

GUIDEPOINT
Reimbursement Resources

2015 Coding & Payment Quick Reference

Select Transendoscopic Ultrasound-Guided Fine Needle Aspiration Procedures

Payer policies will vary and should be verified prior to treatment for limitations on diagnosis, coding or site of service requirements. The coding options listed within this guide are commonly used codes and are not intended to be an all-inclusive list. We recommend consulting your relevant manuals for appropriate coding options.

Rates referenced in this guide do not reflect Sequestration; automatic reductions in federal spending that will result in a 2% across-the-board reduction to ALL Medicare rates as of January 1, 2015.

Medicare Physician, Hospital Outpatient, and ASC Payments

2015 Medicare National Average Payment

CPT® Code¹	Code Description	RVUs			Physician²,²		Facility³	
		Work	Total Office	Total Facility	In-Office	In-Facility	Hospital Outpatient	ASC
Upper Gastrointestinal Procedures								
43232	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with transendoscopic ultrasound-guided intramural or transmural fine needle aspiration/biopsy(s)	3.69	13.76	6.05	\$492	\$216	\$1,064	\$584
43238	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with transendoscopic ultrasound-guided intramural or transmural fine needle aspiration/biopsy(s), (includes endoscopic ultrasound examination limited to the esophagus, stomach or duodenum, and adjacent structures)	4.26	7.14	7.14	\$255	\$255	\$1,064	\$584
43242	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with transendoscopic ultrasound-guided intramural or transmural fine needle aspiration/biopsy(s) (includes endoscopic ultrasound examination of the esophagus, stomach, and either the duodenum or a surgically altered stomach where the jejunum is examined distal to the anastomosis)	4.83	8.05	8.05	\$288	\$288	\$1,064	\$584
Lower Gastrointestinal Procedures								
45342	Sigmoidoscopy, flexible; with transendoscopic ultrasound guided intramural or transmural fine needle aspiration/biopsy(s)	4.05	6.77	6.77	\$242	\$242	\$827	\$454
45392	Colonoscopy, flexible; with transendoscopic ultrasound guided intramural or transmural fine needle aspiration/biopsy(s), includes endoscopic ultrasound examination limited to the rectum, sigmoid, descending, transverse, or ascending colon and cecum, and adjacent structures	6.54	10.73	10.73	\$384	\$384	\$790	\$433
44407	Colonoscopy through stoma; with transendoscopic ultrasound guided intramural or transmural fine needle aspiration/biopsy(s), includes endoscopic ultrasound examination limited to the sigmoid, descending, transverse, or ascending colon and cecum and adjacent structures	Facility Only for 2015 Reporting	Facility Only for 2015 Reporting	Facility Only for 2015 Reporting	Facility Only for 2015 Reporting	Facility Only for 2015 Reporting	\$790	\$433

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Medicare Hospital Inpatient Payment:

Inpatient payment information not shown because the transendoscopic ultrasound-guided fine needle aspiration procedure will rarely, if ever, be the primary reason for a hospital admission.

C-Code Information

For all C-Code information, please reference the C-Code Reference Guide: www.bostonscientific.com/reimbursement

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2 Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services. CMS Physician Fee Schedule - January 8, 2015 revised release, RVU15A file <http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/PhysicianFeeSched/PFS-Relative-Value-Files-Items/RVU15A.html?DLPage=1&DLSort=0&DLSortDir=descending>

3 Source: November 10, 2014 Federal Register CMS-1613-FC.

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