

Ambulatory Surgery Center Payment System, Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System and Physician Fee Schedule

Medicare has made some significant changes to its Ambulatory Surgery Center payment system (ASC) [Table 1], Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS) [Table 2], and Physician Fee Schedule (PFS) for 2016. In the charts below, we have identified some of the most significant changes. We have chosen to focus on changes greater than or equal to \$100 for ASC and OPPS from 2015 to 2016. There were no changes to the PFS that met this criterion. If you have questions about specific information in this document, or perhaps something you do not see in this document, please do not hesitate to contact our reimbursement team at 800.468.1379 or reimbursement@cookmedical.com.

Table 1: Changes in Ambulatory Surgery Center Reimbursement for Procedures of Interest				
CPT Code	Procedural Description	2016 Ambulatory Surgery Center Fee Schedule	2015 Ambulatory Surgery Center Fee Schedule	Payment Difference
10180	Incision and drainage, complex, postoperative wound infection	\$790.85	\$896.33	(\$105.48)
46707	Repair of anorectal fistula with plug (eg, porcine small intestine submucosa [SIS])	\$1,301.02	\$1,425.27	(\$124.25)
49652	Laparoscopy, surgical, repair, ventral, umbilical, spigelian or epigastric hernia (includes mesh insertion, when performed); reducible	\$2,010.99	\$3,002.32	(\$991.33)
49653	Laparoscopy, surgical, repair, ventral, umbilical, spigelian or epigastric hernia (includes mesh insertion, when performed); incarcerated or strangulated	\$2,010.99	\$3,002.32	(\$991.33)
49654	Laparoscopy, surgical, repair, incisional hernia (includes mesh insertion, when performed); reducible	\$3,277.62	\$3,002.32	\$275.30
49655	Laparoscopy, surgical, repair, incisional hernia (includes mesh insertion, when performed); incarcerated or strangulated	\$3,277.62	\$3,002.32	\$275.30
49656	Laparoscopy, surgical, repair, recurrent incisional hernia (includes mesh insertion, when performed); reducible	\$3,277.62	\$3,002.32	\$275.30
49657	Laparoscopy, surgical, repair, recurrent incisional hernia (includes mesh insertion, when performed); incarcerated or strangulated	\$3,277.62	\$3,002.32	\$275.30

NOTE: This is not an all-inclusive list of procedural code changes.

Table 2: Changes in Hospital Outpatient Reimbursement for Procedures of Interest				
CPT Code	Procedural Description	2016 Hospital Outpatient Payment	2015 Hospital Outpatient Payment	Payment Difference
10180	Incision and drainage, complex, postoperative wound infection	\$1,414.28	\$1,635.77	(\$221.49)
15734	Muscle, myocutaneous, or fasciocutaneous flap; trunk	\$2,137.49	\$2,301.54	(\$164.05)
46707	Repair of anorectal fistula with plug (eg, porcine small intestine submucosa [SIS])	\$2,326.64	\$2,601.06	(\$274.42)
49652	Laparoscopy, surgical, repair, ventral, umbilical, spigelian or epigastric hernia (includes mesh insertion, when performed); reducible	\$4,001.15	\$5,479.13	(\$1,477.98)
49653	Laparoscopy, surgical, repair, ventral, umbilical, spigelian or epigastric hernia (includes mesh insertion, when performed); incarcerated or strangulated	\$4,001.15	\$5,479.13	(\$1,477.98)
49654	Laparoscopy, surgical, repair, incisional hernia (includes mesh insertion, when performed); reducible	\$6,860.91	\$5,479.13	\$1,381.78
49655	Laparoscopy, surgical, repair, incisional hernia (includes mesh insertion, when performed); incarcerated or strangulated	\$6,860.91	\$5,479.13	\$1,381.78
49656	Laparoscopy, surgical, repair, recurrent incisional hernia (includes mesh insertion, when performed); reducible	\$6,860.91	\$5,479.13	\$1,381.78
49657	Laparoscopy, surgical, repair, recurrent incisional hernia (includes mesh insertion, when performed); incarcerated or strangulated	\$6,860.91	\$5,479.13	\$1,381.78
49659	Unlisted laparoscopy procedure, hernioplasty, herniorrhaphy, herniotomy	\$4,001.15	\$3,016.93	\$984.22

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