

# BULLETIN

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota  
and Blue Plus

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## Update to Attachment B: Definition of Outpatient Health Services Categories

Part of your 2008 Institutional Provider Service Agreement with Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and Blue Plus is a document entitled “Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota: Attachment B: Definition of Outpatient Health Service Categories.”

As stated in that document, we are notifying you of new codes that were added and to which outpatient health service category codes have been assigned. Specifically, the agreement reads as follows: “Provider Bulletins will inform providers when new codes are released by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and the American Medical Association (AMA) during the 2008 calendar year. The CPT, HCPCS, revenue and diagnosis codes listed are effective January 1, 2008. New codes will be added to the pertinent categories as updates are published and received. Any CPT or HCPCS codes that have not been assigned to a specific category will be attributed to the Non-Emergency services Category VIII below.”

Please note that not all hospitals will be affected by these changes. To verify if your hospital is affected, please refer to your Institutional Provider Service Agreement with Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota.

### Added Codes

CPT/HCPCS	Description	2008 Category	2007 Category	2006 Category
29828	Arthroscopy biceps tenodesis	Arthroscopy	Arthroscopy	Arthroscopy
29904	Subtalar arthro w/fb rmlvl	Arthroscopy	Arthroscopy	Arthroscopy
29905	Subtalar arthro w/exc	Arthroscopy	Arthroscopy	Arthroscopy
29906	Subtalar arthro w/deb	Arthroscopy	Arthroscopy	Arthroscopy
29907	Subtalar arthro w/fusion	Arthroscopy	Arthroscopy	Arthroscopy
0178T	64 lead ecg w i&r	Cardiac Testing	Cardiac Testing	Cardiac Testing
0179T	64 lead ecg w tracing	Cardiac Testing	Cardiac Testing	Cardiac Testing
0180T	64 lead ecg w i&r only	Cardiac Testing	Cardiac Testing	Cardiac Testing
58570	Tlh, uterus 250 g or less	Laparoscopy/D & C	Laparoscopy/D & C	Laparoscopy/D & C
58571	Tlh w/t/o 250 g or less	Laparoscopy/D & C	Laparoscopy/D & C	Laparoscopy/D & C
58572	Tlh, uterus over 250 g	Laparoscopy/D & C	Laparoscopy/D & C	Laparoscopy/D & C
58573	Tlh w/t/o uterus over 250 g	Laparoscopy/D & C	Laparoscopy/D & C	Laparoscopy/D & C
36591	Draw blood off venous device	Microscopic Lab	Microscopic Lab	Microscopic Lab
36592	Collect blood from picc	Microscopic Lab	Microscopic Lab	Microscopic Lab
80047	Metabolic panel ionized ca	Microscopic Lab	Microscopic Lab	Microscopic Lab
82610	Cystatin c	Microscopic Lab	Microscopic Lab	Microscopic Lab
83993	Assay for calprotectin fecal	Microscopic Lab	Microscopic Lab	Microscopic Lab

