

# Consultant Private Room Fees And Surgeries (Including Minor Procedures) Ground Rules



## 1. Private Rooms Technical Benefit

For the past 3 years to recognise the work done by consultants in their private rooms where they may have invested in additional equipment or facilities to provide an enhanced experience to their patients and to avoid an admission into a hospital setting, Irish Life Health introduced a "Private Room Fee" set of codes.

This Private Room Fee is for selected procedures only (as outlined below).

The additional code(s) technical fee will only be paid where no hospital or other bills are involved/ received and will be paid at 100% (multiple procedures rule does not apply) The technical charge code(s) may be claimed in conjunction with the professional fee of the relevant procedure code (which is the same as an in-patient/ day case hospital professional fee rate), and only when the consultant has performed the procedure(s) in their own rooms/ suite (based on the consultant decisions regarding appropriateness and safety).

Consultants are required to submit their claim form, billing both the procedure code and the appropriate "Private Rooms Technical Fee" code, specific to their discipline.

For these selected codes, when the consultant opts to undertake the procedure in the hospital, then the hospital billing and claim submission rules remains in place.

Code	Description	
10072	Consultant Palliative medicine in-patient consultation	
276699	Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon Private Rooms Technical Fee	
376699	Consultant Vascular Surgeon Private Rooms Technical Fee	
441598	Consultant Haematologist Private Rooms Technical Fee	
441599	Consultant Oncologist Private Rooms Technical Fee	
456699	Consultant General Surgeon Private Rooms Technical Fee	
596699	Consultant Gynaecologist Private Rooms Technical Fee	
636699	Consultant in Pain Management Private Rooms Technical Fee	
666599	Consultant Ophthalmologist Private Rooms Technical Fee	
811598	Consultant Dermatologist Private Rooms Technical Fee - Warts & Cryosurgery	
811599	Consultant Dermatologist Private Rooms Technical Fee	
816699	Consultant Rheumatologist Private Rooms Technical Fee	
856598	Consultant Plastic & Reconstructive Surgeon Private Rooms Higher Technical Fee	
856599	Consultant Plastic & Reconstructive Surgeon Private Rooms Technical Fee	
906699	Consultant Urologist Private Rooms Technical Fee	

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936699	Consultant Cardiologist Private Rooms Technical Fee	
946699	Consultant Ear Nose Throat Surgeon Private Rooms Technical Fee	

## 2. Drug Infusion Benefit

In the instance that the procedure includes a specified drug, which is stated as "hospital only" the consultant may make an application such as in the case of intravitreal injections or a number of infusions, for Irish Life Health to recognise the centre as a recognised centre for such treatments. Then, subject to contract and agreement, Irish Life Health will reimburse the consultant for the drug at a specified rate, as outlined in the Irish Life Health standardised drug list, plus an agreed technical/facility fee

Drugs need to be administered and invoiced in the most efficient manner to eliminate waste, abuse and error. The list is subject to change as and when drug lists, prices and information are modified (in line with the IPHA agreement) and when generic equivalents enter the market

All drugs listed in the procedure codes below will be reimbursed by Irish Life Health. Please contact consultantcontracts@irishlifehealth.ie for a comprehensive copy of the drugs available for reimbursement and the rates thereof.

## 3. Conditions of payment

Procedures where the "Private Rooms Technical Fee" codes may be claimed are outlined below and are subject to change based on further input and feedback from consultants. Please email consultantcontracts@irishlifehealth.ie with any queries and/ or recommendation for review on these codes.

## 4. Private Rooms Technical Fee Codes

The claiming of benefit will continue on the basis of a fully completed Irish Life Health claim form from the primary treating consultant. Please note, the rules as set out beside each procedure code in the Schedule of Benefits for Professional fees, will apply.

Code	Description
1505	Abscess, cyst or tumour, aspiration of (I.P.)
174334	Arthrocentesis, aspiration and/ or injection; major joint or bursa (e.g. shoulder, hip, knee joint, subacromial bursa) (I.P.) - 2 aspirations / injections in same episode
174335	Arthrocentesis, aspiration and/ or injection; major joint or bursa (e.g. shoulder, hip, knee joint, subacromial bursa) (I.P.) - 3 or more aspirations / injections in same episode

