UPDATES IN RETINAL CODING
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• No relevant disclosures

Overview

• Who Cares?
• Surgical Coding Goals
• Basic Coding Categories
• Surgical Modifiers
• Cases
• Take Aways
Who Cares?

Surgical Codes

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Who Cares?

Reimbursement Changes in Retina

How Medicare Reimbursement Cuts Are Reshaping Ophthalmology

Lori Harrigan
Disclosures: December 23, 2015
Who Cares?

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Coding Goals

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Coding Goals

• Convert the physical work a surgeon has done into codes reflecting the services provided

• Getting paid for the work you’ve done - no more, no less

• Avoid - Inaccurate Coding

• Avoid - Undercoding for services actually provided
Basic Coding Categories

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Coding

- All Dollars Reflect 2017 CMS Data
- Houston, TX Locality
- Compared against the most current CCI edits for mutual exclusivity

Coding

- Office Based Diagnostics
- Office Based Surgery
- Surgical Codes
  - Vitrectomy Codes
  - RD Codes
  - Lens Codes
  - Trauma Codes
Office Based Diagnostics

- 99235 and 99240 cannot be billed together - replaced by 92242
- Loss of laterality for 92235 and 92240

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Imaging/Injections

- Current CCI Edits for Imaging:
  - 92134 OCT and 92250 Photos are mutually exclusive
  - 92240 ICG and 92250 Photos are mutually exclusive
  - 92242 ICG/FA is mutually exclusive with 92235, 92240 & 92250 but NOT 92134
  - 92235 FA and 92250 Photos are NOT mutually exclusive

Office Based Surgery

- RDs have new 10-day global
- RTs continue 90-day global
- Lasers have remained stable
- Pneumatic Retinopexy Increased

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Vitrectomy Codes

- 67036 - Vitrectomy $927.67
- 67039 - Vitrectomy with Endolaser Focal $994.15
- 67040 - Vitrectomy with Endolaser PRP $1,074.85
- 67041 - Vitrectomy with Membrane Peeling $1,186.45
- 67042 - Vitrectomy with ILM Peeling $1,187.54
- 67043 - Vitrectomy with Removal of subretinal membrane $1,254.85

Retinal Detachment Codes

- 67107 - Repair of RD with Scleral Buckle $1,166.81
- 67108 - Repair of RD with Vitrectomy +/- Scleral Buckle $1,257.53
- 67110 - Repair of RD with injection of gas (Pneumatic Retinopexy) $961.15
- 67113 - Repair of Complex RD with membrane peeling (eg PVR stage C, Diabetic TRD, Retinopathy of Prematurity, Giant Retinal Tear) $1,303.79
- 67121 - Removal of implanted intraocular material (Silicone Oil Removal) $955.30
Retinal Detachment Chart

Lens/IOL Codes

- 67036 - Vitrectomy $927.67
- 66850 - Removal of Lens Material via Phaco/Frag $816.12
- 66825 - IOL Repositioning $781.34
- 66983 - IOL Insertion $792.47
- 66986 - IOL Exchange $935.66

Lens/IOL Chart
Trauma Codes

- 67036 - Vitrectomy $927.67
- 65280 Ruptured Globe Repair w/o Uvea $691.57
- 65285 Ruptured Globe Repair w/ Uvea $1,141.69
- 65233 Anterior Segment IOFB $730.26
- 65260 Posterior IOFB magnetic $988.60
- 65265 Posterior IOFB non-magnetic $1,112.86

Trauma Chart

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Surgical Modifier Codes

-58 Staged or Related Procedure During the Postoperative Period
  - Lesser to Greater
  - Pre-planned or staged
  - Treatment post diagnostic procedure

-59 Distinct Procedural Services - attempts to unbundle Correct Coding Initiative (CCI) edits

-78 Unplanned return to the OR/procedure for a Related Procedure during Postoperative Period

-79 Return to the OR/Procedure for an Unrelated Procedure during Postoperative Period

Cases

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Coding Carefully

What Would You Do?

- 76 yo M with a retinal detachment treated in the office with cryo and gas bubble

- How would you code?
  - 67110
  - 67101

- Costs:
  - $777.53 2016
  - $801.11 2017
  - $901.15 2016
  - $336.86

What Would You Do?

- 52 yo F suspected to have wAMD vs CSR and undergoes OCT, Fundus Photos, IVFA, and ICG - how would you code imaging

- ICG/IVFA 92242
  - New code what are the CCI bundles
  - Mutually exclusive with 92235 (IVFA), 92240 (ICG) & 92250 (Fundus)
  - But can bill 92134 (OCT)

- Correct: 92242 and 92134
- Incorrect: 92242, 92250, 92134

- Cost: $164.59
What Would You Do?

• 74 yo female underwent CE/IOL but had a dropped nuclear fragment
  • Surgeon does a vitrectomy and removes the retained lens fragment using the vitrector
    • 66852 vs 67036 $58.47
  • Removes lens fragment with phaco/fragmatome
    • 67036 + 66850 $408.06

What Would You Do?

• 65 yo M with new flashes and floater x 1 week. Has retinal tear with 3 disc areas of subretinal fluid surrounding
  • Surgeon does a laser treatment
    • How would you code this?
      • 67105 (RD) $236.42
      • 67145 (RT)
  • 1 week later pt seen and fluid has spread, now perform laser to RD
    • Pneumatic/OR $384.95

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Takeaways

Most Codes

No code exists

Thank you!