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CPT Coding Summary



Punch, ENFD Biopsy

Global Period: 0 days

CPT 11104 Punch biopsy of skin (including simple closure when performed), single lesion

If multiple punches are performed: Use CPT 11104 for first punch and also use CPT 11105 for each additional punch. Do not use 59, 51, or X modifier on CPT 11105 because it is an “add-on” code.

Shave Biopsy

Global Period: 0 days

CPT 11102 Tangential biopsy of skin (e.g. shave, scoop, saucerize, curette, single lesion)

If multiple tangential biopsies performed: Use CPT 11102 for first and also use CPT 11103 for each additional. Do not use 59, 51, or X modifier on CPT 11103 because it is an “add-on” code.

Incisional Biopsy

Global Period: 0 days

Codes may apply when a small part of a larger skin lesion is sampled for histopathology.

CPT 11106 Incisional biopsy of skin (e.g. wedge), (including simple closure when performed), single lesion

If multiple incisional biopsies are performed: Use CPT 11106 for the first and also use CPT 11107 for each additional. Do not use 59, 51, or X modifier on CPT 11106 because it is an “add-on” code.

Fine Needle Aspiration Biopsy

Global Period: 0 days

Codes may apply when sampling from a deep seated subcutaneous mass for diagnosis (lipoma, ganglion cyst, soft tissue neoplasm) by fine needle aspiration.

CPT 10021 Fine needle aspiration; **without** imaging guidance; first lesion

If multiple fine needle aspirations without imaging guidance are performed: Use CPT 10021 for the first and also use CPT 10004 for each additional. Do not use 59, 51, or X modifier on CPT 10004 because it is an “add-on” code

CPT 10005 Fine needle aspiration biopsy, including ultrasound guidance; first lesion

If multiple fine needle aspirations with ultrasound guidance are performed: Use CPT 10005 for the first and also use CPT 10006 for each additional. Do not use 59, 51, or X modifier on CPT 10006 because it is an “add-on” code.

Nail Unit Biopsy

Global Period: 0 days

Code may apply for inflammatory or neoplastic lesions of the nail unit (plate and bed/matrix). This code connotes more than simple “distal clipping of nail” and should not be used for routine nail debridement.

CPT 11755 Biopsy of nail unit (e.g. plate, bed, matrix, hyponychium, proximal and lateral nail folds)

Bone Biopsy, Trocar or Needle

Global Period: 0 days

Code may apply when superficial bone tissue is sampled.

CPT 20220 Biopsy, bone, **trocar, or needle**; superficial

Bone Biopsy, Open

Global Period: 10 days

Code may apply when superficial bone tissue is sampled.

CPT 20240 Biopsy, bone, open; superficial

Skin Excision Codes

Global Period: 10 days

CPT 1140X Excision, **benign** lesion including margins, except skin tag (unless listed elsewhere), legs

CPT 1142X Excision, **benign** lesion including margins, except skin tag (unless listed elsewhere), feet

Lesion Site/ Excised Diameter	0.1 - 0.5 cm	0.6 - 1.0 cm	1.1 - 2.0 cm	2.0 - 3.0 cm	3.1 - 4.0 cm	> 4.0 cm
LEG	CPT 11400	CPT 11401	CPT 11402	CPT 11403	CPT 11404	CPT 11406
FOOT	CPT 11420	CPT 11421	CPT 11422	CPT 11423	CPT 11424	CPT 11425

CPT 1160X Excision, **malignant** lesion including margins, except skin tag (unless listed elsewhere), legs

CPT 1162X Excision, **malignant** lesion including margins, except skin tag (unless listed elsewhere), feet

Lesion Site/ Excised Diameter	0.1 - 0.5 cm	0.6 - 1.0 cm	1.1 - 2.0 cm	2.0 - 3.0 cm	3.1 - 4.0 cm	> 4.0 cm
LEG	CPT 11600	CPT 11601	CPT 11602	CPT 11603	CPT 11604	CPT 11606
FOOT	CPT 11620	CPT 11621	CPT 11622	CPT 11623	CPT 11624	CPT 11625

Skin Excision via Shaving Codes

Global Period: 0 days

CPT 1130X Shaving of epidermal or dermal lesion, single lesion

Lesion Site/ Excised Diameter	0.1 - 0.5 cm	0.6 - 1.0 cm	1.1 - 2.0 cm	> 2.0 cm
LEG	CPT 11300	CPT 11301	CPT 11302	CPT 11303
FOOT	CPT 11305	CPT 11306	CPT 11307	CPT 11308

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