Code	Description	
4333	Arthrocentesis, aspiration and/ or injection; intermediate joint, bursa or ganglion cyst (e.g. temporomandibular acromioclavicular, wrist, elbow or ankle, olecranon bursa) (I.P.)	
4334	Arthrocentesis, aspiration and/ or injection; major joint or bursa (e.g. shoulder, hip, knee joint, subacromial bursa) (I.P.)	
4332	Arthrocentesis, aspiration and/ or injection; small joint, bursa or ganglion cyst (e.g. fingers, toes) (I.P.)	
304332	Arthrocentesis, aspiration and/ or injection; small joint, bursa or ganglion cyst (e.g. fingers, toes) , including ultrasound guidance(I.P.)	
304333	Arthrocentesis, aspiration and/ or injection; intermediate joint, bursa or ganglion cyst (e.g. temporomandibular acromioclavicular, wrist, elbow or ankle, olecranon bursa) including ultrasound guidance (I.P.)	
304334	Arthrocentesis, aspiration and/ or injection; major joint or bursa (e.g. shoulder, hip, knee joint, subacromial bursa) including ultrasound guidance (I.P.)	
4155	Avulsion of nail plate, partial or complete, simple	
1509	Biopsy of skin, subcutaneous tissue and/ or mucous membrane, any method (e.g. punch, incision or shave), including simple closure; single lesion (I.P.)	
2520	Conjunctival wounds, repair	
1517	Destruction by cryosurgery of actinic keratosis or warts other than plantar warts with or without surgical curettement, two to fourteen lesions (I.P.)	
1516	Destruction by cryotherapy of actinic keratosis or warts other than plantar warts with or without surgical curettement, one lesion (I.P.)	
405	Destruction of lesion(s) by any method, genital/ anal warts (e.g. condyloma, papilloma, molluscum contagiosum, herpetic vesicle) where performed under general anaesthetic in an Irish Life Health approved hospital (I.P.)	
1546	Enucleation or excision of lipoma	
1800	Epistaxis - anterior packing and/ or cautery (I.P.)	
49371	Excision of benign or malignant lesion(s), any area; adjacent tissue transfers or rearrangement, 4 sq. cm or less (I.P.)	
1552	Surgical excision of benign lesion or lesions from body other than face, ear, neck and/ or genitalia (includes sebaceous cysts) (I.P.)	
1554	Surgical excision of benign lesion or lesions of face, neck, ear or genitalia (includes sebaceous cysts) (I.P.)	
170555	Multiple stage surgical excision of benign lesion for congenital naevi (includes sebaceous cysts) (I.P.)	

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1525	Foreign body, removal of	
2505	Foreign body, removal of, from conjunctiva	
4160	Excision of nail and nail matrix, partial or complete (e.g. ingrown or deformed nail), for permanent removal	
3120	Nail, removal of	
4210	Plantar warts, complete surgical excision, one or more (not local application, cryotherapy or curettage etc.)	
1540	Skin abscess, (superficial) incision and drainage of (I.P.)	
1641	Therapeutic phlebotomy, by the consultant physician or under the consultant physician supervision, includes appropriate advice to the patient as necessary, including file report or report to the referring doctor	
3155	Whitlow, incision and drainage	
1602	Wounds from 2.6 cm to 7.5 cm in total length, suture or staple of lacerated or torn tissue, single or multi layered closure with or without irrigation or debridement (I.P.)	
1601	Wounds up to 2.5 cm in total length, suture or staple of lacerated or torn tissue, single or multi layered closure with or without irrigation or debridement (I.P.)	

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5008	Cardiac ultrasound, (echocardiography) for patients on cytotoxic chemotherapy	Cardiology
5021	Major consultant consultation including tilt table testing, alone or in combination with the administration of provocative agents (e.g. Isoproterenol), with continuous ECG monitoring and intermittent blood pressure monitoring for the evaluation of cardiac function in patients with recurrent unexplained neurocardiogenic syncope who have an inconclusive history and physical examination, as well as negative non-invasive tests of cardiac structure and function (not payable for any other indication except as stated above)	Cardiology
5036	Trans-thoracic echocardiography for congenital or acquired cardiac anomalies in children under 16; limited study for patients where the cardiac anatomy is known (e.g. follow up of valve stenosis) or in the evaluation or follow up of patients with predominantly non-cardiac problems (e.g. pre or post cancer chemotherapy, severe renal disease, overwhelming sepsis), where the assessment of myocardial and valvular function or exclusion of pericardial effusion is required	Cardiology

