

Radiology

Schedule of Benefits for Professional Fees

ANAI	ANAESTHESIA						
Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules				
192201	General anaesthesia for diagnostic scans, for child under the age of 2	No	Supporting documentation required				
192203	General anaesthesia for diagnostic scans, for adults	No	Supporting documentation required				

BR	BRACHYTHERAPY - RASI					
Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Indicators	Payment Rules		
5995	Transrectal ultrasound for detailed prostate tumour and prostate volume estimation includes modelling and planning for 3-D template guidance for stage two procedure - Radiologist benefit	No				
5996	Transrectal and fluoroscopic guidance during second stage procedure of placement of radioactive seeds in prostate includes accurate calibration for template guidance; benefit includes follow-up CT pelvic examination - Radiologist benefit	No				

BREAS	Т		
Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules
62317011	Breast cancer - where mammogram and/ or ultrasound are negative for pathology but there continues to be a high index of clinical suspicion (e.g. in persons with inherited BRCA1 and BRCA2 mutations) - with contrast	No	

COM	COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY					
Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules			
6097	CT Head and Neck with Contrast	No				
6098	CT Head and Neck	No				
6099	CT angiography, with contrast material(s), all sections including image post processing, pulmonary	No				
6101	CT angiography, without contrast material(s), all sections including image post processing, pulmonary	No				
6102	CT Brain, without contrast	No	Codes 6104, 6106, 6107 and 6108 are not payable with 6102 or 6103, if done at the same time			
6103	CT Brain, with contrast	No	Codes 6104, 6106, 6107 and 6108 are not payable with 6102 or 6103, if done at the same time			
6104	CT Orbit, sella or outer, middle, or inner ear; without contrast	No	Codes 6104, 6106, 6107 and 6108 are not payable with 6102 or 6103, if done at the same time			
6106	CT Orbit, sella or outer, middle, or inner ear; with contrast	No	Codes 6104, 6106, 6107 and 6108 are not payable with 6102 or 6103, if done at the same time			
6107	CT Maxillofacial area, without contrast	No	Codes 6104, 6106, 6107 and 6108 are not payable with 6102 or 6103, if done at the same time			
6108	CT Maxillofacial area, with contrast	No	Codes 6104, 6106, 6107 and 6108 are not payable with 6102 or 6103, if done at the same time			

СОМ	COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY					
Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules			
6109	CT Thorax, without contrast	No				
6111	CT scanning for biopsy or drainage	No				
6112	CT Thorax, with contrast	No				
6113	CT high resolution, Lungs, without contrast	No				
6114	CT Abdomen and pelvis, without contrast	No	Code 6114 is not payable with 6116, if done at the same time			
6116	CT Abdomen and pelvis, with contrast	No	Code 6114 is not payable with 6116, if done at the same time			
6123	CT Colonography	No				
6124	Ablation therapy for reduction or eradication of one or more pulmonary tumour(s) under CT guidance, including pleura or chest wall when involved by tumour extension, percutaneous, radiofrequency (benefit for CT guidance included) (I.P.)	No				
6222	Computed tomographic (CT) coronary angiography, with or without contrast material(s), all sections, including image post processing	No				
6224	Spine	No				
6226	Long bones	No				
6227	Joints	No				
6228	Spine	No				
6229	Feet/ hands	No				
6117	IV dynamic 4D sequential scanning, with contrast	No				
6118	IV dynamic 4D non-incremental scanning, with contrast	No				

CON	CONSULTATION & REPORTING							
Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules					
1417	Angiography	No	This is an additional fee is payable at 100% for procedure codes 1419, 1421, 1422, 1423 and 1424 when angiography is performed only during the procedure. This benefit is additional to the endovascular procedure benefit for the treating consultant and thus not chargeable by treating (main) consultant, who may charge the relevant code of 1419, 1421, 1422, 1423 or 1424					
7034	Imaging supervision, interpretation and report for injection procedures during cardiac catheterisation; ventricular and/or atrial angiography. Encapsulates all guidance for the procedure including plain films	No						
7700	PET CT professional fee	Yes	Receipt of invoice from SVRG. Payable to SVRG only					

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FLU	FLUOROSCOPIC GUIDANCE						
Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules				
7843	Transcervical fallopian tube recanalisation under fluoroscopic guidance, unilateral or bilateral	No					
770401	Repositioning of a nasogastric feeding tube into the jejunum under fluoroscopic guidance	No	Not claimable with procedure code 7036				
770402	Conversion of a gastrostomy feeding tube to a gastrojejunostomy feeding tube under fluoroscopic guidance	No	Not claimable with procedure code 7036				
770403	Replacement of a gastrojejunostomy feeding tube under fluoroscopic guidance	No	Not claimable with procedure code 7036				

INTE	NTERVENTIONAL RADIOLOGY						
Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules				
1196	Stereotactic localisation core needle biopsy of breast (I.P.)	No					
1197	Pre-operative placement of needle localisation wire, breast, one or more lesions	No	This benefit is payable in addition to the surgery, at a separate operative session, for lesion(s) removal				
6675	Angiogram (direct puncture, single vessel study, brachial, femoral) includes introduction of needles or catheter injection of contrast media and necessary pre and post injection care specifically related to the injection procedure	No					
6676	Placement of fiducial markers for radiation therapy guidance of prostate (via needle, any approach), single or multiple includes ultrasound guidance	No					
6680	Angiogram (selective catheter, single or multiple vessel study, coeliac, mesenteric, renal etc.), includes introduction of needle or catheter injection of contrast media and necessary pre and post injection care related to the injection procedure	No					
6681	Single selective carotid angiography and/or vertebral study	No					
6682	Bilateral carotid angiography study	No					
6683	Bilateral carotid angiography and vertebral study	No					
6686	Biopsy of focal lesion in the liver, kidney, pancreas or spleen including embolisation (e.g. Gelfoam), if performed	No					
6687	Biopsy of focal lesion, under CT guidance, in the liver, kidney, pancreas or spleen including embolisation (e.g. gelfoam), if performed	No					
6688	Radiofrequency ablation of liver tumour(s) including embolisation (e.g. gelfoam), if performed	No					
6691	Radiofrequency ablation of renal tumour(s) including embolisation (e.g. gelfoam), if performed	No					
6692	Biopsy of lymph nodes, deep, under CT guidance	No					

