Article - Billing and Coding: Percutaneous Vertebral Augmentation (PVA) for Vertebral Compression Fracture (VCF) (A57752)

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Novitas Solutions, Inc.	A and B MAC	04212 - MAC B	J - H	New Mexico
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Novitas Solutions, Inc.	A and B MAC	04411 - MAC A	J - H	Texas
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Novitas Solutions, Inc.	A and B MAC	12301 - MAC A	J - L	Maryland
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- CMS IOM Publication 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual,
 - Chapter 23, Section 20.9 National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI)
- CMS IOM Publication 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual,
 - Chapter 30, Section 50 Form CMS-R-131 Advance beneficiary Notice of Noncoverage (ABN)

Social Security Act (Title XVIII) Standard References:

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Article Guidance

Article Text

This Billing and Coding Article provides billing and coding guidance for Local Coverage Determination (LCD) L35130 (Percutaneous Vertebral Augmentation (PVA) for Vertebral Compression Fracture (VCF). Please refer to the LCD for reasonable and necessary requirements.

Coding Guidance

Notice: It is not appropriate to bill Medicare for services that are not covered (as described by the entire LCD) as if they are covered. When billing for non-covered services, use the appropriate modifier.

Documentation Requirements

- 1. All documentation must be maintained in the patient's medical record and made available to the contractor upon request.
- 2. Every page of the record must be legible and include appropriate patient identification information (e.g., complete name, dates of service[s]). The documentation must include the legible signature of the physician or non-physician practitioner responsible for and providing the care to the patient.
- 3. The submitted medical record must support the use of the selected ICD-10-CM code(s). The submitted CPT/HCPCS code must describe the service performed.

Coding Information

- 1. Percutaneous vertebral augmentation including cavity creation using mechanical device of one vertebral body must be reported with CPT codes 22513 (thoracic), 22514 (lumbar) and 22515 (each additional thoracic or lumbar vertebral body [list separately in addition to code for the primary procedure]).
- 2. Modifiers 50, LT/RT are not required for CPT codes 22510, 22511, 22512, 22513, 22514, and 22515. The CPT descriptor is per vertebral body, unilateral or bilateral.
- 3. Standard payment adjustment rules for multiple procedures will apply if performed at more than one level on the same date of service.
- 4. Bone biopsy is considered integral to both percutaneous vertebroplasty and percutaneous vertebral augmentation procedures and should not be billed separately unless the biopsy is at a different site or performed during a different session.
- 5. If bone biopsy is performed on a separate site, modifier 59 or modifier XS Separate Structure, must be

reported with the CPT code submitted and documentation must clearly support a separate and distinct procedure from the procedure performed. Identify the site (such as L1) in the item 19 of the CMS 1500 form or its electronic equivalent.

- 6. Payment of vertebroplasty and vertebral augmentation will be all-inclusive for the entire procedure (i.e. injection, intraosseous venography, etc.).
- 7. No separate payment for venography performed during the operative session may be allowed and it should not be separately billed.
- 8. The "assistant at surgery" Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database indicator for percutaneous vertebroplasty and percutaneous vertebral augmentation (kyphoplasty) procedures is "1." Therefore, a statutory payment restriction for assistants at surgery applies to this procedure and an assistant at surgery may not be paid.

For services requiring a referring/ordering physician, the name and NPI of the referring/ordering physician must be reported on the claim.

The diagnosis code(s) must best describe the patient's condition for which the service was performed.

An Advance Beneficiary Notice of Noncoverage (ABN) may be used for services which are likely to be non-covered, whether for medical necessity or for other reasons. Refer to CMS IOM Publication 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 30, for complete instructions.

All services/procedures performed on the same day for the same beneficiary by the physician/provider should be billed on the same claim.

Coding Information

CPT/HCPCS Codes

Group 1 Paragraph:

Note: Providers are reminded to refer to the long descriptors of the CPT codes in their CPT book.

