

Article - Billing and Coding: Micro-Invasive Glaucoma Surgery (MIGS) (A56633)

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Social Security Act (Title XVIII) Standard References:

- Title XVIII of the Social Security Act, Section 1833(e) states that no payment shall be made to any provider of

services or other person under this part unless there has been furnished such information as may be necessary in order to determine the amounts due such provider or other person under this part for the period with respect to which the amounts are being paid or for any prior period.

Article Guidance

Article Text

This Billing and Coding Article provides billing and coding guidance for Local Coverage Determination (LCD) L38223, Micro-Invasive Glaucoma Surgery (MIGS). 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.

Utilization Parameters

Medicare may cover only **1 unit per eye, per date of service of CPT code 66989 or 66991** for insertion of glaucoma drainage device(s) into the trabecular meshwork (e.g., iStent[®], or iStent *inject*[®]), performed in conjunction with cataract surgery and when the medically reasonable and necessary criteria as stated in the LCD are met. Although more than one drainage device into the trabecular meshwork of a single eye on a single day of service, may be performed using an insertion tool loaded with more than one device, (e.g., iStent *inject*[®]), once the insertion tool is deployed within the eye, the work and clinical skill required to place additional device(s) is equivalent to placement of other U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) cleared devices described by the same codes. Therefore, only one unit of 66989 or 66991 per eye per day may be billed, regardless of the number of devices inserted into a single eye on the same date of service.

Medicare may cover only **1 unit per eye, per date of service of CPT code 0449T** for insertion of glaucoma drainage device(s) into the subconjunctival space (e.g., XEN45[®]), when the medically reasonable and necessary criteria as stated in the LCD are met.

Note: CPT Code 0450T for additional device insertion is not covered.

Note: CPT code 0671T does not need to be reported with any of the following codes: 66982, 66983, 66984, 66987, and 66988.

Documentation Requirements

1. All documentation must be maintained in the patient's medical record and must support the medical necessity of the services as directed in this article and be 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

CPT/HCPCS Codes

Group 1 Paragraph:

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

The following CPT codes associated with the services outlined in this article **will not have diagnosis limitations** applied at this time: **65820, 65850, 66170, and 66172.**

Group 1 Codes: (3 Codes)

CODE	DESCRIPTION
66989	Xcpsl ctrc rmvl cplx insj 1+
66991	Xcapsl ctrc rmvl insj 1+
0671T	Insj ant sgm aq drg dev 1+

Group 2 Paragraph:

N/A

Group 2 Codes: (1 Code)

CODE	DESCRIPTION
0449T	Insj aqueous drain dev 1st

Group 3 Paragraph:

The following CPT codes are considered not medically reasonable and necessary (non-covered).

Group 3 Codes: (3 Codes)

CODE	DESCRIPTION
0253T	Insert aqueous drain device
0450T	Insj aqueous drain dev each
0474T	Insj aqueous drg dev io rsrv

CPT/HCPCS Modifiers

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.

The following ICD-10-CM codes support medical necessity and provide coverage for **CPT codes: 66989, 66991**

and 0671T.

Group 1 Codes: (9 Codes)

CODE	DESCRIPTION
H40.1111	Primary open-angle glaucoma, right eye, mild stage
H40.1112	Primary open-angle glaucoma, right eye, moderate stage
H40.1113	Primary open-angle glaucoma, right eye, severe stage
H40.1121	Primary open-angle glaucoma, left eye, mild stage
H40.1122	Primary open-angle glaucoma, left eye, moderate stage
H40.1123	Primary open-angle glaucoma, left eye, severe stage
H40.1131	Primary open-angle glaucoma, bilateral, mild stage
H40.1132	Primary open-angle glaucoma, bilateral, moderate stage
H40.1133	Primary open-angle glaucoma, bilateral, severe stage

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 code: 0449T (XEN)**.