INTE	INTERVENTIONAL RADIOLOGY						
Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules				
6706	Hepatic needle puncture/ catheterisation for biliary procedures	No					
6721	Spinal arteriogram	No					
6730	Venous sampling, adrenal, parathyroid, renal, etc.	No					
6740	Venography (selective, catheter, single vessel study and/or venous sampling, I.V.C., S.V.C., adrenal, renal, hepatic)	No					
6741	Transcatheter permanent occlusion or embolisation, percutaneous, any method non-central nervous system, head or neck (extracranial, brachiocephalic branch)	No	Includes angiographic evaluation before, during and immediately after the procedure, at the same session, following a full assessment of the patient in a multidisciplinary team, which involves one or more consultants in the following specialities: Dermatology, Plastic Surgery, Haematology and Interventional Radiology				
6742	Transcatheter permanent occlusion or embolisation (e.g. for tumour destruction, to achieve haemostasis, to occlude a vascular malformation), percutaneous, any method non-central nervous system, non head or neck (extracranial, brachiocephalic branch) following a full assessment involving a consultant in one or more disciplines of Plastic Surgery, Dermatology, Haematology and Interventional Radiology	No	Includes angiographic evaluation before, during and immediately after the procedure, at the same session, following a full assessment of the patient in a multidisciplinary team, which involves one or more consultants in the following specialities: Dermatology, Plastic Surgery, Haematology and Interventional Radiology				
6743	Image-guided percutaneous core needle biopsy, including consultant Radiologist interpretation and report (ultrasound or stereotactic localisation) (I.P.)	No					
6985	Hysterosalpingogram	No	When this code is the primary/ only reason for hospital admission, the code defaults to an outpatient procedure and the member will need to pay and reclaim under the radiology benefit				
7000	Myelogram	No					
7005	Myelogram (direct lateral puncture, thoracic or cervical)	No					
7010	Needle biopsy (trans-thoracic, bone, abdominal)	No					
7072	Nerve block for pain control, peripheral joints, under image guidance and confirmed by contrast injection (I.P.)	No					
7073	Nerve block for pain control, spinal region, under image guidance and confirmed by contrast injection (I.P.)	No					
66684	Uterine artery embolisation for fibroids including angiography and fluoroscopy (I.P.)	No	Conditions of payment for code 66684: (a) The Radiologist who performs the procedure must have specialised embolisation experience or undergone appropriate training and be registered with Irish Life Health Healthcare (b) All cases of uterine artery embolisation must be performed in a hospital listed in the Irish Life Health Directory of hospitals, by a consultant radiologist (c) Benefit will not be made in the following circumstances: (i) Where there is any evidence of current or recent infection in the genital tract (ii) When a patient is unwilling to consent to hysterectomy if the embolisation procedure is complicated (iii) If the above criteria are not satisfied in full.				
66744	Completed radiological examination and evaluation including imaging (mammography and/ or ultrasound), and immediate image-guided percutaneous core needle biopsy; where performed on same day by a consultant Radiologist (I.P.)	No					
306895	Ultrasound guidance during investigations or therapeutic procedure	No	Rheumatologist benefit only - cannot be charged with codes 4332, 4333, 4334. If performed with codes 4332, 4333 or 4334 - then refer to codes 304332, 304333 or 304334 respectively				
558710	Cognitive fusion targeted prostate biopsy when performed by a Consultant Radiologist where it is performed in addition to biopsy of prostate (TRUS)	Yes					

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Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules			
570611	Cordocentesis (intrauterine), with ultrasound guidance	No				
601051	Percutaneous ultrasound guided fine needle aspiration of the neck, salivary gland (parotid or submandibular) of thyroid (I.P.)	No				
745510	Vacuum Assisted Excision (VAE) of B3 breast lesion under ultrasound guidance	No				
745511	Vacuum Assisted Excision (VAE) of B3 breast lesion under stereotactic guidance	No				
745513	Stereotactic placement of breast marker clip	No				
745514	Breast tomosynthesis	No				
745515	Image guided complete aspiration of abscess following mammographic and/ or ultrasound evaluation	No				
745516	Image guided percutaneous aspiration of a breast cyst following completed radiological examination including mammographic and ultrasound (I.P.)	No				
745517	Image guided percutaneous aspiration of a breast cyst following radiological examination including ultrasound (I.P.)	No				
770050	Exercise myocardial perfusion SPECT scan	No				
770051	Regadenoson myocardial perfusion Spect scan or equivalent pharmacologic stress agent	No				
770070	Ureteric stent removal	No				
770071	Ureteric dilation	No				
770072	Sphincterotomy (I.P.)	No				
770073	AV fistula creation	No				
770074	Fiducial marker placement liver - other visceral organ	No				
770501	Microwave ablation of liver lesion(s)	No				
770717	Biopsies, prostate, needle, transperineal, stereotactic template guided saturation sampling, including image guidance under general anaesthetic	No				
772376	Hysterocontrast sonography (HyCoSy)	No				

