

Pain Medicine

Schedule of Benefits for Professional Fees

ARTI	RTHROCENTESIS/ INJECTIONS				
Code	Description	Pre- Approval Required	Payment Rules		
4332	Arthrocentesis, aspiration and/ or injection; small joint, bursa or ganglion cyst (e.g. fingers, toes) (I.P.)	No			
4333	Arthrocentesis, aspiration and/ or injection; intermediate joint, bursa or ganglion cyst (e.g. temporomandibular acromioclavicular, wrist, elbow or ankle, olecranon bursa) (I.P.)	No			
4334	Arthrocentesis, aspiration and/ or injection; major joint or bursa (e.g. shoulder, hip, knee joint, subacromial bursa) (I.P.)	No			
5624	Injection, anaesthetic agent, intercostal nerve, single (I.P.)	No			
5625	Injection, anaesthetic agent, intercostal nerve, multiple, regional block (I.P.)	No			
174334	Arthrocentesis, aspiration and/or injection; major joint or bursa (e.g. shoulder, hip, knee joint, subacromial bursa) (I.P.) - 2 aspirations / injections in same episode	No			
174335	Arthrocentesis, aspiration and/ or injection; major joint or bursa (e.g. shoulder, hip, knee joint, subacromial bursa) (I.P.) - 3 or more aspirations / injections in same episode	No			
304332	Arthrocentesis, aspiration and/ or injection; small joint, bursa or ganglion cyst (e.g. fingers, toes), including ultrasound guidance (I.P.)	No			
304333	Arthrocentesis, aspiration and/ or injection; intermediate joint, bursa or ganglion cyst (e.g. temporomandibular acromioclavicular, wrist, elbow or ankle, olecranon bursa) including ultrasound guidance (I.P.)	No			
304334	Arthrocentesis, aspiration and/or injection; major joint or bursa (e.g. shoulder, hip, knee joint, subacromial bursa) including ultrasound guidance (I.P.)	No			

EEG	EEG		
Code	Description	Pre- Approval Required	Payment Rules
5905	Video telemetric electroencephalogram (EEG) recordings including full clinical evaluation and placement of sphenoidal electrodes	No	
5906	Video telemetric electroencephalogram (EEG) recordings including full clinical evaluation following placement of sub dural electrodes	No	

EMG			
Code	Description	Pre- Approval Required	Payment Rules
5880	Electromyography (EMG)	No	
5881	Electromyography (EMG) study, rectal mucosal sensitivity testing	No	

EPID	EPIDURAL				
Code	Description	Pre- Approval Required	Payment Rules		
3540	Epidural injection (I.P.)	No			
3541	Caudal epidural (I.P.)	No			
	Epidural injection, of anaesthetic substances and/ or therapeutic substances, diagnostic or therapeutic under radiological guidance one or more levels at the same session (I.P.)	No			
3545	Epidural infusion with cannula	No			

IMPI	IMPLANTABLE PUMPS		
Code	Description	Pre- Approval Required	Payment Rules
5038	Refilling and maintenance of implantable pump or reservoir including access to pump port (I.P.)	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.
5039	Implantation of catheter system and reservoir; tunnelled, intrathecal or epidural catheter for long term medication administration via an external pump or implantable reservoir/ infusion pump (I.P.)	No	
5042	Removal of subcutaneous implantable pump (does not apply to removal of CVC) (I.P.)	No	

NE	NERVES		
Code	Description	Pre- Approval Required	Payment Rules
558	Destruction by neurolytic agent (chemodenervation of muscle endplate); muscles enervated by facial nerve (e.g. for blepharospasm, hemifacial spasm)	No	
	Implantation of neurostimulator electrodes, Vagus nerve	No	

NER	NERVES			
Code	Description	Pre- Approval Required	Payment Rules	
5610	Sensory nerve, neurectomy	No		
5622	E.C.T. (each session)	No		

NEU	NEURO STIMULATORS				
Code	Description	Pre- Approval Required	Payment Rules		
5043	Removal of spinal neurostimulator pulse generator or receiver, or neurostimulator electrode percutaneous array(s) or plate/paddle(s) (I.P.)	No			
5044	Revision including replacement, when performed, or re-positioning of spinal neurostimulator electrode percutaneous array(s) or plate/ paddle(s); includes fluoroscopy (l.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.		
5051	Replacement of spinal neurostimulator pulse generator or receiver direct or inductive coupling (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.		
5984	Insertion of spinal cord stimulator - trial stage (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.		
5999	Insertion of spinal cord stimulator - implantation stage (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.		
636052	Removal of implanted neurostimulator	No			
636999	Combined fee for insertion of spinal cord stimulator - trial and implantation stage on same day (I.P.)	Yes			

PAIN	PAIN BLOCK/ INJECTION				
Code	Description	Pre- Approval Required	Payment Rules		
1220	Botulinum injection for headaches and migraine	No			
3543	Percutaneous lysis of epidural adhesions using solution injection (e.g. hypertonic saline, enzyme) or mechanical means (e.g. catheter) including radiological localisation (includes local anaesthesia and contrast when administered), one or more sessions (I.P.)	No	This benefit is limited to 2 treatments per year		
5575	Injection of trigeminal ganglion via foramen ovule under image guidance (I.P.)	No			
5580	Destruction by radiofrequency lesioning of trigeminal ganglion via foramen ovule under x-ray guidance via foramen ovule (I.P.)	No			
5611	Transforaminal injection of anaesthetic agent, assessment of response and application of steroid if indicated to medial branch nerve or dorsal root ganglion at one or more levels under image guidance (I.P.)	No			
5615	Peripheral nerve block for pain control using nerve stimulator or ultrasound guidance (I.P.)	No			
5620	Sympathetic block, under image guidance (I.P.)	No			
5621	Intravenous regional block/ sympathectomy by Bier's technique (I.P.)	No			
5719	Chemical sympathectomy, lumbar or coeliac plexus under image guidance (I.P.)	No			

	PULSED RADIOFREQUENCY			
(ode	Description	Pre- Approval Required	Payment Rules
	5612	Pulsed radiofrequency (PRF) lesioning of medial branch nerve or dorsal root ganglion, one or more levels under image guidance with sensorimotor testing (I.P.)	No	
	5614	Peripheral nerve lesioning including pulsed radiofrequency or electrical stimulation (I.P.)	No	

RHIZ	RHIZOTOMY			
Code	Description	Pre- Approval Required	Payment Rules	
5616	Per site - First/Initial only neurodestructive thermal rhizotomy (temperature > 69°C) under image guidance, with sensory and motor testing, three levels, lumbar, sacral or thoracic. Subsequent treatments of same site within 18 months, see code 5618 (I.P.)	No		
5617	Per site - First/Initial only neurodestructive thermal rhizotomy (temperature > 69°C) under image guidance, with sensory and motor testing, three levels, cervical. Subsequent treatments of same site within 18 months, see code 5619 (I.P.)	No		
5618	Subsequent procedure 5616 to the same anatomical site, one or more levels, lumbar, sacral or thoracic - less than 18 months after initial procedure (I.P.)	No		
5619	Subsequent procedure 5617 to the same anatomical site, one or more levels, cervical - less than 18 months after initial procedure (I.P.)	No		