

2007 CODING & PAYMENT QUICK REFERENCE

BACKGROUND

- According to CPT Information Services, a coding advisory arm of the AMA, “transurethral incision of the prostate (52450) and transurethral resection of the bladder neck (52500) are considered inclusive components to code 52648.” We do not recommend that either be reported with 52648.

MEDICARE PHYSICIAN, HOSPITAL OUTPATIENT & ASC PAYMENTS

CPT® Code	Code Description	Physician		Facility	
		MD In-Office Payment ¹	MD In-Facility Payment ¹	Hospital Outpatient Payment ²	ASC Payment ³
52648	Laser vaporization of prostate, including control of postoperative bleeding, complete	\$2,944	\$645	\$2,649	\$1,339
52647	Laser coagulation of prostate, including control of postoperative bleeding, complete	\$2,908	\$603	\$2,649	\$1,339

MEDICARE HOSPITAL INPATIENT PAYMENT

ICD-9-CM Procedure Code	ICD-9-CM Diagnosis Code	Possible DRG Assignment
60.21- Transurethral guided laser induced prostatectomy	600.00 – 600.91 – Assorted benign prostate diagnoses	336- Transurethral prostatectomy, with complications or comorbidities (CC) \$4,546 ^{4,5}
60.29- Other transurethral prostatectomy		337- Transurethral prostatectomy w/o CC \$3,116 ⁵
60.93- Repair of prostate		

¹ MD payments calculated using the 2007 conversion factor of \$37.8975 and mandated budget neutrality work adjuster of 0.8994. Source: December 1, 2006 Federal Register.

² Hospital Outpatient payments are 2007 Medicare national averages. Source: November 24, 2006 Federal Register. Actual rates will vary geographically.

³ ASC payments are from the 2007 Update to the Ambulatory Surgical Center Covered Procedures List. Source: November 24, 2006 Federal Register.

⁴ The patient’s medical record must support the existence and treatment of the complication or comorbidity.

⁵ National average (wage index greater than one) DRG rates calculated using the national adjusted full update standardized labor, non-labor and capital amounts (\$5301.52). Source: October 11, 2006 Federal Register (update).

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