IR MA	AGSEED PLACEMENT		
Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules
771197	Preoperative placement of Magseed for locating impalpable breast cancer lesions on day of surgery	No	This procedure will be paid at 100% rate, when performed even if on date of surgery

MAGNETIC RESONANCE ANGIOGRAPHY Pre-Approval Payment Rules Code Description Required Cardiac MRI with or without contrast enhancement No 6233 Breast biopsy with the use of MRI to guide localisation of breast lesion(s) which cannot be visualised with mammography or ultrasonography (I.P.) No 62300001 Tumour of the brain or meninges No 62300011 Skull base or orbital tumour No 62300021 Acoustic neuroma No Pituitary tumour - in the case of females with elevated prolactin levels, MRI benefit is only allowable following repeated testing and exclusion of the MRI benefit is only allowable following repeated testing and exclusion of the presence of macro 62300031 No presence of macro prolactin and there continues to be significant hyperprolactinaemia prolactin and there continues to be significant hyperprolactinaemia. 62300041 Inflammation of the brain or meninges No Encephalopathy No 62300051 Encephalitis No 62300061 62300071 Suspect leukodystrophies No ENT problems – following consultation with a radiologist No 62300081 Demyelinating disease of the brain 62300091 No Congenital malformation of brain or meninges 62300101 No 62300111 Venous sinus thrombosis No Screening of intracranial aneurysm in the following high risk individuals - positive family history, defined as 2 or more first degree relatives with 62300121 No subarachnoid haemorrhages Screening of intracranial aneurysm in the following high risk individuals - patients with polycystic kidney disease No 62300131 62300141 Epilepsy No 62300151 Stroke No Post-operative follow-up after brain surgery No 62300161 For further investigation and monitoring (no contrast) of severe headaches – exclude aneurysm 62300171 No 62300191 Vertebral dissection No MRI: suspected intra-orbital or visual pathway lesions 62300301 No 62300311 MRI: dysthyroid eye disease No 62300321 MRI: diplopia No

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Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules				
62300401	Tumour of the CNS or meninges	No					
62300411	Inflammation of the CNS or meninges	No					
62300421	Demyelinating disease	No					
62300431	Spinal cord compression (acute)	No					
62300441	Congenital malformations of the spinal cord, cauda equina or meninges	No					
62300451	Syrinx – congenital or acquired	No					
62300461	Myelopathy	No					
62300471	Absent or reduced sensation on clinical examination	No					
62300481	Absent or reduced reflexes	No					
62300491	Muscle wasting	No					
62300501	Severe intractable arm pain where symptoms have been present for more than 6 weeks	No					
62300511	Cervical/ thoracic or lumbar radicular pain persisting for greater than 6 weeks when decompression surgery is being considered following referral by a consultant	No					
62300521	Axial neck pain/ thoracic back pain/ axial lumbar spine pain, persisting for greater then 3 months following referral by a consultant	No					
62300531	Reduced power on physical examination	No					
62300541	Previous spinal surgery	No					
62300551	Trauma	No					
62300561	Spinal disease in pregnancy	No					
62300571	Tumour of the CNS or meninges (whole spine)	No					
62300581	Inflammation of the CNS or meninges (whole spine)	No					
62300591	Demyelinating disease (whole spine)	No					
62300601	Acute spinal cord compression (whole spine)	No					
62300611	Congenital malformations of the spinal cord, cauda equina or meninges (whole spine)	No					
62300621	Syrinx – congenital or acquired (whole spine)	No					
62300631	Myelopathy (whole spine)	No					

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Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules		
62300641	Absent or reduced sensation on clinical examination (whole spine)	No			
62300651	Absent or reduced reflexes (whole spine)	No			
62300661	Muscle wasting (whole spine)	No			
62300671	Severe intractable arm pain where symptoms have been present for more than 6 weeks (whole spine)	No			
62300681	Radicular pain persisting for greater than 6 weeks when decompression surgery is being considered following referral by a consultant (whole spine)	No			
62300691	Axial spine pain, persisting for greater then 3 months following referral by a consultant (whole spine)	No			
62300701	Reduced power on physical examination (whole spine)	No			
62300711	For further investigation and monitoring (no contrast) of cervical radiculopathy with neurological signs	No			
62300721	For further investigation and monitoring (no contrast) of thoracic radiculopathy with neurological signs	No			
62300731	For further investigation and monitoring (no contrast) of lumbar radiculopathy with neurological signs	No			
62300741	For further investigation and monitoring (no contrast) of spinal canal stenosis	No			
62300751	Previous spinal surgery (whole spine)	No			
62300761	Trauma (whole spine)	No			
62300771	For further investigation and monitoring (no contrast) of cervical spine – severe neck pain	No			
62300781	For further investigation and monitoring (no contrast) of thoracic spine – severe thoracic pain	No			
62300791	For further investigation and monitoring (no contrast) of lumbar spine – severe low back pain	No			
62300901	Spinal disease in pregnancy (whole spine)	No			
62301001	MRI: tumour arising in bone or other connective tissue	No			
62301011	MRI: infection arising in bone or other connective tissue	No			
62301021	MRI: osteonecrosis	No			
62301031	MRI: sacro-iliac joints in the following circumstances: (a) suspicion of the presence of ankylosing spondylitis and (b) patients have negative or inconclusive plan radiography films of the sacro-iliac joints and (c) patients are HLA B27 positive	No			
62301033	For exclusion, further investigation and monitoring (no contrast media) of hand	No			
62301034	For exclusion, further investigation and monitoring (no contrast media) of other MSK not specified	No			
62301101	MRI: slipped upper femoral epiphysis	No			

