



# SpaceOAR™ and SpaceOAR Vue™ Hydrogel Systems

## 2024 Coding & Payment Quick Reference

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The following codes are thought to be relevant to SpaceOAR™ and SpaceOAR Vue™ procedures and are referenced throughout this guide.

To determine whether there are relevant C-codes for any Boston Scientific products, please visit our C-code finder at <http://www.bostonscientific.com/en-US/reimbursement/ccode-finder.html>.

C-Codes are tracking codes established by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to assist Medicare in establishing future APC payment rates. C-Codes only apply to Medicare hospital outpatient claims. They do not trigger additional payment to the facility today.

It is very important that hospitals report C-Codes as well as the associated device costs. This will help inform and potentially increase future outpatient hospital payment rates.

**CPT® /  
HCPCS  
Code**

**Code Description**

55874 Transperineal placement of biodegradable material, peri-prostatic, single or multiple injection(s), including image guidance, when performed

## Physician Payment – Medicare

All rates shown are **2024 Medicare national averages**; actual rates will vary geographically and/or by individual facility. “Allowed Amount” is the amount Medicare determines to be the maximum allowance for any Medicare covered procedure. Actual payment will vary based on the maximum allowance less any applicable deductibles, co-insurances, etc. The 2024 National Average Medicare physician payment rates have been calculated using a 2024 conversion factor effective March 9, 2024, of \$33.2875. Rates subject to change.

CPT® / HCPCS Code	Work RVU	Non-Facility Practice Expense RVU	Facility Practice Expense RVU	Malpractice RVU	Total Office-Based RVU	Total Facility-Based RVU	MD In-Office Medicare Allowed Amount	MD In-Facility Medicare Allowed Amount
55874	3.03	81.87	1.52	0.32	85.22	4.87	\$2,837	\$162

## Hospital Outpatient Payment – Medicare

CPT® / HCPCS Code	Short Description	Payment Status Indicator	APC	Hospital Outpatient Medicare Allowed Amount
55874*	Transperineal placement of biodegradable material, peri-prostatic, single or multiple injection(s), including image guidance, when performed	J1	5375	\$4,935

*\*Considered a device intensive procedure by CMS, SpaceOAR™ material must be reported with device code C1889, on the same claims form as the placement code. See page 2 for more information.*

## ASC Payment – Medicare

CPT® / HCPCS Code	Short Description	Subject to Multiple Procedure Reduction Indicator	Final Payment Indicator	ASC Medicare Allowed Amount
55874*	Transperineal placement of biodegradable material, peri-prostatic, single or multiple injection(s), including image guidance, when performed	Y	J8	\$3,748

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## ICD-10 CM Diagnosis Code

ICD-10 CM Diagnosis Code	Description
C61	Malignant neoplasm of prostate

## C-Code Information

For all C-Code information, please reference the C-code Finder: <http://www.bostonscientific.com/en-US/reimbursement/ccode-finder.html>

Code	Description
C1889	Implantable/insertable device, not otherwise classified

On claims for Medicare beneficiaries, hospitals should report not only the appropriate CPT® Code, but also C-Code C1889.

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## Suggested Revenue Codes

Code	Description
278†	Medical/surgical supplied and devices/other implants

Physician payment rates are 2024 Medicare national averages. Source: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. CMS Physician Fee Schedule – November 2023 release, CMS-1784-F file. <https://www.cms.gov/medicare/medicare-fee-service-payment/physicianfeesched/pfs-federal-regulation-notices/cms-1784-f>

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Hospital outpatient payment rates are 2024 Medicare OPPS Addendum B national averages. Source: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. CMS OPPS – November 2023 release, CMS-1786-FC file. <https://www.cms.gov/medicare/payment/prospective-payment-systems/hospital-outpatient/regulations-notices/cms-1786-fc>

ASC payment rates are 2024 Medicare ASC Addendum AA national averages. ASC rates are from the 2024 Ambulatory Surgical Center Covered Procedures List. Source: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. CMS ASC – November 2023 release, ASC Approved HCPCS Code and Payment Rates <https://www.cms.gov/medicare/payment/prospective-payment-systems/ambulatory-surgical-center-asc/asc-regulations-and/cms-1786-fc>

National average (wage index greater than one and hospital submitted quality data and is a meaningful HER user) MS-DRG rates calculated using the national adjusted full update standardized labor, non-labor, and capital amounts. Source: August 2023 Federal Register, CMS-1785-CN. FY 2024 rates. <https://www.cms.gov/medicare/payment/prospective-payment-systems/acute-inpatient-pps/fy-2024-pps-final-rule-home-page#Tables>

ICD-10 MS-DRG definitions from the CMS ICD-10-CM/PCS MS-DRG v38.1 Definitions Manual. Source: [https://www.cms.gov/icd10m/version37-fullcode-cms/fullcode\\_cms/P0001.html](https://www.cms.gov/icd10m/version37-fullcode-cms/fullcode_cms/P0001.html)

Comprehensive APCs (C-APCs): In 2014, CMS implemented their C-APC policy with the goal of identifying certain high-cost, device-related outpatient procedures (formerly “device intensive” APCs). CMS has fully implemented this policy and has identified these high-cost, device-related services as the primary service on a claim. All other services reported on the same date will be considered “adjunctive, supportive, related, or dependent services” provided to support the delivery of the primary service and will be unconditionally packaged into the OPSS C-APC payment of the primary services with minor exceptions.

† According to Medicare, devices do not need to remain in the body to be classified as “implants.”<sup>1,2</sup>

1 Preamble to the Inpatient Prospective Payment update regulation for FY 2009 (73 FR 48462).

2 Revenue Code 278 - Definition in UB-04 manual, National Uniform Billing Committee Summary, August 2009, Page 5: (a) Implantables: That which is implanted, such as a piece of tissue, a tooth, a pellet of medicine, or a tube or needle containing a radioactive substance, a graft, or an insert. Also included are liquid and solid plastic materials used to augment tissues or to fill in areas traumatically or surgically removed. An object or material partially or totally inserted or grafted into the body for prosthetic, therapeutic, diagnostic purposes. Examples of Other Implants (not all-inclusive): Stents, artificial joints, shunts, grafts, pins, plates, screws, anchors, radioactive seeds.

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