

Cardiology

Schedule of Benefits
for Professional Fees

ABLATION

Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules
5960	Intracardiac catheter ablation of atrioventricular node function, atrioventricular conduction for creation of complete heart block, with or without temporary pacemaker placement	No	
5961	Intracardiac catheter ablation of arrhythmogenic focus for treatment of supraventricular or ventricular tachycardia by ablation of fast or slow atrioventricular pathways, accessory atrioventricular connections or other atrial foci, (including foci pulmonary vein) single or in combination	No	
936311	For the treatment of patients with a history of congenital heart anomalies; intracardiac EP studies (code 5502) with catheter ablation of ventricular arrhythmia or ectopic focus/ foci	No	
938407	Intracardiac electrophysiology studies with catheter ablation of arrhythmogenic left atrial focus/ foci for treatment of atrial fibrillation; linear or focal ablation, including pulmonary vein isolation (includes transeptal catheterisation) (I.P.)	No	
946541	Creation of complete heart block by intracardiac catheter ablation of atrioventricular node function, +/- temporary pacemaker	No	

ANGIOGRAM

Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules
5058	Cardiac catheterisation and coronary angiography with or without ventriculography with fractional flow reserve (FFR) intracoronary pressure measurements	No	
5080	Cardiac catheterisation (left, right or both sides) (I.P.)	No	
5090	Cardiac catheterisation and coronary angiography with or without ventriculography	No	
5200	Transeptal left heart catheterisation (I.P.)	No	

ANGIOPLASTY

Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules
5101	Coronary angioplasty, single or multiple vessel(s), with or without angiography with or without pacing	No	
938408	Elective coronary angioplasty, single or multiple vessel(s), with or without angiography with or without pacing	No	

CARDIAC TESTING

Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules
5022	Cardiovascular stress test with pharmaceutical/ chemical agent(s) includes IV administration, echocardiography, ECG with consultant Cardiologist in constant attendance	No	

CARDIOVERSION

Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules
5091	Cardioversion	No	
930991	Combination cardioversion (code 5091) and TOE (code 5109) (see codes for full description)	No	

ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY

Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules
5008	Cardiac ultrasound, (echocardiography) for patients on cytotoxic chemotherapy	No	This is an out-patient only procedure. Where code 5008 is performed on an out-patient basis in your consultant's room and they are registered to receive payment fully or partially from Irish life Health, we will cover their professional fee or part thereof by direct settlement. However, if this procedure is carried out in the consultant's rooms or in a hospital setting and you are charged a technical fee/ accommodation fee for this, you must pay for this and claim back against your radiology cost of test benefit. This benefit may be subject to an outpatient excess on some plans. Please refer to your table of cover for the benefit/excess amount.
5108	Cardiac ultrasound, (echocardiography)	No	This is an out-patient only procedure. Where code 5108 is performed on an out-patient basis in your consultant's room and they are registered to receive payment fully or partially from Irish life Health, we will cover their professional fee or part thereof by direct settlement. However, if this procedure is carried out in the consultant's rooms or in a hospital setting and you are charged a technical fee/ accommodation fee for this, you must pay for this and claim back against your radiology cost of test benefit. This benefit may be subject to an outpatient excess on some plans. Please refer to your table of cover for the benefit/excess amount.

ELECTROPHYSIOLOGIC STUDIES

Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules
5079	Biventricular pacing - insertion of pacing electrode, cardiac venous system, for left ventricular pacing, at time of insertion of pacing cardioverter-defibrillator or pacemaker pulse generator (including upgrade to dual chamber system)	No	

ELECTROPHYSIOLOGIC STUDIES

Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules
5502	Comprehensive electrophysiological evaluation with right atrial pacing and recording, right ventricular pacing and recording, HIS bundle recording, including insertion and repositioning of multiple electrode catheters.	No	