MAGN	MAGNETIC RESONANCE ANGIOGRAPHY				
Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules		
62301111	MRI: post inflammatory or post traumatic epiphyseal fusion in a person under 16 years of age	No			
62301121	MRI: complex cases of juvenile dermatomyositis	No			
62301131	MRI: Gaucher's disease	No			
62301151	MRI: juvenile dermatomyositis by guiding biopsy	No			
62301161	MRI: for exclusion, further investigation and monitoring of derangement of one or both hips and supporting structures	No			
62301171	MRI: for exclusion, further investigation and monitoring of derangement of one knee and supporting structures	No			
62301181	MRI: for exclusion, further investigation and monitoring of derangement of both knees and supporting structures	No			
62301201	MRI cardiovascular system: congenital heart disease	No			
62301211	MRI cardiovascular system: tumour of the heart or a major vessel	No			
62301221	MRI cardiovascular system: aortic dissection/ aneurysm	No			
62301231	MRI cardiovascular system: abnormality of thoracic aorta	No			
62301241	MRI cardiovascular system: post-operative aortic graft infection or dehiscence	No			
62301311	MRI abdomen: characterisation of equivocal liver lesions identified in ultrasound or CT	No			
62301321	MRI abdomen: assessment of liver lesions in patients with known malignant disease for potential liver resection	No			
62301331	MRI abdomen: staging of abdominal masses where CT is inconclusive	No			
62301341	Pre-procedure planning for uterine artery embolisation of uterine fibroids - adenomyosis	No			
62301351	MRI abdomen: staging of gynaecologic malignancies (endometrial, cervical and ovarian)	No			
62301361	MRI abdomen: staging of rectal cancer	No			
62301371	MRI abdomen: post-operative recurrence of rectal cancer following CT and if tissue remains	No			
62301381	MRI abdomen: staging of bladder cancer	No			
62301391	MRI abdomen: detection of small pancreatic tumours not visible by CT, only if negative high resolution triphasic CT scan of pancreas	No			
62301401	MRI abdomen: assessment of fistulae/ abscesses/ strictures in patients with established Crohn's disease following discussion with a multi-disciplinary team	No			
62301501	Perineal abscess	No			
62301511	Perineal fistula	No			

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Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules		
62301531	Assessment of the inferior vena cava in patients with known solid renal tumour	No			
62301561	MR urography in pregnancy	No			
62301601	Magnetic Resonance Cholangiopancreatography (MRCP): pancreatic and biliary disease where conventional methodology has failed and ERCP is considered undesirable	No			
62301711	Magnetic Resonance Angiography (MRA) (no contrast media) for exclusion or further investigation of carotid and vertebro-basilar disease	No			
62301721	Magnetic Resonance Angiography (MRA) (no contrast media) for exclusion or further investigation of carotid or vertebral artery dissection	No			
62301901	For investigation of transient ischaemic episodes (no contrast media), only following an inconclusive ultrasound (Note diagnostic use is not covered)	No			
62302001	Investigation of intermittent claudication or critical limb ischemia (no contrast media)	No			
62302101	Investigation of patients with hypertension (no contrast media)	No			
62302201	Investigation of patients with suspected mesenteric angina, only following an inconclusive ultrasound (Note diagnostic use is not covered) (no contrast media)	No			
62302301	Investigation of patients with transient ischaemic episodes/ CVA or upper limb ischaemia (no contrast media)	No			
62302311	Investigation of patients with aneurysms, dissection, arteriovenous fistulae or coarctation (no contrast media)	No			
62302401	Magnetic Resonance Venography (MRV) (no contrast media) for exclusion or further investigation of patients with suspected stenosis or occlusion of central veins.	No			
62302411	Magnetic Resonance Venography (MRV) (no contrast media) for exclusion or further investigation of patients with suspected thrombus in IVC or iliac veins, only following an inconclusive ultrasound	No			
62302421	Magnetic Resonance Venography (MRV) (no contrast media) for exclusion or further investigation of patients with venous anomalies	No			
62302501	Malignant soft tissue tumours for diagnosis and staging	No			
62302521	Congenital uterine or anorectal abnormality	No			
62302601	Bone metastases due to primary cancer	No			
62302611	Investigation of polymyalgia, if pathology suggests diagnosis	No			
62302621	Investigation of infiltrating marrow disorders	No			
62307001	Breast cancer - where mammogram and/ or ultrasound are negative for pathology but there continues to be a high index of clinical suspicion (e.g. in persons with inherited BRCA1 and BRCA2 mutations)	No			
62307011	MRI: one ankle - benefit payable for scanning of derangement of ankle and supporting structures only	No			
62307021	MRI: both ankles - benefit payable for scanning of derangement of ankles and supporting structures only	No			