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5037	Trans-thoracic echocardiography, initial assessment of an infant or child, for the diagnosis or exclusion of complex congenital or acquired cardiac anomalies or where a detailed follow up examination is indicated. Also for adults with congenital heart disease assessed by a consultant Paediatric Cardiologist	Cardiology
5091	Cardioversion	Cardiology
5108	Cardiac ultrasound, (echocardiography)	Cardiology
5109	Echocardiography, transoesophageal, real-time with image documentation (2D) (with or without M-mode recording), including probe placement, image acquisition, interpretation and report	Cardiology
5132	Foetal echocardiography for the diagnosis or exclusion of cardiac anomalies in the foetus, including detailed segmental analysis, assessment of visceral situs (2D), M -mode, Doppler (PW & colour flow), assessment of myocardial function, regurgitation - including image acquisition, interpretation and report	Cardiology
1670	Excision/ repair external ear; soft tissue lesion(s), polyp/ polyps or repair of split ear lobe(s) or other trauma, one or both ears	ENT
1671	Debridement of ear canal and microinspection of tympanic membrane unilateral or bilateral, requiring the use of an operating microscope and a hospital operating theatre e.g. in chronic otitis media or keratosis obturans (not for routine syringing, cleaning or the removal of impacted cerumen) (I.P.)	ENT
1675	Drainage external ear, abscess or haematoma	ENT
1700	Foreign body, removal from ear, under general anaesthetic (I.P.)	ENT
1805	Epistaxis - posterior packing and/ or cautery (I.P.)	ENT
1820	Polypectomy, single (I.P.)	ENT
1904	Nasal/ sinus endoscopy (using an endoscope), diagnostic, unilateral or bilateral (this code is not payable for planned routine follow-ups to any other ENT procedure e.g. for splint, removal, washout, healing check etc.) (I.P.)	ENT
1990	Cauterisation and/ or ablation, mucous of turbinates, unilateral or bilateral, any method, superficial (I.P.)	ENT

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2030	Laryngoscopy, flexible/ rigid under topical anaesthesia (I.P.)	ENT
2113	Full pulmonary function studies for the diagnosis and assessment of obstructive or restrictive lung disease (I.P.)	ENT
2122	Initial nasal CPAP titration for sleep apnoea together with a second nasal CPAP titration procedure performed for sleep apnoea during the same admission (I.P.)	ENT
2144	Nasal CPAP titration for sleep apnoea (I.P.)	ENT
2148	Multiple Sleep Latency Testing (MSLT) or maintenance of wakefulness testing, recording, analysis and interpretation of physiological measurements of sleep during multiple trials to assess sleepiness	ENT
309012	Debridement of post-mastoidectomy cavity and micro- inspection of tympanic membrane, unilateral and/ or bilateral, in a hospital theatre via microscope	ENT
50	Paracentesis abdominis	General Surgery
192	Capsule endoscopy	General Surgery
461	Reduction of prolapsed colostomy stoma	General Surgery
488	Ano-rectal manometry	General Surgery
506	Haemorrhoids, injection and/ or banding (I.P.)	General Surgery
515	Imperforate anus, simple incision	General Surgery
530	Proctoscopy or sigmoidoscopy (I.P.)	General Surgery
535	Proctoscopy or sigmoidoscopy, with biopsy (I.P.)	General Surgery
536	Diagnostic flexible sigmoidoscopy and biopsies (I.P.)	General Surgery
1046	Excision of lesion of mucosa and submucosa, vestibule of mouth, with simple repair (I.P.)	General Surgery
1047	Excision of lesion of mucosa and submucosa, vestibule of mouth, complex, with or without excision of underlying muscle (I.P.)	General Surgery
1055	Cyst or benign tumour on lip, excision of (I.P.)	General Surgery
1058	Epithelioma of lip, lip shave	General Surgery
1095	Tuberculous caseous glands or sinuses, curettage of	General Surgery
1100	Laceration of palate, repair of	General Surgery

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1115	Abscess of salivary gland, incision and drainage	General Surgery
1125	Parotid or submandibular duct, dilatation of	General Surgery
1140	Salivary calculus, removal of	General Surgery
1152	Thyroid cyst(s) aspiration/ fine needle biopsy (I.P.)	General Surgery
1170	Frenectomy (tongue tie)	General Surgery
1180	Growths of tongue, diathermy to	General Surgery
1185	Excision biopsy, oral cavity (I.P.)	General Surgery
1191	Breast cyst(s) aspiration/ fine needle biopsy (diagnostic or therapeutic) (I.P.)	General Surgery
1195	Percutaneous core needle biopsy of breast with or without ultrasound guidance (for fine needle biopsy use procedure code 1191) (I.P.)	General Surgery
1310	Open superficial lymph node biopsy	General Surgery
1311	Biopsy or excision of lymph node(s); by needle, superficial (e.g. cervical, inguinal, axillary)	General Surgery
1320	Axillary or inguinal lymph nodes, incision of abscess	General Surgery
494351	Incision and drainage of axillary or inguinal lymph node abscess	General Surgery
2160	Cervix, local excision of lesion (I.P.)	Gynaecology
2170	Cervix, suture of (I.P.)	Gynaecology
2171	Cervical cerclage (I.P.)	Gynaecology
2172	Cerclage of cervix, during pregnancy through abdominal incision (I.P.)	Gynaecology
2175	Cervix, cautery of (I.P.)	Gynaecology
2181	Colposcopy (I.P.)	Gynaecology
2182	Colposcopy with Lletz procedure for lesion removal and/ or laser therapy (I.P.)	Gynaecology
2183	Colposcopy and diagnostic biopsy (I.P.)	Gynaecology
2184	Colposcopy and therapeutic loop electrode biopsy(s) of the cervix (I.P.)	Gynaecology
2209	Chorionic villus sampling with ultrasound guidance	Gynaecology
2211	Amniocentesis, with ultrasound guidance	Gynaecology