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87500	Vanomycin, dna, amp probe	Microscopic Lab	Microscopic Lab	Microscopic Lab
87809	Adenovirus assay w/optic	Microscopic Lab	Microscopic Lab	Microscopic Lab
88381	Microdissection, manual	Microscopic Lab	Microscopic Lab	Microscopic Lab
89322	Semen anal, strict criteria	Microscopic Lab	Microscopic Lab	Microscopic Lab
89331	Retrograde ejaculation anal	Microscopic Lab	Microscopic Lab	Microscopic Lab
75557	Cardiac mri for morph	MRI/MRA	MRI/MRA	MRI/MRA
75558	Cardiac mri flow/velocity	MRI/MRA	MRI/MRA	MRI/MRA
75559	Cardiac mri w/stress img	MRI/MRA	MRI/MRA	MRI/MRA
75560	Cardiac mri flow/vel/stress	MRI/MRA	MRI/MRA	MRI/MRA
75561	Cardiac mri for morph w/dye	MRI/MRA	MRI/MRA	MRI/MRA
75562	Card mri flow/vel w/dye	MRI/MRA	MRI/MRA	MRI/MRA
75563	Card mri w/stress img & dye	MRI/MRA	MRI/MRA	MRI/MRA
75564	Ht mri w/flo/vel/strs & dye	MRI/MRA	MRI/MRA	MRI/MRA
27416	Osteochondral knee autograft	Scheduled Surgery 2	Scheduled Surgery 2	Scheduled Surgery 2
27769	Opx post ankle fx	Scheduled Surgery 2	Scheduled Surgery 2	Scheduled Surgery 2
28446	Osteochondral talus autogrft	Scheduled Surgery 2	Scheduled Surgery 2	Scheduled Surgery 2
52649	2Prostate laser enucleation	Scheduled Surgery 2	Scheduled Surgery 2	Scheduled Surgery 2
57423	Repair paravag defect, lap	Scheduled Surgery 2	Scheduled Surgery 2	Scheduled Surgery 2
49203	Exc abd tum 5 cm or less	Scheduled Surgery 3	Scheduled Surgery 3	Scheduled Surgery 3
50593	Perc cryo ablate renal tum	Scheduled Surgery 3	Scheduled Surgery 3	Scheduled Surgery 3
57285	Repair paravag defect, vag	Scheduled Surgery 3	Scheduled Surgery 3	Scheduled Surgery 3
67041	Vit for macular pucker	Scheduled Surgery 3	Scheduled Surgery 3	Scheduled Surgery 3
67042	Vit for macular hole	Scheduled Surgery 3	Scheduled Surgery 3	Scheduled Surgery 3
67043	Vit for membrane dissect	Scheduled Surgery 3	Scheduled Surgery 3	Scheduled Surgery 3
67113	Repair retinal detach, cplx	Scheduled Surgery 3	Scheduled Surgery 3	Scheduled Surgery 3
20555	Place ndl musc/tis for rt	Scheduled Surgery 4	Scheduled Surgery 4	Scheduled Surgery 4
24357	Repair elbow, perc	Scheduled Surgery 4	Scheduled Surgery 4	Scheduled Surgery 4
24358	Repair elbow w/deb, open	Scheduled Surgery 4	Scheduled Surgery 4	Scheduled Surgery 4
24359	Repair elbow deb/attch open	Scheduled Surgery 4	Scheduled Surgery 4	Scheduled Surgery 4
27726	Repair fibula nonunion	Scheduled Surgery 4	Scheduled Surgery 4	Scheduled Surgery 4
32550	Insert pleural cath	Scheduled Surgery 4	Scheduled Surgery 5	Scheduled Surgery 6
41019	Place needles h&n for rt	Scheduled Surgery 4	Scheduled Surgery 4	Scheduled Surgery 4
55920	Place needles pelvic for rt	Scheduled Surgery 4	Scheduled Surgery 4	Scheduled Surgery 4
0186T	Suprachoroidal drug delivery	Scheduled Surgery 5	Scheduled Surgery 5	Scheduled Surgery 5
49442	Place cecostomy tube perc	Scheduled Surgery 5	Scheduled Surgery 5	Scheduled Surgery 5
50385	Change stent via transureth	Scheduled Surgery 5	Scheduled Surgery 5	Scheduled Surgery 5
51102	Drain bl w/cath insertion	Scheduled Surgery 5	Scheduled Surgery 5	Scheduled Surgery 5
68816	Probe nl duct w/balloon	Scheduled Surgery 5	Scheduled Surgery 5	Scheduled Surgery 5
0183T	Wound ultrasound	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6
20985	Cptr-asst dir ms px	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 7
20986	Cptr-asst dir ms px io img	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 7
20987	Cptr-asst dir ms px pre img	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 7
21073	Mnpj of tmj w/anesth	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6
27267	Cltx thigh fx	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6
27767	Cltx post ankle fx	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6
27768	Cltx post ankle fx w/mnpj	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6

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32421	Thoracentesis for aspiration	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6
32422	Thoracentesis w/tube insert	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6
32551	Insertion of chest tube	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6
32560	Treat lung lining chemically	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6
36593	Declot vascular device	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6
49440	Place gastrostomy tube perc	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6
49441	Place duod/jej tube perc	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6
49446	Change g-tube to g-j perc	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6
49450	Replace g/c tube perc	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6
49451	Replace duod/jej tube perc	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6
49452	Replace g-j tube perc	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6
49460	Fix g/colon tube w/device	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6
49465	Fluoro exam of g/colon tube	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6
50386	Remove stent via transureth	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6
51100	Drain bladder by needle	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6
51101	Drain bladder by trocar/cath	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6
60300	Aspir/inj thyroid cyst	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6
67229	Tr retinal les preterm inf	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6	Scheduled Surgery 6
0184T	Exc rectal tumor endoscopic	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7
22206	Cut spine 3 col, thor	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7
22207	Cut spine 3 col, lumb	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7
22208	Cut spine 3 col, addl seg	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7
27268	Cltx thigh fx w/mnpj	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7
27269	Optx thigh fx	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7
33257	Ablate atria, lmted, add-on	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7
33258	Ablate atria, x10sv, add-on	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7
33259	Ablate atria w/bypass add-on	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7
33864	Ascending aortic graft	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7
34806	Aneurysm press sensor add-on	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7
35523	Artery bypass graft	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7
49204	Exc abd tum over 5 cm	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7
49205	Exc abd tum over 10 cm	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7	Scheduled Surgery 7

### Provider Policy and Procedure manual

If you believe a claim has processed in an incorrect category, please follow the procedures to request an adjustment as indicated in Chapter 9 of the online Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota Provider Policy and Procedure manual.

### Questions?

If you have any questions, please contact provider service at (651) 662-5200 or toll free at 1-800-262-0820.

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