MAGN	MAGNETIC RESONANCE ANGIOGRAPHY				
Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules		
62307031	MRI: one foot (excludes hind foot)	No			
62307041	MRI: both feet (excludes hind feet)	No			
62307051	MRI: suspected tarsal coalition	No			
62307061	MRI: soft tissue tumours in the feet	No			
62307071	MRI: posterior tibial nerve compression in the presence of persistent symptoms and signs and failure to respond to at least 6 weeks of appropriate therapy	No			
62307081	MRI: one shoulder and supporting structures; benefit payable for scanning of derangement of shoulder and supporting structures only	No			
62307091	MRI: both shoulders and supporting structures; benefit payable for scanning of derangement of shoulders and supporting structures only	No			
62307101	MRI: one elbow and supporting structures; benefit payable for scanning of derangement of elbow and supporting structures only	No			
62307111	MRI: both elbows and supporting structures; benefit payable for scanning of derangement of elbows and supporting structures only	No			
62307121	MRI: one wrist and supporting structures; benefit payable for scanning of derangement of wrist and supporting structures only	No			
62307131	MRI: both wrists and supporting structures; benefit payable for scanning of derangement of wrists and supporting structures only	No			
62307141	MRI abdomen: post surgical MRI following uterine artery embolisation for fibroids	No			
62307151	MRI abdomen: further investigation of adrenal masses identified on CT scanning	No			
62307161	MRI abdomen: further investigation of complex/ indeterminable/ solid renal parenchymal masses	No			
62307171	MRI abdomen: placenta accreta/ percreta	No			
62307191	MR enterography/ enteroclysis: to assess disease activity in patients with Crohn's disease of the small bowel	No			
62307201	MR enterography/ enteroclysis: to exclude Crohn's disease in patients with chronic abdominal pain, diarrhoea and weight loss when the referral for MRI is made by a consultant Gastroenterologist or surgeon with an interest in gastrointestinal disease	No			
62307221	Breast: for pre-operative evaluation of patients with invasive lobular carcinoma or with multi-focal or multi-centric disease	No			
62307241	Breast: to rule out intra-capsular implant rupture following assessment by a breast or plastic surgeon, where breast ultrasound is equivocal or non-diagnostic	No			
62307251	Staging of prostate cancer	No			
62307255	Multi parametric MRI scan of the prostate and pelvis	No			
62310001	Tumour of the brain or meninges including use of contrast media	No			
62310011	Skull base or orbital tumour including use of contrast media	No			

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Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules		
62310021	Acoustic neuroma including use of contrast media	No			
62310031	Pituitary tumour - in the case of females with elevated prolactin levels, MRI benefit is only allowable following repeated testing and exclusion of the presence of macro prolactin and there continues to be significant hyperprolactinaemia with contrast	No			
62310041	Inflammation of the brain or meninges with contrast	No			
62310051	Encephalopathy with contrast	No			
62310061	Encephalitis with contrast	No			
62310071	Suspect leukodystrophies with contrast	No			
62310081	ENT problems with contrast – following consultation with a radiologist	No			
62310091	Demyelinating disease of the brain with contrast	No			
62310101	Congenital malformation of brain or meninges with contrast	No			
62310111	Venous sinus thrombosis with contrast	No			
62310112	MRI with contrast injection into cavity, space or potential under IR	No			
62310121	Screening of intracranial aneurysm in the following high risk individuals - positive family history, defined as 2 or more first degree relatives with subarachnoid haemorrhages with contrast	No			
62310131	Screening of intracranial aneurysm in the following high risk individuals - patients with polycystic kidney disease with contrast	No			
62310141	Epilepsy with contrast	No			
62310151	Stroke with contrast	No			
62310161	Post-operative follow-up after brain surgery with contrast	No			
62310171	For further investigation and monitoring (with contrast media) of severe headaches – exclude aneurysm - with contrast	No			
62310191	Vertebral dissection - with contrast	No			
62310301	MRI: suspected intra-orbital or visual pathway lesions - with contrast	No			
62310311	MRI: dysthyroid eye disease - with contrast	No			
62310321	MRI: diplopia - with contrast	No			
62310401	Tumour of the CNS or meninges - with contrast	No			
62310411	Inflammation of the CNS or meninges - with contrast	No			
62310421	Demyelinating disease - with contrast	No			

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62310431	Spinal cord compression (acute) - with contrast	No			
62310441	Congenital malformations of the spinal cord, cauda equina or meninges - with contrast	No			
62310451	Syrinx – congenital or acquired - with contrast	No			
62310461	Myelopathy - with contrast	No			
62310471	Absent or reduced sensation on clinical examination - with contrast	No			
62310481	Absent or reduced reflexes - with contrast	No			
62310491	Muscle wasting - with contrast	No			
62310501	Severe intractable arm pain where symptoms have been present for more than 6 weeks - with contrast	No			
62310511	Cervical/thoracic or lumbar radicular pain persisting for greater than 6 weeks when decompression surgery is being considered following referral by a consultant - with contrast	No			
62310521	Axial neck pain/ thoracic back pain/ axial lumbar spine pain, persisting for greater then 3 months following referral by a consultant - with contrast	No			
62310531	Reduced power on physical examination - with contrast	No			
62310541	Previous spinal surgery - with contrast	No			
62310551	Trauma - with contrast	No			
62310561	Spinal disease in pregnancy - with contrast	No			
62310571	Tumour of the CNS or meninges (whole spine) - with contrast	No			
62310581	Inflammation of the CNS or meninges (whole spine) - with contrast	No			
62310591	Demyelinating disease (whole spine) - with contrast	No			
62310601	Acute spinal cord compression (whole spine) - with contrast	No			
62310611	Congenital malformations of the spinal cord, cauda equina or meninges (whole spine) - with contrast	No			
62310621	Syrinx – congenital or acquired (whole spine) - with contrast	No			
62310631	Myelopathy (whole spine) - with contrast	No			
62310641	Absent or reduced sensation on clinical examination (whole spine) - with contrast	No			
62310651	Absent or reduced reflexes (whole spine) - with contrast	No			
62310661	Muscle wasting (whole spine) - with contrast	No			
62310671	Severe intractable arm pain where symptoms have been present for more than 6 weeks (whole spine) - with contrast	No			