Group 2 Codes: (48 Codes)

CODE	DESCRIPTION
H40.1111	Primary open-angle glaucoma, right eye, mild stage
H40.1112	Primary open-angle glaucoma, right eye, moderate stage
H40.1113	Primary open-angle glaucoma, right eye, severe stage
H40.1114	Primary open-angle glaucoma, right eye, indeterminate stage
H40.1121	Primary open-angle glaucoma, left eye, mild stage
H40.1122	Primary open-angle glaucoma, left eye, moderate stage
H40.1123	Primary open-angle glaucoma, left eye, severe stage
H40.1124	Primary open-angle glaucoma, left eye, indeterminate stage
H40.1131	Primary open-angle glaucoma, bilateral, mild stage
H40.1132	Primary open-angle glaucoma, bilateral, moderate stage
H40.1133	Primary open-angle glaucoma, bilateral, severe stage
H40.1134	Primary open-angle glaucoma, bilateral, indeterminate stage
H40.1211	Low-tension glaucoma, right eye, mild stage

CODE	DESCRIPTION
H40.1212	Low-tension glaucoma, right eye, moderate stage
H40.1213	Low-tension glaucoma, right eye, severe stage
H40.1214	Low-tension glaucoma, right eye, indeterminate stage
H40.1221	Low-tension glaucoma, left eye, mild stage
H40.1222	Low-tension glaucoma, left eye, moderate stage
H40.1223	Low-tension glaucoma, left eye, severe stage
H40.1224	Low-tension glaucoma, left eye, indeterminate stage
H40.1231	Low-tension glaucoma, bilateral, mild stage
H40.1232	Low-tension glaucoma, bilateral, moderate stage
H40.1233	Low-tension glaucoma, bilateral, severe stage
H40.1234	Low-tension glaucoma, bilateral, indeterminate stage
H40.1311	Pigmentary glaucoma, right eye, mild stage
H40.1312	Pigmentary glaucoma, right eye, moderate stage
H40.1313	Pigmentary glaucoma, right eye, severe stage
H40.1314	Pigmentary glaucoma, right eye, indeterminate stage
H40.1321	Pigmentary glaucoma, left eye, mild stage
H40.1322	Pigmentary glaucoma, left eye, moderate stage
H40.1323	Pigmentary glaucoma, left eye, severe stage
H40.1324	Pigmentary glaucoma, left eye, indeterminate stage
H40.1331	Pigmentary glaucoma, bilateral, mild stage
H40.1332	Pigmentary glaucoma, bilateral, moderate stage
H40.1333	Pigmentary glaucoma, bilateral, severe stage
H40.1334	Pigmentary glaucoma, bilateral, indeterminate stage
H40.1411	Capsular glaucoma with pseudoexfoliation of lens, right eye, mild stage
H40.1412	Capsular glaucoma with pseudoexfoliation of lens, right eye, moderate stage
H40.1413	Capsular glaucoma with pseudoexfoliation of lens, right eye, severe stage
H40.1414	Capsular glaucoma with pseudoexfoliation of lens, right eye, indeterminate stage
H40.1421	Capsular glaucoma with pseudoexfoliation of lens, left eye, mild stage
H40.1422	Capsular glaucoma with pseudoexfoliation of lens, left eye, moderate stage
H40.1423	Capsular glaucoma with pseudoexfoliation of lens, left eye, severe stage
H40.1424	Capsular glaucoma with pseudoexfoliation of lens, left eye, indeterminate stage
H40.1431	Capsular glaucoma with pseudoexfoliation of lens, bilateral, mild stage

CODE	DESCRIPTION
H40.1432	Capsular glaucoma with pseudoexfoliation of lens, bilateral, moderate stage
H40.1433	Capsular glaucoma with pseudoexfoliation of lens, bilateral, severe stage
H40.1434	Capsular glaucoma with pseudoexfoliation of lens, bilateral, indeterminate stage

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

Group 1 Paragraph:

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

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

N/A

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Articles

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[A57735 - Response to Comments: Micro-Invasive Glaucoma Surgery \(MIGS\)](#)

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[DL38223 - \(MCD Archive Site\)](#)

[L35091 - Cataract Extraction \(including Complex Cataract Surgery\)](#)

[L38223 - Micro-Invasive Glaucoma Surgery \(MIGS\)](#)

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Statutory Requirements URLs

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