

Introduction

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CMS Ambulatory Surgical Centers Website

- Ambulatory Surgical Center Rates
- Ambulatory Surgical Center Quarterly Provider Updates
- Ambulatory Surgery Centers List of Covered Procedures

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Website

- <http://www.cms.gov/Center/Provider-Type/Ambulatory-Surgical-Centers-ASC-Center.html>
- <http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/ASCPayment/index.html>

Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC)

Definition of ASC

- CMS Manual System, Pub 104-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 14, Sections 10-10.1 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/clm104c14.pdf>
- CMS Manual System, Pub 102-2, Medicare Benefit Policy Manual, Chapter 15, Sections 260-260.1 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/bp102c15.pdf>

Ambulatory Surgical Center Services

Ambulatory Surgical Center Facility Services

- CMS Manual System, Pub 104-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 14, Sections 10.2-10.4 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/clm104c14.pdf>
- CMS Manual System, Pub 102-2, Medicare Benefit Policy Manual, Chapter 15, Sections 260.2-260.4 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/bp102c15.pdf>

List of Covered Ambulatory Surgical Center Surgical Procedures

- CMS Manual System, Pub 104-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 14, Sections 20 -20.3 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/clm104c14.pdf>
- CMS Manual System, Pub 102-2, Medicare Benefit Policy Manual, Chapter 15, Sections 260.5-260.5.3 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/bp102c15.pdf>
- CMS List of Covered ASC Procedures <http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/ASCPayment/index.html>

Rebundling of CPT Codes

- CMS Manual System, Pub 104-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 14, Sections 20.3 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/clm104c14.pdf>
- CMS Manual System, Pub 102-2, Medicare Benefit Policy Manual, Chapter 15, Sections 260.5.3 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/bp102c15.pdf>



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Correct Coding Initiatives Edits

- Overview <http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/NationalCorrectCodInitEd/index.html>
- CCI Edits <http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/NationalCorrectCodInitEd/index.html>

Ambulatory Surgical Center Reimbursement

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 14, Sections 30-40.2 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/clm104c14.pdf>

Claim Submission and Reimbursement Guidelines

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 14, Sections 40.3-40.9 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/clm104c14.pdf>

- Intraocular Lens
- Terminated Procedures
- Multiple Procedures
- Pass-Through Devices Beginning January 1, 2008
- Extracorporeal Wave Shock Wave Lithotripsy
- Device Furnished With No Cost or With Full or Partial Credit Beginning January 1, 2008
- Presbyopia Correcting IOLs (P-C IOLs) and Astigmatism Correcting IOLs (A-C IOLs)

ASC Procedures for Completing the Form CMS – 1500

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 14, Sections 50 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/clm104c14.pdf>

Colorectal Cancer Screening

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 18, Sections 60-60.2.2 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/clm104c18.pdf>

Special Services

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 32, Sections 50.5 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/clm104c32.pdf>

Presbyopia-correction Function of an Intraocular Lens

- <http://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Medicare-Learning-Network-MLN/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/MM4184.pdf>
- CMS Manual System, Pub 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 32, Sections 120-120.4 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/clm104c32.pdf>

Physicians' Services in Ambulatory Surgical Centers

CMS Manual System, Pub 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 12, Sections 90.3 <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/clm104c12.pdf>