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Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules		
62310681	Radicular pain persisting for greater than 6 weeks when decompression surgery is being considered following referral by a consultant (whole spine) - with contrast	No			
62310691	Axial spine pain, persisting for greater then 3 months following referral by a consultant (whole spine) - with contrast	No			
62310701	Reduced power on physical examination (whole spine) - with contrast	No			
62310711	For further investigation and monitoring (with contrast media) of cervical radiculopathy with neurological signs - with contrast	No			
62310721	For further investigation and monitoring (with contrast media) of thoracic radiculopathy with neurological signs - with contrast	No			
62310731	For further investigation and monitoring (with contrast media) of lumbar radiculopathy with neurological signs	No			
62310741	For further investigation and monitoring (with contrast media) of spinal canal stenosis - with contrast	No			
62310751	Previous spinal surgery (whole spine) - with contrast	No			
62310761	Trauma (whole spine) - with contrast	No			
62310771	For further investigation and monitoring (with contrast media) of cervical spine – severe neck pain	No			
62310781	For further investigation and monitoring (with contrast media) of thoracic spine – severe thoracic pain	No			
62310791	For further investigation and monitoring (with contrast media) of lumbar spine – severe low back pain	No			
62310901	Spinal disease in pregnancy (whole spine) - with contrast	No			
62311001	MRI: tumour arising in bone or other connective tissue - with contrast	No			
62311011	MRI: infection arising in bone or other connective tissue - with contrast	No			
62311021	MRI: osteonecrosis - with contrast	No			
62311031	MRI: sacro-iliac joints in the following circumstances; (a) suspicion of the presence of ankylosing spondylitis and (b) patients have negative or inconclusive plan radiography films of the sacro-iliac joints and (c) patients are HLA B27 positive - with contrast	No			
62311033	For exclusion, further investigation and monitoring (with contrast media) of hand - with contrast	No			
62311034	For exclusion, further investigation and monitoring (with contrast media) of other MSK not specified - with contrast	No			
62311101	MRI: slipped upper femoral epiphysis with contrast	No			
62311121	MRI: complex cases of juvenile dermatomyositis - with contrast	No			
62311131	MRI: Gaucher's disease - with contrast	No			
62311151	MRI: juvenile dermatomyositis by guiding biopsy - with contrast	No			
62311161	MRI: for exclusion, further investigation and monitoring of derangement of one or both hips and supporting structures - with contrast	No			

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62311171	MRI: for exclusion, further investigation and monitoring of derangement of one knee and supporting structures - with contrast	No				
62311181	MRI: for exclusion, further investigation and monitoring of derangement of both knees and supporting structures - with contrast	No				
62311201	MRI cardiovascular system: congenital heart disease - with contrast	No				
62311211	MRI cardiovascular system: tumour of the heart or a great vessel - with contrast	No				
62311221	MRI cardiovascular system: aortic dissection/ aneurysm - with contrast	No				
62311231	MRI cardiovascular system: abnormality of thoracic aorta - with contrast	No				
62311241	MRI cardiovascular system: post operative aortic graft infection or dehiscence - with contrast	No				
62311311	MRI abdomen: characterisation of equivocal liver lesions identified in ultrasound or CT - with contrast	No				
62311321	MRI abdomen: assessment of liver lesions in patients with known malignant disease for potential liver resection - with contrast	No				
62311331	MRI abdomen: staging of abdominal masses where CT is inconclusive - with contrast	No				
62311341	Pre-procedure planning for uterine artery embolisation of uterine fibroids - adenomyosis	No				
62311351	MRI abdomen: staging of gynaecologic malignancies (endometrial, cervical and ovarian) - with contrast	No				
62311361	MRI abdomen: staging of rectal cancer - with contrast	No				
62311371	MRI abdomen: post-operative recurrence of rectal cancer following CT and if tissue remains	No				
62311381	MRI abdomen: staging of bladder cancer - with contrast	No				
62311391	MRI abdomen: detection of small pancreatic tumours not visible by CT, only if negative high resolution triphasic CT scan of pancreas - with contrast	No				
62311401	MRI abdomen: assessment of fistulae/ abscesses/ strictures in patients with established Crohn's disease following discussion with a multi-disciplinary team - with contrast	No				
62311501	Perineal abscess - with contrast	No				
62311511	Perineal fistula - with contrast	No				
62311531	Assessment of the inferior vena cava in patients with known solid renal tumour - with contrast	No				
62311601	Magnetic Resonance Cholangiopancreatography (MRCP): pancreatic and biliary disease where conventional methodology has failed and ERCP is considered undesirable - with contrast	No				
62311701	Magnetic Resonance Angiography (MRA) (with contrast media) for exclusion or further investigation of stroke	No				
62311711	Magnetic Resonance Angiography (MRA) (with contrast media) for exclusion or further investigation of carotid and vertebro-basilar disease	No				

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62311721	Magnetic Resonance Angiography (MRA) (with contrast media) for exclusion or further investigation of carotid or vertebral artery dissection - with contrast	No			
62311901	For investigation of transient ischaemic episodes (with contrast media), only following an inconclusive ultrasound (Note diagnostic use is not covered) - with contrast	No			
62312001	Investigation of intermittent claudication or critical limb ischemia (with contrast media)	No			
62312101	Investigation of patients with hypertension (with contrast media) - with contrast	No			
62312201	Investigation of patients with suspected mesenteric angina, only following an inconclusive ultrasound (Note diagnostic use is not covered) (with contrast media) - with contrast	No			
62312301	Investigation of patients with transient ischaemic episodes/ CVA or upper limb ishaemia (with contrast media) - with contrast	No			
62312311	Investigation of patients with aneurysms, dissection, arteriovenous fistulae or coarctation (with contrast media) - with contrast	No			
62312401	Magnetic Resonance Venography (MRV) (with contrast media) for exclusion or further investigation of patients with suspected stenosis or occlusion of central veins - with contrast	No			
62312411	Magnetic Resonance Venography (MRV) (with contrast media) for exclusion or further investigation of patients with suspected thrombus in IVC or iliac veins, only following an inconclusive ultrasound - with contrast	No			
62312421	Magnetic Resonance Venography (MRV) (with contrast media) for exclusion or further investigation of patients with venous anomalies - with contrast	No			
62312501	Malignant soft tissue tumours for diagnosis and staging - with contrast	No			
62312521	Congenital uterine or anorectal abnormality - with contrast	No			
62312601	Bone metastases due to primary cancer - with contrast	No			
62312611	Investigation of polymyalgia, if pathology suggests diagnosis - with contrast	No			
62312621	Investigation of infiltrating marrow disorders - with contrast	No			
62317001	MRI: one ankle - benefit payable for scanning of derangement of ankle and supporting structures only - with contrast	No			
62317031	MRI: one foot (excludes hind foot) - with contrast	No			
62317041	MRI: both feet (excludes hind feet) - with contrast	No			
62317051	MRI: suspected tarsal coalition - with contrast	No			
62317061	MRI: soft tissue tumours in the feet - with contrast	No			
62317071	MRI: posterior tibial nerve compression in the presence of persistent symptoms and signs and failure to respond to at least 6 weeks of appropriate therapy with contrast	No			

