

Zilver[®] Vena[™] Venous Stent

2021 CODING AND REIMBURSEMENT GUIDE

Coverage, coding and reimbursement for medical procedures and devices can be confusing. This guide was developed to assist you in correctly reporting and obtaining appropriate Medicare reimbursement for venous stent placement and adjunct procedures. If you have any questions, please contact our reimbursement team at 800.468.1379 or by e-mail at Reimbursement@cookmedical.com.

Coverage

Medicare carriers issue local coverage decisions (LCDs) listing coverage criteria for certain procedures. Physicians are urged to review their local carrier coverage policies (<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/mcd/search.asp?>) and/or contact their local carrier medical directors (<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/apps/contacts/>) or commercial insurers to determine if a procedure is covered.

Coding

Venous Stenting

37238	Transcatheter placement of an intravascular stent(s), open or percutaneous, including radiological supervision and interpretation and including angioplasty within the same vessel, when performed; initial vein
+37239	Transcatheter placement of an intravascular stent(s), open or percutaneous, including radiological supervision and interpretation and including angioplasty within the same vessel, when performed; each additional vein (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)

For placement of a stent(s) within the peripheral segment of the dialysis circuit, see 36903, 36906

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+37252	Intravascular ultrasound (noncoronary vessel) during diagnostic evaluation and/or therapeutic intervention, including radiological supervision and interpretation; initial noncoronary vessel (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)
+37253	Intravascular ultrasound (noncoronary vessel) during diagnostic evaluation and/or therapeutic intervention, including radiological supervision and interpretation; each additional noncoronary vessel (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)

Venous Mechanical Thrombectomy

37187	Percutaneous transluminal mechanical thrombectomy, vein(s), including intraprocedural pharmacological thrombolytic injections and fluoroscopic guidance (Do not report 37187 in conjunction with 76000, 96375)
37188	Percutaneous transluminal mechanical thrombectomy, vein(s), including intraprocedural pharmacological thrombolytic injections and fluoroscopic guidance, repeat treatment on subsequent day during course of thrombolytic therapy (Do not report 37188 in conjunction with 76000, 96375)

Helpful Venous Mechanical Thrombectomy Coding Tips

- Use code 37187 to report the initial application of venous mechanical thrombectomy.¹
- To report bilateral venous mechanical thrombectomy performed through a separate access site(s), use modifier -50 in conjunction with 37187.¹
- For repeat treatment on a subsequent day during a course of thrombolytic therapy, use 37188.¹



1. American Medical Association. Transcatheter Procedures. In: CPT 2021 Professional Edition. Chicago, IL: American Medical Association; 2020:312.

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Payment

2021 Medicare Reimbursement for Venous Stenting and Adjunct Procedures

CPT® Code	Procedure Description	<i>Ambulatory Surgery Center</i>	<i>Outpatient Hospital</i>		<i>Physician Services</i>	
		Facility Payment <small>(National Medicare Avg²)</small>	APC	Facility Payment <small>(National Medicare Avg³)</small>	Fee When Service Is Performed in the Hospital or ASC <small>(National Medicare Avg⁴)</small>	Fee When Service Is Performed in the Office <small>(National Medicare Avg⁴)</small>
37238	Transcatheter placement of an intravascular stent(s), open or percutaneous, including radiological supervision and interpretation and including angioplasty within the same vessel, when performed; initial vein	\$6,267.35	5193	\$10,042.94	\$291.69	\$3,814.98
+37239	Transcatheter placement of an intravascular stent(s), open or percutaneous, including radiological supervision and interpretation and including angioplasty within the same vessel, when performed; each additional vein (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)	Packaged service/item No separate payment		Items and services packaged into APC rate	\$143.58	\$1,912.84
+37252	Intravascular ultrasound (noncoronary vessel) during diagnostic evaluation and/or therapeutic intervention, including radiological supervision and interpretation; initial noncoronary vessel (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)	Packaged service/item No separate payment		Items and services packaged into APC rate	\$85.24	\$1,103.24
+37253	Intravascular ultrasound (noncoronary vessel) during diagnostic evaluation and/or therapeutic intervention, including radiological supervision and interpretation; each additional noncoronary vessel (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)	Packaged service/item No separate payment		Items and services packaged into APC rate	\$67.41	\$177.93

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		Facility Payment (National Medicare Avg ²)		Facility Payment (National Medicare Avg ³)	Fee When Service Is Performed in the Hospital or ASC (National Medicare Avg ⁴)	Fee When Service Is Performed in the Office (National Medicare Avg ⁴)
37187	Percutaneous transluminal mechanical thrombectomy, vein(s), including intraprocedural pharmacological thrombolytic injections and fluoroscopic guidance	\$6,552.99	5193	\$10,042.94	\$370.45	\$1,877.19
37188	Percutaneous transluminal mechanical thrombectomy, vein(s), including intraprocedural pharmacological thrombolytic injections and fluoroscopic guidance, repeat treatment on subsequent day during course of thrombolytic therapy	\$1,372.10	5183	\$2,861.66	\$261.87	\$1,609.16

2. 2021 Medicare Ambulatory Surgery Center Fee Schedule
3. 2021 Medicare Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS) Fee Schedule
4. 2021 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule

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2021 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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