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2216	Advanced foetal ultrasound, real time with image documentation, detailed foetal and maternal anatomical examination, only payable following referral by the initial Obstetrician for a documented suspected abnormality identified by a prior ultrasound (I.P.)	Gynaecology
2225	Dilatation and curettage (diagnostic or therapeutic) (I.P.)	Gynaecology
2246	Hysteroscopy with insertion of intrauterine device for menorrhagia (not for contraceptive purposes) (I.P.)	Gynaecology
2247	Insertion of intrauterine device for menorrhagia, not for contraceptive purposes (I.P.)	Gynaecology
2377	Endoscopic periurethral injection of bulking agents that are approved by FDA for urinary incontinence. Benefit is payable for a maximum of 3 treatments (I.P.)	Gynaecology
2385	Bartholin's gland cyst, excision of	Gynaecology
2390	Bartholin's or Skene's gland, abscess of, incision and drainage (I.P.)	Gynaecology
2395	Caruncle, vulvovaginal, removal of (I.P.)	Gynaecology
2425	Cysts or simple tumours of the vulva or vagina, excision of	Gynaecology
2430	Hymenotomy (I.P.)	Gynaecology
2435	Hymenectomy (I.P.)	Gynaecology
598513	Termination by one of more vaginal suppositories (including delivery of foetus and secundines) (I.P.)	Gynaecology
2490	Conjunctival flap	Ophthalmology
2500	Conjunctival cyst/ granuloma, one or more excision of	Ophthalmology
2508	Left eye, intravitreal injection of Beovu for the treatment of neovascular (wet) age-related macular degeneration (AMD) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2509	Right eye, intravitreal injection of Beovu for the treatment of neovascular (wet) age-related macular degeneration (AMD) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2510	Pterygium removal	Ophthalmology
2512	Left eye, intravitreal injection of Lucentis for the treatment of neovascular (wet) age-related macular degeneration (AMD) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology

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2513	Right eye, intravitreal injection of Lucentis for the treatment of neovascular (wet) age-related macular degeneration (AMD) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2516	Left eye, intravitreal injection of Lucentis for the treatment of visual impairment due to diabetic macular oedema (DME) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2517	Right eye, intravitreal injection of Lucentis for the treatment of visual impairment due to diabetic macular oedema (DME) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2518	Left eye, intravitreal injection of Lucentis for the treatment of visual impairment due to macular oedema secondary to retinal vein occlusion (branch RVO or central RVO) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2519	Right eye, intravitreal injection of Lucentis for the treatment of visual impairment due to macular oedema secondary to retinal vein occlusion (branch RVO or central RVO) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2521	Symblepharon division	Ophthalmology
2527	Conjunctival biopsy	Ophthalmology
2528	Intravitreal injection of a pharmacological agent with or without paracentesis. Only for use where the intravitreal agents are not listed separately in this schedule (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2531	Removal of sutures (late stage) post corneal grafting; corneal/ sclera	Ophthalmology
2535	Corneal surface removed and EDTA application	Ophthalmology
2540	Corneal tattooing	Ophthalmology
2541	Left eye, intravitreal implantation of Ozurdex (Dexamethasone) for treatment of adult patients with macular oedema following either Branch Retinal Vein Occlusion (BRVO) or Central Retinal Vein Occlusion (CRVO) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2543	Left eye, intravitreal implantation of Ozurdex (Dexamethasone) for treatment of adult patients with inflammation of the posterior segment of the eye presenting as non-infectious uveitis (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2546	Corneal scraping	Ophthalmology
2547	Corneal biopsy	Ophthalmology

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2548	Ulcer/ recurrent erosion, surgical treatment/ cautery with or without pricking, with or without debridement, with or without cryotherapy, one or more treatments, per episode of illness	Ophthalmology
2551	Left eye, intravitreal injection of Avastin for treatment of visual impairment due to diabetic macular oedema (DME) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2552	Right eye, intravitreal injection of Avastin for treatment of visual impairment due to diabetic macular oedema (DME) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2553	Left eye, intravitreal injection of Avastin for the treatment of neovascular (wet) age-related macular degeneration (AMD) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2554	Right eye, intravitreal injection of Avastin for the treatment of neovascular (wet) age-related macular degeneration (AMD) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2559	Bilateral intravitreal injection of Eylea (Aflibercept) (bilateral) for the treatment of visual impairment due to diabetic macular oedema (DME) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2561	Left eye, intravitreal injection of Eylea (Aflibercept) for the treatment of neovascular (wet) age-related macular degeneration (AMD) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2562	Right eye, intravitreal injection of Eylea (Aflibercept) for the treatment of neovascular (wet) age-related macular degeneration (AMD) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2563	Bilateral intravitreal injection of Eylea (aflibercept) (bilateral) for the treatment of neovascular (wet) age- related macular degeneration (AMD) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2564	Left eye, intravitreal injection of Eylea (Aflibercept) for the treatment of visual impairment due to diabetic macular oedema (DME) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2567	Left eye, intravitreal injection of Avastin for the treatment of visual impairment due to macular oedema secondary to retinal vein occlusion (RVO) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2568	Right eye, intravitreal injection of Avastin for the treatment of visual impairment due to macular oedema secondary to retinal vein occlusion (RVO) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology

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2569	Right eye, intravitreal injection of Eylea (Aflibercept) for the treatment of visual impairment due to diabetic macular oedema (DME) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2571	Left eye, intravitreal injection of Eylea (Aflibercept) for the treatment of visual impairment due to macular oedema secondary to central retinal vein occlusion (CRVO) or branch retinal vein occlusion (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2572	Right eye, intravitreal injection of Eylea (Aflibercept) for the treatment of visual impairment due to macular oedema secondary to central retinal vein occlusion (CRVO) or branch retinal vein occlusion (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2575	Foreign body, removal of, from cornea	Ophthalmology
2591	Botulinum injection for blepharospasm or to induce ptosis (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2592	Repair of ectropion; suture or thermo cauterization	Ophthalmology
2601	Repair of entropion; suture or thermo cauterization	Ophthalmology
2605	Epilation, trichiasis, correction of, by other than forceps (e.g. electrosurgery, cryotherapy, laser surgery), unilateral or bilateral. (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2610	Injury to eyelid, repair (superficial)	Ophthalmology
2621	Excision of chalazion, papilloma, dermoid or other cyst or lesion, single, involving skin, lid margin, tarsus, and/ or palpebral conjunctiva (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2622	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.)	Ophthalmology
2626	Canthotomy (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2648	Unilateral YAG laser capsulotomy, post cataract surgery, one or more treatments (details of previous cataract surgery must be provided on the claim form)	Ophthalmology
2649	Bilateral YAG laser capsulotomy, post cataract surgery, one or more treatments (details of previous cataract surgery must be provided on the claim form)	Ophthalmology

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2678	Left eye, intravitreal injection of Jetrea (Ocriplasmin) in adults for the treatment of vitreomacular traction (VMT), including when associated with macular hole of a diameter less than or equal to 400 microns. Claimable once only per lifetime (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2679	Right eye, intravitreal injection of Jetrea (Ocriplasmin) in adults for the treatment of vitreomacular traction (VMT), including when associated with macular hole of a diameter less than or equal to 400 microns. Claimable once only per lifetime (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2756	Removal of D.C.R. tube	Ophthalmology
2760	Lacrimal abscess, (dacrocystitis) incision	Ophthalmology
2761	Lacrimal sac, syringing and probing, unilateral or bilateral (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2764	Probing of nasolacrimal duct, with or without irrigation; with insertion of tube or stent (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2766	Punctal closure with cautery or controller	Ophthalmology
2768	3 snip operation of lacrimal punctum	Ophthalmology
2769	Correction of everted punctum: cautery only	Ophthalmology
2773	Lacrimal canaliculi and sac, probing with or without syringing, one or both eyes (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2775	Lacrimal sac, syringing (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2872	Post operative adjustment(s) of suture(s)	Ophthalmology
2873	Botulinum toxin injection to extraocular muscles	Ophthalmology
2874	Muscle biopsy (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2875	Retrobulbar, orbital floor, subconjunctival, subtenons and facial nerve injections (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2880	Examination of eye under general anaesthetic (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2926	Fluorescein angiography (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
2927	Tensilon (Edrophonium) test	Ophthalmology
669514	Bilateral, intravitreal injection of Lucentis for the treatment of neovascular (wet) age-related macular degeneration (AMD) (I.P)	Ophthalmology

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669518	Bilateral, intravitreal injection of Lucentis for the treatment of visual impairment due to diabetic macular oedema (DME) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
669520	Bilateral, intravitreal injection of Lucentis for the treatment of visual impairment due to macular oedema secondary to retinal vein occlusion (branch RVO or central RVO) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
669541	Left eye, intravitreal implantation of Ozurdex (Dexamethasone) for treatment of adult patients with macular oedema following either Branch Retinal Vein Occlusion (BRVO) or Central Retinal Vein Occlusion (CRVO) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
669542	Right eye, intravitreal implantation of Ozurdex (Dexamethasone) for treatment of adult patients with macular oedema following either Branch Retinal Vein Occlusion (BRVO) or Central Retinal Vein Occlusion (CRVO) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
669543	Bilateral, intravitreal implantation of Ozurdex (Dexamethasone) for treatment of adult patients with macular oedema following either Branch Retinal Vein Occlusion (BRVO) or Central Retinal Vein Occlusion (CRVO) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
669544	Right eye, intravitreal implantation of Ozurdex (Dexamethasone) for treatment of adult patients with inflammation of the posterior segment of the eye presenting as non-infectious uveitis (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
669545	Bilateral, intravitreal implantation of Ozurdex (Dexamethasone) for treatment of adult patients with inflammation of the posterior segment of the eye presenting as non-infectious uveitis (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
669546	Left eye, intravitreal implantation of Ozurdex (Dexamethasone) for treatment of adult patients with inflammation of the posterior segment of the eye presenting as non-infectious uveitis (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
669551	Bilateral, intravitreal injection of Avastin for treatment of visual impairment due to diabetic macular oedema (DME) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
669555	Bilateral, intravitreal injection of Avastin for the treatment of neovascular (wet) age-related macular degeneration (AMD) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology

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669569	Bilateral, intravitreal injection of Avastin for the treatment of visual impairment due to macular oedema secondary to retinal vein occlusion (RVO) (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
669573	Bilateral, intravitreal injection of Eylea (Aflibercept) for the treatment of visual impairment due to macular oedema secondary to central retinal vein occlusion (CRVO) or branch retinal vein occlusion (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
669580	Left eye, implantation of 190mcg lluvien flucinone acetone device (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
669581	Right eye, implantation of 190mcg lluvien flucinone acetone device (I.P.)	Ophthalmology
1385	Muscle biopsy	Orthopaedic
1390	Nerve biopsy	Orthopaedic
1425	Tenotomy	Orthopaedic
3115	Manipulation for treatment of dislocation of metacarpophalangeal joint (I.P.)	Orthopaedic
3125	Nails, removal of all	Orthopaedic
3126	Debridement and repair of nail bed, for simple crush injuries	Orthopaedic
3130	Application of plaster of paris casts as a separate procedure not associated with concurrent surgery (I.P.)	Orthopaedic
3184	Injection, therapeutic (e.g. local anaesthetic corticosteroid for the relief of symptoms of carpal tunnel syndrome) under ultrasound guidance (I.P.)	Orthopaedic
3230	Nerve block for pain control, wrist joint	Orthopaedic
3250	Sympathetic block	Orthopaedic
3315	Drainage of elbow joint	Orthopaedic
3325	Fracture forearm (greenstick), closed reduction and plaster of paris	Orthopaedic
3365	Closed treatment of elbow dislocation (I.P.)	Orthopaedic
3610	Aspiration, sacro-iliac joint	Orthopaedic
3615	Biopsy of sacro-iliac joint region	Orthopaedic
3620	Injection of sacro-iliac joint region (I.P.)	Orthopaedic
3817	Removal of fixator device, tibia	Orthopaedic

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3985	Synovial biopsy, ankle	Orthopaedic
4025	Manipulation and plaster fixation	Orthopaedic
4030	Manipulation and strapping	Orthopaedic
4107	Percutaneous skeletal fixation of metatarsal fracture with manipulation	Orthopaedic
4161	Initial pledget insertion for infected ingrown toenail, under general anaesthetic, in children under 16 years of age (I.P.)	Orthopaedic
4263	Chemodenervation of muscle(s); extremity(ies) and/ or trunk muscle(s) (e.g. for dystonia, cerebral palsy, multiple sclerosis)	Orthopaedic
4321	Arthrocentesis, one or more injections at the same session, children aged 12 to 16; small, intermediate or large joint (I.P.)	Orthopaedic
4322	Arthrocentesis, children aged under 12; less than 4 injections at the same session to knee, wrist, elbow, ankle and/ or shoulder joint (I.P.)	Orthopaedic
4323	Arthrocentesis, children aged under 12; 4 or more injections at the same session to knee, wrist, elbow, ankle and/ or shoulder joint (I.P.)	Orthopaedic
4324	Arthrocentesis, children aged under 12; less than 4 injections at the same session, using image guidance, to hip, finger and/ or toe joint (I.P.)	Orthopaedic
4326	Arthrocentesis, children aged under 12; 4 or more injections at the same session, using image guidance, to hip, finger and/ or toe joints (I.P.)	Orthopaedic
4331	Injection, tendon sheath, ligament, or ganglion cyst (I.P.)	Orthopaedic
3540	Epidural injection (I.P.)	Pain Management
3541	Caudal epidural (I.P.)	Pain Management
3542	Epidural injection, of anaesthetic substances and/ or therapeutic substances, diagnostic or therapeutic under radiological guidance one or more levels at the same session (I.P.)	Pain Management
5038	Refilling and maintenance of implantable pump or reservoir including access to pump port (I.P.)	Pain Management