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MAGNE	MAGNETIC RESONANCE UROGRAPHY				
Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules		
62301551	MR urography (MRU) in patients with urographic contrast allergy	No			
62311551	MR urography (MRU) in patients with urographic contrast allergy - with contrast	No			
62311561	MR urography in pregnancy - with contrast	No			

NUC	NUCLEAR MEDICINE				
Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules		
6235	Abdominal scan (Meckel's)	No			
6240	White blood cell scan (WBC)	No			
6270	Limited joint scan	No			
6275	Multiple joint scan	No			
6295	Whole body bone scan	No			
6300	3-Phase bone scan	No			
6305	SPECT (Tomo) bone scan	No			
6310	Static brain	No			
6315	Dynamic brain scan	No			
6320	SPECT brain (CBF, Ceretec, ECD, blood pool, DAT Scan)	No			
6325	Static - planar cysternogram	No			
6330	SPECT cysternogram	No			
6340	Gallium scan	No			
6345	Gastric emptying	No			
6350	G.I. bleed	No			
6365	Blood pool scan (MUGA)	No			
6395	SPECT anti-myosin scan	No			
6410	Whole body iodine scan	No			
6415	Renogram	No			

NUCLEAR MEDICINE Code Description Pre-Approval Required Payment Rules Combined renogram/ GFR No Diuretic renogram No DMSA renal scan No 6435 Micturating cystogram No SPECT DMSA renal scan No Colloid liver scan No 6455 HIDA liver scan No SPECT liver scan No Hepatic (liver) blood flow No 6465 Lung perfusion scan No 6480 Lung ventilation scan No SPECT lung scan No 6490 6495 Ventilation/ perfusion lung scan No Lymphoscintigram No Sentinel node(s) (scintigraphy) No No 6505 Marrow scan Monoclonal antibody scan - static No MIBG scan No Parathyroid scan No 6530 SPECT parathyroid scan, dual phase No Platelet scan No 6545 Spleen scan No 6550 Testicular scan No Technetium scan of thyroid No 6560 lodine scan of thyroid No

NUC	NUCLEAR MEDICINE					
Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules			
6567	Bile salt breath test	No				
6573	Red cell survival	No				
770052	Salivary nuclear scan	No				
770053	Bile salt absorption (SeHCAT) test	No				
770054	Thyroid uptake -131 uptake	No				
770055	Thyroid therapy I-131 therapy	No				
770098	Combined bone scan SPECT/CT	No				
770099	Tc99m DOD Scan with Spect for cardiac amyloid	No				

PAEDIATRIC							
Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules				
6223	CT scanogram of lower limbs (paediatric)	No					
6234	Paediatric cardiac magnetic resonance imaging, for congenital cardiac anomalies in infants and children under 16 years of age, including detailed segmental analysis, functional assessment of ventricular function, phase contrast quantification of great vessel AV valve outflow tract flow, ventricular volumes, angiography, three dimensional image reconstruction, tissue tagging and delayed gadolinium enhancement of myocardium, including imaging acquisition, post-processing of volume and flow data report of MRI MRA.	No					
6850	Paediatric cranial	No					
6896	Paediatric spine (child of six months or younger)	No					
6897	Duplex scan of soft tissue (paediatric)	No					
6898	Duplex scan of veins in neck and chest (paediatric)	No					
6991	Videofluoroscopy feeding study (paediatric)	No					
62301251	MRI cardiovascular system: for further investigation, in persons under the age of 16 years, of the vasculature of limbs prior to limb or digit transfer surgery in congenital limb deficiency syndrome	No					
62307173	MRI for paediatric investigations	No					
62307181	MR enterography/ enteroclysis: exclusion of Crohn's disease in patients less than 18 years following review by a paediatrician	No					
62311111	MRI: post inflammatory or post traumatic epiphyseal fusion in a person under 16 years of age - with contrast	No					
62311251	MRI cardiovascular system: for further investigation, in persons under the age of 16 years, of the vasculature of limbs prior to limb or digit transfer surgery in congenital limb deficiency syndrome - with contrast	No					
62317173	MRI for paediatric investigations - with contrast	No					
62317181	MR enterography/ enteroclysis: exclusion of Crohn's disease in patients less than 18 years following review by a paediatrician - with contrast	No					

