



Irish Life
health

**Schedule
of Benefits**
for Professional
Fees 2020

**General
Practitioner**

ABSCESS

CODE	DESCRIPTION	PRE-APPROVAL REQUIRED	PAYMENT INDICATORS	PAYMENT RULES
9	Abscess, incision and drainage of	No		
14	Abscess, cyst or tumour, aspiration of (I.P.)	No	Independent Procedure	
21	Skin abscess, (superficial) incision and drainage of (I.P.)	No	Independent Procedure	

ARTHOCENTESIS

CODE	DESCRIPTION	PRE-APPROVAL REQUIRED	PAYMENT INDICATORS	PAYMENT RULES
62	Arthrocentesis, aspiration and/ or injection; small joint, bursa or ganglion cyst (e.g. fingers, toes) (I.P.)	No	Independent Procedure	
63	Arthrocentesis, aspiration and/ or injection; intermediate joint, bursa or ganglion cyst (e.g. temporomandibular acromioclavicular, wrist, elbow or ankle, olecranon bursa) (I.P.)	No	Independent Procedure	
64	Arthrocentesis, aspiration and/ or injection; major joint or bursa (e.g. shoulder, hip, knee joint, sub-acromial bursa) (I.P.)	No	Independent Procedure	

CRYOSURGERY

CODE	DESCRIPTION	PRE-APPROVAL REQUIRED	PAYMENT INDICATORS	PAYMENT RULES
43	Destruction by cryosurgery of actinic keratosis with or without surgical curettement, one lesion (I.P.)	No	Independent Procedure	Limited to 3 claims in total within any 12 month period from date of first treatment This code is claimable at the end of a course of treatment. Rates quoted for all treatments for the common definition of a body area e.g. Foot will include foot and toes, Hand will include hand , palm and fingers
44	Destruction by cryosurgery of actinic keratosis with or without surgical curettement, two or more lesions (I.P.)	No	Independent Procedure	Limited to 3 claims in total within any 12 month period from date of first treatment This code is claimable at the end of a course of treatment. Rates quoted for all treatments for the common definition of a body area e.g. Foot will include foot and toes, Hand will include hand , palm and fingers
49	Destruction by cryotherapy of warts with or without surgical curettement, one lesion (I.P.)	No	Independent Procedure	Limited to 3 claims in total within any 12 month period from date of first treatment This code is claimable at the end of a course of treatment. Rates quoted for all treatments for the common definition of a body area e.g. Foot will include foot and toes, Hand will include hand , palm and fingers
51	Destruction by cryotherapy of warts with or without surgical curettement, two or more lesions (I.P.)	No	Independent Procedure	Limited to 3 claims in total within any 12 month period from date of first treatment This code is claimable at the end of a course of treatment. Rates quoted for all treatments for the common definition of a body area e.g. Foot will include foot and toes, Hand will include hand , palm and fingers

EXCISIONS

CODE	DESCRIPTION	PRE-APPROVAL REQUIRED	PAYMENT INDICATORS	PAYMENT RULES
23	Excision of pigmented naevi, one or more, maximum benefit per six months (I.P.)	No	Independent Procedure	

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CODE	DESCRIPTION	PRE-APPROVAL REQUIRED	PAYMENT INDICATORS	PAYMENT RULES
26	Excision of sebaceous cyst(s) (single or multiple) (I.P.)	No	Independent Procedure	
29	Basal cell carcinoma/ squamous cell carcinoma, simple excision (I.P.)	No	Independent Procedure	Copy of the histology report must available for review on request
47	Excision of chalazion, papilloma, dermoid or other cyst or lesion, single, involving skin, lid margin, tarsus, and/ or palpebral conjunctiva (I.P.)	No	Independent Procedure	
48	Excision of chalazions, papilloma's, dermoids or other cysts or lesions, one or both eyelids, involving skin, lid margin, tarsus and/ or palpebral conjunctiva (I.P.)	No	Independent Procedure	
53	Excision of sebaceous cyst(s) of face, single or multiple (I.P.)	No	Independent Procedure	
59	Plantar warts, surgical excision, or local application, one or more per course of treatment on same or different days	No		Per course of treatment on same or different days

FOREIGN BODY

CODE	DESCRIPTION	PRE-APPROVAL REQUIRED	PAYMENT INDICATORS	PAYMENT RULES
19	Foreign body, removal of (I.P.)	No	Independent Procedure	
32	Foreign body, removal of, from conjunctiva	No		
33	Foreign body, removal of, from cornea	No		

GENITALIA

CODE	DESCRIPTION	PRE-APPROVAL REQUIRED	PAYMENT INDICATORS	PAYMENT RULES
2	Destruction of lesion(s) by any method, genital/ anal warts (e.g. condyloma, papilloma, molluscum contagiosum, herpetic vesicle) per session (I.P.)	No	Independent Procedure	
6	Hydrocele, tapping	No		
255460	Vasectomy	No		
598301	Exploration and removal of implanted contraceptive, requiring the use of ultrasound or other localisation. (I.P.)	No	Independent Procedure	

NAIL

CODE	DESCRIPTION	PRE-APPROVAL REQUIRED	PAYMENT INDICATORS	PAYMENT RULES
36	Nail, removal of	No		
37	Whitlow, incision and drainage	No		
39	Avulsion of nail plate, partial or complete, simple	No		

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CODE	DESCRIPTION	PRE-APPROVAL REQUIRED	PAYMENT INDICATORS	PAYMENT RULES
58	Ingrowing toe nail, removal of nail and nail bed	No		

WOUNDS

CODE	DESCRIPTION	PRE-APPROVAL REQUIRED	PAYMENT INDICATORS	PAYMENT RULES
27	Wounds and sinuses, curettage of	No		
66	Suturing of traumatic wounds with suture or tissue adhesive	No		

OTHER G.P. PROCEDURES

CODE	DESCRIPTION	PRE-APPROVAL REQUIRED	PAYMENT INDICATORS	PAYMENT RULES
3	Haemorrhoids, injection and/ or banding (I.P.)	No	Independent Procedure	
12	Sclerosing operation on vein(s), one leg (Independent procedure)	No	Independent Procedure	Treatment of Spider/Thread veins and telangiectasia are excluded
13	Sclerosing operation on veins, both legs (Independent procedure)	No	Independent Procedure	Treatment of Spider/Thread veins and telangiectasia are excluded
17	Biopsy of skin, subcutaneous tissue and/ or mucous membrane including simple closure (I.P.)	No	Independent Procedure	
31	Epistaxis, anterior packing and/ or cautery (I.P.)	No	Independent Procedure	
38	Ganglion, removal of, aspiration	No		
52	Enucleation of lipoma (I.P.)	No	Independent Procedure	
68	Therapeutic phlebotomy for patients with polycythemia rubra vera or haemochromatosis	No		
70	Frenectomy (tongue tie)	No		