RDCTJ DEV		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 2, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 0, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 0, Global days = YYY, PhysSup indicator = 09
0646T	TTVI/RPLCMT W/PRSTC VLV PERQ		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 2, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 0, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 0, Global days = YYY, PhysSup indicator = 09
0647T	INSJ GTUBE PERQ MAG GASTRPXY		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 2, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 0, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 0, Global days = YYY, PhysSup indicator = 09
0648T	QUAN MR ALYS TISS W/O MRI		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 4, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 3, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 0, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 1, Global days = XXX, PhysSup indicator = 09
0648T	QUAN MR ALYS TISS W/O MRI	TC	Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 4, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 3, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 0, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 1, Global days = XXX, PhysSup indicator = 01
0648T	QUAN MR ALYS TISS W/O MRI	26	Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 4, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 3, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 0, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 1, Global days = XXX, PhysSup indicator = 09
0649T	QUAN MR ALYS TISS W/MRI		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 0, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 0, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 1, Global days = ZZZ, PhysSup indicator = 09

Code	Short Descriptor	Modifier	Indicators
0649T	QUAN MR ALYS TISS W/MRI	TC	Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 0, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 0, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 1, Global days = ZZZ, PhysSup indicator = 01
0649T	QUAN MR ALYS TISS W/MRI	26	Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 0, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 0, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 1, Global days = ZZZ, PhysSup indicator = 09
0650T	PRGRMG DEV EVAL SCRMS REMOTE		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 0, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 0, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 1, Global days = XXX, PhysSup indicator = 09
0650T	PRGRMG DEV EVAL SCRMS REMOTE	TC	Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 0, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 0, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 1, Global days = XXX, PhysSup indicator = 01
0650T	PRGRMG DEV EVAL SCRMS REMOTE	26	Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 0, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 0, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 1, Global days = XXX, PhysSup indicator = 09
0651T	MAG CTRLD CAPSULE ENDOSCOPY		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 0, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 0, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 0, Global days = YYY, PhysSup indicator = 09
0652T	EGD FLX TRANSNASAL DX BR/WA		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 2, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 1, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 0, Global days = YYY, PhysSup indicator = 09

Code	Short Descriptor	Modifier	Indicators
0653T	EGD FLX TRANSNASAL DX BR/WA		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 3, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 1, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 0, Global days = YYY, Endobase = 0652T, PhysSup indicator = 09
0654T	EGD FLX TRANSNASAL TUBE/CATH		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 3, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 1, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 0, Global days = YYY, Endobase = 0652T, PhysSup indicator = 09
0655T	TPRNL FOCAL ABLTJ MAL PRST8		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 2, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 1, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 0, Global days = YYY, PhysSup indicator = 09
0656T	VRT BDY TETHERING ANT <7 SEG		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 2, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 2, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 0, Global days = YYY, PhysSup indicator = 09
0657T	VRT BDY TETHERING ANT 8+ SEG		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 2, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 2, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 0, Global days = YYY, PhysSup indicator = 09
0658T	ELEC IMPD SPECTRSC 1+SKN LES		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 0, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 0, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 3, Global days = XXX, PhysSup indicator = 09
0659T	TCAT INTRA-C NFS SUPERSAT 02		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 0, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 0, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 0, Global days = YYY, PhysSup indicator = 09

Code	Short Descriptor	Modifier	Indicators
0660T	IMPLT ANT SGM IO NBIO RX SYS		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 2, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 1, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 1, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 0, Global days = YYY, PhysSup indicator = 09
0661T	RMVL&RIMPLTJ ANT SGM IMPLT		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 2, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 1, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 1, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 0, Global days = YYY, PhysSup indicator = 09
0662T	SCALP COOL 1ST MEAS&CALBRJ		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 0, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 0, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 0, Global days = XXX, PhysSup indicator = 09
0663T	SCALP COOL PLMT MNTR RMVL		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 0, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 0, Co-Surgeons indicator = 0, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 0, Global days = ZZZ, PhysSup indicator = 09
0664T	DON HYSTERECTOMY OPEN CDVR		Procedure Status = N, there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
0665T	DON HYSTERECTOMY OPEN LIV		Procedure Status = N, there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
0666T	DON HYSTERECTOMY LAPS LIV		Procedure Status = N, there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
0667T	DON HYSTERECTOMY RCP UTER		Procedure Status = N, there are no RVUs, payment policy indicators don't apply.
0668T	BKBENCH PREP DON UTER ALGRFT		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 2, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 2, Co-Surgeons indicator = 1, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 0, Global days = YYY, PhysSup indicator = 09

Code	Short Descriptor	Modifier	Indicators
0669T	BKBENCH RCNSTJ DON UTER VEN		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 2, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 2, Co-Surgeons indicator = 1, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 0, Global days = YYY, PhysSup indicator = 09
0670T	BKBENCH RCNSTJ DON UTER ARTL		Procedure Status = C, Multiple Procedure indicator = 2, Bilateral Surgery indicator = 0, Assistant at Surgery indicator = 2, Co-Surgeons indicator = 1, Team Surgeons indicator = 0, Professional/Technical Component indicator = 0, Global days = YYY, PhysSup indicator = 09

More Information

We issued CR 12289 to your MAC as the official instruction for this change.

For more information, contact your MAC.

Document History

Date of Change	Description
June 21, 2021	We revised the Article due to a revised CR 12289. The CR revision deleted code J9314 from the table of new HCPCS codes for July 1, 2021, and after. We deleted that code from the table on page 4 of this Article. We also revised the CR release date, transmittal number, and the web address of the CR. All other information is the same.
June 1, 2021	We revised this Article to show the Multiple Procedure Indicator is 0 for codes 0640T, 0641T, and 0642T on page 5. We corrected the Bilateral Surgery Indicator for 0648T to 3 on page 6. Also, we revised the Professional/Technical Component Indicator to 0 for code 0651T on page 7. All other information remains the same.
May 21, 2021	Initial article released.