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Notification of changes to Bupa schedule of procedures

This bulletin aims to keep you up-to-date with any changes to procedure codes published in the Bupa Schedule of Procedures.

To ensure you are always viewing the latest version of the Schedule, please refer to the new online code search tool found at www.bupa.co.uk/codes.

The new changes in the Schedule effective this month are shown below.

To help you ensure that you are using the current version, the Schedule is live and up-to-date if viewed via www.bupa.co.uk/codes..

If you have any questions, please call Bupa Provider Services on **0345 755 33 33**. Lines are open 8am to 6pm, Monday to Friday and 8am to 1pm on Saturday. Calls may be recorded and may be monitored.

Thank you

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Notice of changes to the Schedule

1) Description changes

Code	Current Narrative	Approved Narrative	Effective from
W9030	Injection(s) +/- aspiration, into joint, cyst, bursa or soft tissue, with image guidance	Injection(s) +/- aspiration, into joint, cyst, bursa with image guidance	23/08/2018
W9031	Three or more injections, +/- aspiration, into joint(s), cyst, bursa or soft tissue, with image guidance	Three or more injections, +/- aspiration, into joint(s), cyst, bursa, with image guidance	
W9035	Injection(s) +/- aspiration, into two or more joints, cysts, bursae or soft tissue, with image guidance	Injection(s) +/- aspiration, into two or more joints, cysts, bursae with image guidance	
W9040	Injection(s) +/- aspiration, into joint, cyst, bursa or soft tissue	Injection(s) +/- aspiration, into joint, cyst, bursa	
W9045	Injection(s) +/- aspiration, into two or more joints, cysts, bursae or soft tissue.	Injection(s) +/- aspiration, into two or more joints, cysts, bursae	
H4685	Insertion of biodegradable perirectal spacer under image guidance	Insertion of biodegradable perirectal spacer under image guidance (as sole procedure)	
M3000	Endoscopic examination of ureter (+/- cystoscopy and insertion/removal of stent)	Endoscopic examination of ureter (+/- cystoscopy and insertion/removal of stent) +/- retrograde pyelography	
Q1800	Hysteroscopy (including biopsy, dilatation, curettage and resection of polyp(s) +/- Mirena coil insertion)	Hysteroscopy (including biopsy, dilatation, +/- cauterisation, curettage and resection of polyp(s) +/- Mirena coil insertion)	

2) Surgeon's category:

No changes this month.

3) Anaesthetist's category:

No changes this month.

4) Hospital category:

No changes this month.

5) Footnote changes:

6) Follow-up consultation fee charge allowed on same day as procedure charge:

No changes this month.

7) IV sedation or IV regional anaesthesia charge allowed alongside procedure charge:

No changes this month.

8) Ophthalmic local anaesthesia charge allowed alongside procedure charge:

No changes this month.

9) IC level 2 or 3 changes and LOS changes

No changes this month.

10) Essential notes to the Schedule

No changes this month.

11) Sub-chapter change (to align with CCSD Schedule):

No changes this month.

12) New codes:

code	Description	SCC	ACC	HCC	LOS	Footnote	Effective date
XR160	Percutaneous image guided fine needle aspiration (FNA)	MINOR 2	N/A	MINOR	OP	(ii) FU same day	01/06/17
W5820	Robotic assisted unicompartmental knee replacement	MAJOR+5	MAJOR+5	MAJOR+	2	N/A	21/07/2017
W9035	Injection(s) +/- aspiration, into two or more joints, cysts, bursae or soft tissue, with image guidance	£137	£102	MINOR	O/P	N/A	21/07/2017
W9045	Injection(s) +/- aspiration, into two or more joints, cysts, bursae or soft tissue	MINOR 3	MINOR 5	MINOR	O/P	(ii) FU same day	21/07/2017
H5120	Radiofrequency ablation of haemorrhiods	MINOR 5	INTER 3	INTER	DC	N/A	
BT253	Low energy contact Xray brachytherapy (the Papillon technique) for early stage rectal cancer	MINOR 5	N/A	MINOR	DC	N/A	

13) Error Corrections

No changes this month.

14) Code inactivations (as per CCSD Schedule changes):

No changes this month

15) CCSD coding principles ('unbundling') additions

Please refer to the CCSD website at: www.ccsd.org.uk for a full list of the Coding Principles.

Code	Narrative	Code	Narrative	Effective from
C5130	Ultraviolet irradiation of riboflavin for cross linking of corneal collagen	C4690	Implantation of Synthetic corneal rings for keratoconus (including INTACS)	23/08/2017
E1432	FESS: excision uncinate process and anterior ethmoid bulla, antrostomy/antral puncture, simple polypectomy and attention to turbinates (bilateral)	E0380	Nasal septum cauterisation (and bilateral)	

16) CCSD coding principles ('unbundling') removals:

No changes this month