Group 1 Codes: (6 Codes)

CODE	DESCRIPTION	
22510	Perq cervicothoracic inject	
22511	Perq lumbosacral injection	
22512	Vertebroplasty addl inject	
22513	Perq vertebral augmentation	
22514	Perq vertebral augmentation	
22515	Perq vertebral augmentation	

CPT/HCPCS Modifiers

Group 1 Paragraph:

N/A

Group 1 Codes:

N/A

ICD-10-CM Codes that Support Medical Necessity

Group 1 Paragraph:

It is the provider's responsibility to select codes carried out to the highest level of specificity and selected from the ICD-10-CM code book appropriate to the year in which the service is rendered for the claim(s) submitted.

Medicare is establishing the following limited coverage for CPT/HCPCS codes: 22510, 22511, 22512, 22513, 22514, and 22515 for Osteoporotic Vertebral Fractures.

Covered for:

Group 1 Codes: (4 Codes)

CODE	DESCRIPTION
M80.08XA	Age-related osteoporosis with current pathological fracture, vertebra(e), initial encounter for fracture
M80.08XS	Age-related osteoporosis with current pathological fracture, vertebra(e), sequela
M80.88XA	Other osteoporosis with current pathological fracture, vertebra(e), initial encounter for fracture
M80.88XS	Other osteoporosis with current pathological fracture, vertebra(e), sequela

Group 2 Paragraph:

It is the provider's responsibility to select codes carried out to the highest level of specificity and selected from the ICD-10-CM code book appropriate to the year in which the service is rendered for the claim(s) submitted.

The following ICD-10-CM codes support medical necessity and provide coverage for (CPT/HCPCS) codes: **22510**, **22511**, **22512**, **22513**, **22514** and **22515** for Malignant Fractures.

Group 2 Codes: (2 Codes)

CODE	DESCRIPTION
M84.58XA*	Pathological fracture in neoplastic disease, other specified site, initial encounter for fracture
M84.58XS*	Pathological fracture in neoplastic disease, other specified site, sequela

Group 2 Medical Necessity ICD-10-CM Codes Asterisk Explanation:

*Dual Diagnosis Requirement - M84.58XA or M84.58XS must be reported with either C41.2, C79.51, C79.52,

C90.00, C90.01 or C90.02.

ICD-10-CM Codes that DO NOT Support Medical Necessity

Group 1 Paragraph:

All those not listed under the "ICD-10 Codes that Support Medical Necessity" section of this policy.

Group 1 Codes: (1 Code)

CODE	DESCRIPTION
XX000	Not Applicable

ICD-10-PCS Codes

N/A

Additional ICD-10 Information

N/A

Bill Type Codes

Contractors may specify Bill Types to help providers identify those Bill Types typically used to report this service. Absence of a Bill Type does not guarantee that the article does not apply to that Bill Type. Complete absence of all Bill Types indicates that coverage is not influenced by Bill Type and the article should be assumed to apply equally to all claims.

CODE	DESCRIPTION
999x	Not Applicable

Revenue Codes

Contractors may specify Revenue Codes to help providers identify those Revenue Codes typically used to report this service. In most instances Revenue Codes are purely advisory. Unless specified in the article, services reported under other Revenue Codes are equally subject to this coverage determination. Complete absence of all Revenue Codes indicates that coverage is not influenced by Revenue Code and the article should be assumed to apply equally to all Revenue Codes.

CODE	DESCRIPTION
99999	Not Applicable

Other Coding Information

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07/12/2020	R5	Article revised and published on 01/27/2022 to add an asterisk to M84.58XA and M84.58XS in ICD-10-CM code group 2. Diagnosis codes C41.2, C79.51, C79.52, C90.00, C90.02 and C90.02 have been removed from the ICD-10-CM group 2 table. The Group 2 Medical Necessity ICD-10-CM Codes Asterisk Explanation was revised to state "Dual Diagnosis Requirement – M84.58XA or M84.58XS must be reported with either C41.2, C79.51, C79.52, C90.00, C90.01 or C90.02.	
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