ULTRASOUND Pre-Approval Payment Rules Description Code Required Only one claimable per site (e.g. for lower extremity arteries or veins, one or both legs - only one payment applies. Where code 5940 is Duplex ultrasound scan, unilateral or bilateral No performed on an out-patient basis the professional fee will be direct settled As this is an out-patient only procedure there should NOT be a technical fee Any technical fee incurred is only recoverable as an out-patient radiology expense subject to members policy benefits 6805 Biliary No No 6810 Breast Chest No 6811 Duplex scan of extracranial or intracranial arteries; unilateral or bilateral study No 6813 Duplex scan of lower extremity arteries or arterial bypass grafts; unilateral or bilateral study No Duplex scan of upper extremity arteries or bypass grafts; unilateral or bilateral study No Duplex scan of extremity veins including response to compression and other manoeuvres; unilateral or bilateral 6816 No Duplex scan of arterial inflow and venous outflow of abdominal, pelvic, scrotal contents and/or retroperitoneal No organs; complete study Duplex scan of aorta, inferior vena cava, iliac vasculature, or bypass grafts; complete study No Duplex scan of the extremity veins in patients with a diagnosis of cancer, where symptoms are suggestive of 6819 No deep vein thrombosis 6835 Eye No 6840 Hip No 6841 No Knee No 6844 Foot Obstetrical No Obstetrical (with full foetal assessment) 6846 No 6855 Pelvis No Pleural space (for localisation) No Prostate, transrectal No 6860 Renal (kidneys) No Shoulder No Testicular No 6875 Transvaginal No

ULTRASOUND						
Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules			
6890	Complete abdominal ultrasound	No				
6895	Ultrasound guidance during investigations or therapeutic procedure	No	Radiologist benefit only			
745512	Ultrasound guided placement of breast marker clip	No				
770060	Ultrasound performed and interpretation performed personally by consultant radiologist for the assessment of suspicion of a thyroid lesion, where an FNA is considered unnecessary (I.P.)	No				
770601	Parotid gland ultrasound	No				

X-RA	X-RAY							
Code	Description	Pre-Approval Required	Payment Rules					
6000	Plain film, abdomen	No						
6001	Plain film abdomen complete, including decubitus and/ or erect views	No						
6005	Barium enema	No						
6010	Barium enema, double contrast	No						
6011	Barium enema, therapeutic for reduction of intussusception	No						
6015	Barium meal and/ or swallow - single contrast	No						
6020	Barium meal and follow through or small bowel study	No						
6030	Barium swallow and meal - double contrast	No						
6045	Screening diaphragm	No						
6066	Defaecating proctogram	No						
6070	T-tube cholangiogram	No						
6078	Chest, PA, lateral and apical including ribs	No						
6090	Larynx	No						
6095	Sternum and chest	No						
6100	Thoracic inlet	No						

X-RAY Description Code Pre-Approval Required Payment Rules Ankle 6115 No Ankle, complete, minimum of three views including inversion/ eversion 6119 No No 6120 Bone age Acromioclavicular joints, bilateral, with or without weight distraction No Knee, complete, including oblique(s), and tunnel, and/or patellar and/or standing views No Calcaneus No 6125 6130 Clavicle No 6135 Elbow No No 6140 Femur No 6145 Finger/ toe 6150 Foot No Hand No 6155 6165 Humerus No No 6170 Knee 6175 Limb length/ orthopaedic measurement No 6180 Pelvis (incl. hips) No Radius and ulna No 6190 Sacro-iliac joints No No 6195 Scaphoid Scapula No 6200 6205 Scoliosis series No 6210 Shoulder No Sternoclavicular joint No Tibia and fibula 6220 No

X-RAY Description Code Pre-Approval Required Payment Rules Wrist 6225 No 6580 Abdomen No No 6585 Pelvimetry Facial bones No 6590 Foramina optic No Mandible No 6605 6610 Mastoid No 6620 Nasal bones No Nasal sinuses No 6625 6630 Orbital views No Parotid gland No 6645 Skull No Temporomandibular joint 6650 No Foreign body in eye and localisation No 6655 6660 Mammogram No X-ray neck; for foreign body in trachea or oesophagus or acute infection (e.g. epiglottitis) No Radiological examination, surgical specimen No 6685 Aortogram (arch/TLA, etc.) No No 6690 Cavernosogram Facet arthrogram (single level) No 6705 6710 Portogram No No Splenoportogram Venogram, peripheral, single limb No 6745 Cervical No

X-RAY Description Code Pre-Approval Required Payment Rules 6750 Соссух No Complete spine No Dorsal (thoracic) No 6760 Lumbar No 6765 6770 Sacrum No Scoliosis views No Skeletal survey No Occlusal (intra-oral) 6785 No Pantomogram No 6790 Tooth, single No Thyroid 6885 No Cystogram No 6905 6910 Intravenous pyelogram No Micturating cystogram No Straight renal tract (kidneys, ureters, bladder) 6920 No 6925 Urethrogram No Vesiculogram No 6950 Antegrade pyelogram No Arthrogram No 6955 No Bronchogram 6970 Dacrocystogram No No 6975 Discogram Nephrostogram 7011 No 7020 Percutaneous transhepatic cholangiogram No

X-RAY Code Description Pre-Approval Required Payment Rules Pre-operative cholangiogram No Radiological guidance during investigations or therapeutic procedure (use code 7034 for cardiology procedures). Encapsulates all guidance for the procedure including plain films No Radiological guidance for mammographic wire guided biopsy 7037 No Payable to radiologist only Retrograde pyelogram No Sialogram, parotid No Sialogram, submandibular No Sinogram (injection of sinus tract, diagnostic) No 7055 Tomograms (+ area films) No Ventriculogram No 7070 Insertion of contrast materials to interspinous lumbar space to localise disc level prior to surgery under fluoroscopy with or without PA and lateral lumbar spine radiographs with or without review of CT No and MRI scans followed by radiological guidance during the spinal surgery procedure