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5586	Destruction by neurolytic agent (chemodenervation of muscle endplate); muscles enervated by facial nerve (e.g. for blepharospasm, hemifacial spasm)	Pain Management
5614	Peripheral nerve lesioning including pulsed radiofrequency or electrical stimulation (I.P.)	Pain Management
5615	Peripheral nerve block for pain control using nerve stimulator or ultrasound guidance (I.P.)	Pain Management
5620	Sympathetic block, under image guidance (I.P.)	Pain Management
5624	Injection, anaesthetic agent, intercostal nerve, single (I.P.)	Pain Management
5625	Injection, anaesthetic agent, intercostal nerve, multiple, regional block (I.P.)	Pain Management
5880	Electromyography (EMG)	Pain Management
5881	Electromyography (EMG) study, rectal mucosal sensitivity testing	Pain Management
4415	Adjustment of lip margin	Reconstructive Surgery
4420	Adjustment of scars, secondary	Reconstructive Surgery
4538	Treatment of superficial wound dehiscence; simple closure with or without packing (single layer closure)	Reconstructive Surgery
4544	Keloids and hypertrophic scars intralesional injection of triamcinolone, extensive, seven or more lesions or one lesion larger than 5 sq.cm where general anaesthetic is medically necessary; by consultant Plastic Surgeon registered with Irish Life Health only (I.P.)	Reconstructive Surgery
4555	Accessory auricles, removal	Reconstructive Surgery
4920	Fracture of nose, digital closed reduction	Reconstructive Surgery
4925	Fracture of nose, instrumental closed reduction	Reconstructive Surgery
4926	Fracture of nose, instrumental closed reduction with plaster of paris fixation	Reconstructive Surgery
4937	Excision of benign or malignant lesion(s), any area; adjacent tissue transfers or rearrangement, where the is the requirement for more than 1 layer of deep or deep dermal sutures for effective closure	Reconstructive Surgery

Code	Description	Speciality
4942	Skin graft (pinch, split thickness, epidermal, dermal or tissue culture or free flap excised from a distant site and harvested as a graft from non-adjacent skin) for repair when direct wound closure or adjacent tissue transfer is not possible; with codes 4937 or 4938. (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure. Benefit shown is payable in full with code for the primary procedure)	Reconstructive Surgery
4943	Skin graft (pinch, split thickness, epidermal, dermal or tissue culture or free flap excised from a distant site and harvested as a graft from non-adjacent skin) for repair when direct wound closure or adjacent tissue transfer is not possible; with code 4939. (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure. Benefit shown is payable in full with code for the primary procedure) (see note after procedure 4946)	Reconstructive Surgery
4983	Botox for hyperhydrosis (I.P.)	Reconstructive Surgery
45461	Keloids and hypertrophic scars intralesional injection of triamcinolone; up to and including the sixth lesions, under 12 in an Irish Life Health approved hospital (I.P.)	Reconstructive Surgery
212013	Wounds up to 2.5 cm in total length, suture of lacerated or torn facial tissue, single or multi layered closure with or without irrigation or debridement (I.P.)	Reconstructive Surgery
212014	Wounds from 2.6 cm to 7.5 cm in total length, suture of lacerated or torn facial tissue, single or multi layered closure with or without irrigation or debridement (I.P.)	Reconstructive Surgery
444546	Enucleation or excision of lipoma (I.P.)	Reconstructive Surgery
1507	Angioma of skin and subcutaneous tissue or mucous surfaces, excision and repair of	Skin & Subcutaneous
1531	Biopsies of the skin, subcutaneous tissue and/ or mucous membrane including simple closure (I.P.) (the areas biopsied must be specified on the claim form)	Skin & Subcutaneous
1550	Malignant melanoma, wide excisional biopsy	Skin & Subcutaneous
1560	Incision and drainage of pilonidal abscess	Skin & Subcutaneous
1575	Basal cell carcinoma/ squamous cell carcinoma/ nonmelanoma - simple excision	Skin & Subcutaneous
1578	Wounds or ulcers requiring debridement when it is medically necessary to perform the procedure under general anaesthetic (I.P.)	Skin & Subcutaneous

