

# Percutaneous Placement, Repositioning, or Retrieval of Inferior Vena Cava (IVC) Filters

## 2020 CODING AND REIMBURSEMENT GUIDE

Coverage, coding, and payment for medical procedures and devices can be confusing. This guide was developed to assist with Medicare reporting and reimbursement when placing, repositioning or retrieving inferior vena cava (IVC) filters. If you have any questions, please contact our reimbursement team at 800.468.1379 or by e-mail at [Reimbursement@cookmedical.com](mailto:Reimbursement@cookmedical.com).

### Coverage

Medicare carriers may issue local coverage decisions (LCDs) listing criteria that must be met prior to coverage. Physicians are urged to review these policies (<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/mcd/search.asp?>) and encouraged to contact their local carrier medical directors ([www.cms.hhs.gov/apps/contacts](http://www.cms.hhs.gov/apps/contacts)) or commercial insurers to determine if a procedure is covered.

### Coding

#### Placement

37191

Insertion of intravascular vena cava filter, endovascular approach including vascular access, vessel selection, and radiological supervision and interpretation, intraprocedural roadmapping, and imaging guidance (ultrasound and fluoroscopy), when performed

#### Repositioning

37192

Repositioning of intravascular vena cava filter, endovascular approach including vascular access, vessel selection, and radiological supervision and interpretation, intraprocedural roadmapping, and imaging guidance (ultrasound and fluoroscopy), when performed

(Do not report 37192 in conjunction with 37191)

#### Retrieval

3193

Retrieval (removal) of intravascular vena cava filter, endovascular approach including vascular access, vessel selection, and radiological supervision and interpretation, intraprocedural roadmapping, and imaging guidance (ultrasound and fluoroscopy), when performed

(Do not report 37193 in conjunction with 37197)

In the event filter repositioning or retrieval is abandoned because the initial venography reveals a thrombus in the filter, we suggest you contact your carrier(s) to determine appropriate codes.

**Medicare requires hospitals to report, if applicable, device(s) used in the hospital outpatient setting by using Level II HCCS codes, or "C-codes." When reporting use of a Cook percutaneous IVC filter in a hospital outpatient setting, we recommend the following C-code:**

C1880

Vena cava filter

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#### 2020 Medicare Reimbursement for IVC Filter Placement, Repositioning, or Retrieval

CPT Code	Procedure Description	Ambulatory Surgery Center	Outpatient Hospital		Physician Services	
		Facility Payment (National Medicare Avg) <sup>1</sup>	APC	Facility Payment (National Medicare Avg) <sup>2</sup>	Fee When Procedure Is Performed in Hospital or ASC (National Medicare Avg) <sup>3</sup>	Fee When Procedure Is Performed in Office (National Medicare Avg) <sup>3</sup>
<b>Placement</b>						
37191	Insertion of intravascular vena cava filter, endovascular approach including vascular access, vessel selection, and radiological supervision and interpretation, intraprocedural roadmapping, and imaging guidance (ultrasound and fluoroscopy), when performed	This service is not included on Medicare's list of approved procedures	5184	\$4,596.19	\$233.86	\$2,455.92
<b>Repositioning</b>						
37192	Repositioning of intravascular vena cava filter, endovascular approach including vascular access, vessel selection, and radiological supervision and interpretation, intraprocedural roadmapping, and imaging guidance (ultrasound and fluoroscopy), when performed	This service is not included on Medicare's list of approved procedures	5183	\$2,771.28	\$361.62	\$1,381.89
<b>Retrieval</b>						
37193	Retrieval (removal) of intravascular vena cava filter, endovascular approach including vascular access, vessel selection, and radiological supervision and interpretation, intraprocedural roadmapping, and imaging guidance (ultrasound and fluoroscopy), when performed	This service is not included on Medicare's list of approved procedures	5183	\$2,771.28	\$365.59	\$1,627.30

<sup>1</sup> 2020 Medicare Ambulatory Surgery Center Fee Schedule

<sup>2</sup> 2020 Medicare Outpatient Hospital Fee Schedule

<sup>3</sup> 2020 Medicare Physician Services Fee Schedule

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2020 Physician fees for your local area can be found at the following CMS links:

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/PFSlookup/>

or

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/PhysicianFeeSched/index.html>



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