

Easy Steps to Efficient Medical Billing

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Errata

Page(s)	Correction
N/A	Effective April 1, 2026, pre-operative and post-operative care and visits have been unbundled from the surgical benefit (fee) to more closely reflect the actual visits performed and remunerate physicians appropriately. Care and visit services provided on the day of surgery remain bundled and are not eligible for payment except where specific terms and conditions have been met.
133 Note 3	Replace paragraph with “These are procedures we generally think of as surgery performed in hospitals under general anaesthetic. In general, no consultation or assessment may be billed the same day as surgery except when the surgeon has not seen the patient previously or because of the condition of the patient. In such case, a review of the situation is required to ensure the correct codes are billed and supporting documentation should accompany the submission.”
137 Paragraph 2	Delete the final sentence. “The fee billed for the surgical procedure(s) includes the subsequent visits two days prior to surgery and the operative procedure(s) itself.”
137 Paragraph 4	Replace paragraph with “The surgeon can bill for any visits post surgery (keeping in mind the limits of three per week after the fifth week and six per month after the 13th week), payable at the specialty-specific subsequent visit fee, and, if the most responsible physician (MRP), the discharge code C124A (provided the patient was in hospital for more than 48 hours), as well as any followup visits in the office following the surgery. The surgeon may bill for an admission assessment depending on his/her examination of the patient. See Schedule of Benefits page SP4, #13, 13a and 13b.”
137 Paragraph 5	Delete “...except for the two postoperative visits and the discharge.”
137 Paragraph 6	Change the cost of an appendectomy to 524.60.

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