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1582	Each additional layer (stage) after the first layer (stage) claimed under 1581, up to 5 tissue blocks	Skin & Subcutaneous
1584	Each additional layer (stage) after the first layer (stage) claimed under code 1583, up to 5 tissue blocks	Skin & Subcutaneous
1591	Hydradenitis suppurativa, excision and suture	Skin & Subcutaneous
1596	Each additional block after the first 5 tissue blocks, any layer (stage), (Benefit is payable in full in conjunction with 1581 to 1584)	Skin & Subcutaneous
1603	Wounds greater than 7.5cm in total length, suture or staple of lacerated or torn tissue, single or multi layered closure with or without irrigation or debridement (I.P.)	Skin & Subcutaneous
1663	Drainage of abscess or haematoma, (deep tissues) requiring general anaesthetic	Skin & Subcutaneous
4281	Bone marrow aspiration	Skin & Subcutaneous
4282	Bone marrow biopsy	Skin & Subcutaneous
4287	Bone marrow aspiration and biopsy	Skin & Subcutaneous
4546	Keloids and hypertrophic scars (I.P.)	Skin & Subcutaneous
158711	Laser treatment to port wine stains only, one to three sessions - per session fee	Skin & Subcutaneous
254105	Genital biopsy (male or female) (I.P.)	Skin & Subcutaneous
825000	Biopsies of the skin, subcutaneous tissue and/ or mucous membranes, any method multiple lesions (I.P.)	Skin & Subcutaneous
671	Subcutaneous testosterone implantation for hypogonadotrophic hypogonadism	Urology
672	Drainage of intra-scrotal abscess (I.P.)	Urology
681	Injection of corpora cavernosa with pharmacologic agent(s) (e.g. papaverine, phentolamine)	Urology
688	Biopsy of penis (I.P.)	Urology
695	Prepuce, dorsal incision of	Urology
696	Release of priapism (needle drainage)	Urology

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830	Evaluation of a new patient initiating peritoneal dialysis during a hospital admission, includes insertion of temporary intraperitoneal catheter, and the initial dialysis session (once only per member, use procedure code 831 for subsequent in-patient exchanges)	Urology
831	For each subsequent peritoneal dialysis exchange during an overnight hospital stay	Urology
836	Bladder, instillation of anticarcinogenic agent (Mitomycin C)	Urology
839	Bladder, instillation of therapeutic agent for interstitial cystitis	Urology
843	Bladder, instillation of anticarcinogenic agent (BCG medac)	Urology
844	Trials of micturition for urinary retention post-surgery (I.P.)	Urology
846	Botulinum toxin injection to bladder wall (I.P.)	Urology
881	Cystoscopy with removal of JJ stent	Urology
882	Cystoscopy, with or without biopsy, including stress testing for female stress urinary incontinence or male post prostatectomy incontinence (I.P.)	Urology
896	Change of cystostomy tube (I.P.)	Urology
898	Percutaneous suprapubic cystostomy (I.P.)	Urology
936	Percutaneous tract formation for renal stone removal by another consultant (I.P.)	Urology
1015	Urethral dilatation (I.P.)	Urology
1029	Complex uroflowmetry (using calibrated electronic equipment); for evaluation of bladder outlet obstruction and uncomplicated urge incontinence with or without ultrasound, with post void residual ultrasound screening (including counselling and clinical direction)	Urology
1031	Complex cystometrogram using calibrated electronic equipment and urethral pressure profile studies (minimum of 2 fills), with measurement of post-voiding residual urine by ultrasound	Urology
1250	Arterial biopsy (temporal artery, biopsy, bilateral under local anaesthetic)	Vascular Surgery

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1416	Thrombin injection into groin for pseudoaneurysm (including ultrasound guidance)	Vascular Surgery
1455	Sclerosing operation on varicose vein(s), one leg (I.P.)	Vascular Surgery
1460	Sclerosing operation on varicose veins, both legs (I.P.)	Vascular Surgery
1466	Reoperation, femoral-popliteal or femoral (popliteal)- anterior tibial, posterior tibial, peroneal artery or other distal vessels (payable in full with code for main procedure)	Vascular Surgery
1500	Venous pressure and blood volume studies	Vascular Surgery
1502	Ligation of single varicose vein in thigh or calf (I.P.)	Vascular Surgery
1526	Stab avulsion of varicose vein(s), one leg (I.P.)	Vascular Surgery
1527	Stab avulsion of varicose vein(s), both legs (I.P.)	Vascular Surgery
4504	Nipple - areola tattooing performed by a consultant (one or more visits)	Reconstructive Surgery
4920	Fracture of nose, digital closed reduction	Reconstructive Surgery
4938	Excision of benign or malignant lesion(s), any area; adjacent tissue transfer or rearrangement, where there is the requirement for quilting or mattress sutures for effective closure	Reconstructive Surgery
4983	Botox for hyperhydrosis (I.P.)	Reconstructive Surgery
1576	Basal cell carcinoma/ squamous cell carcinoma/ non melanoma, excision and graft or local flap	Skin & Subcutaneous
1551	Malignant melanoma, wide excisional biopsy with flap or graft repair	Skin & Subcutaneous
4963	Excision of lesion including scalp rotation flap (I.P.)	Reconstructive Surgery
4964	Excision of lesion including cheek rotation flap (I.P.)	Reconstructive Surgery
4966	Excision of lesion including cervicofacial rotation flap (I.P.)	Reconstructive Surgery
4967	Excision of lesion including forehead flap (I.P.)	Reconstructive Surgery
4539	Secondary closure of wound or dehiscence, as a result of burn, includes excision of granulation and scar tissue; suturing in several layers, extensive site (I.P.)	Reconstructive Surgery

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