PACEMAKER

Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules
5053	Subcutaneous implantation of a patient-activated cardiac event loop recorder with memory, activator and programmer, including electronic analysis of implantable loop recorder system (ILR), (includes retrieval of recorded and stored ECG data)	No	
5054	Removal of implantable, patient-activated cardiac event loop recorder (where the original implantation met the conditions of payment)	No	
5063	Removal of single or dual chamber pacing cardioverter/ defibrillator electrode(s); by transvenous extraction	No	
5065	Insertion or replacement of temporary transvenous single chamber cardiac electrode or pacemaker catheter	No	
5071	Insertion or replacement of permanent pacemaker with transvenous electrode(s); single chamber	No	
5072	Insertion or replacement of permanent pacemaker with transvenous electrode(s); dual chamber	No	
5073	Insertion or replacement of pacemaker pulse generator only; single chamber atrial or ventricular	No	
5074	Insertion or replacement of pacemaker pulse generator only (includes defibrillator pulse generator); dual chamber	No	
5076	Insertion, replacement or repositioning of permanent transvenous electrode(s) only (15 days or more after initial insertion); single chamber	No	
5077	Insertion, replacement or repositioning of permanent transvenous electrode(s) only (15 days or more after initial insertion); dual chamber	No	
938400	Insertion or repositioning of permanent transvenous cardiac electrode(s) and lead(s) - 15 days or more after initial insertion	No	
938401	Extraction of transvenous permanent pacemaker electrode - single lead - 15 days or more after initial insertion	No	
938402	Extraction of transvenous permanent pacemaker electrodes, multiple leads	No	
938403	Intracardiac electrophysiologic studies with catheter ablation for treatment of ventricular arrhythmia or ectopic focus/foci, or for patients with a history of congenital heart anomalies	No	
938404	Insertion of automatic implantable cardioverter/ defibrillator, single chamber	No	
938405	Insertion of automatic implantable cardioverter/ defibrillator, dual chamber	No	
938406	Insertion of automatic implantable cardioverter/ defibrillator, biventricular	No	

PAEDIATRIC CARDIOLOGY

Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules
5034	Major consultation and trans-thoracic echocardiography, initial assessment of an infant or child under 16 with suspected heart disease, for the diagnosis or exclusion of complex congenital or acquired cardiac anomalies or where a detailed follow up examination is indicated. Also for adults with congenital heart disease assessed by a consultant Paediatric Cardiologist	No	Your consultant knows that there are certain medical criteria that must be met when having this procedure in order for it to be covered under your plan. We urge you to discuss these directly with your consultant.
5089	Trans-oesophageal echocardiography for congenital cardiac anomalies in children under 16 years of age; including probe placement, image acquisition, interpretation and report	No	
5093	Paediatric cardiac catheterisation (left, right or both sides)	No	
5094	Paediatric cardiac catheterisation and cardiac angiography combined	No	

PTCA

Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules
5103	Transcatheter placement of intracoronary stent(s) (other than drug eluting stents), percutaneous, with or without other therapeutic intervention, with or without angiography, any method, single vessel	No	
5111	Transcatheter placement of intracoronary stents (other than drug eluting stents), percutaneous, with or without other therapeutic intervention, with or without angiography, any method, more than one vessel	No	
5115	Percutaneous transcatheter closure of congenital interatrial communication (i.e. Fontan fenestration, atrial septal defect) with implant, including right heart catheterisation	No	
5116	Transcatheter placement of drug eluting stent(s), percutaneous, with or without other therapeutic intervention, with or without angiography, any method, single vessel	No	
5117	Transcatheter placement of drug eluting stents, percutaneous, with or without other therapeutic intervention, with or without angiography, any method, more than one vessel	No	
5119	Percutaneous transcatheter closure of congenital ventricular septal defect with implant including right heart catheterisation	No	
938409	Placement of drug eluting intracoronary stent(s), any method, single vessel - elective	No	
938410	Placement of drug eluting intracoronary stents, any method, more than one vessel - elective	No	
938411	Placement of non-drug eluting intracoronary stent(s), any method, more than one vessel - elective	No	

TAVI

Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules
5133	Transcatheter Aortic Valve Implantation (TAVI) for aortic stenosis - Edwards Sapien (I.P.) Please note different reimbursement rates for Allegra TAVI - see Code 935133	Yes	Your consultant knows that there are certain medical criteria that must be met when having this procedure in order for it to be covered under your plan. We urge you to discuss these directly with your consultant.
935133	Transcatheter Aortic Valve Implantation (TAVI) for aortic stenosis - Allegra (I.P.)	Yes	Your consultant knows that there are certain medical criteria that must be met when having this procedure in order for it to be covered under your plan. We urge you to discuss these directly with your consultant.