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2024 coding update: cardiac catheter ablation

There is only one coding change impacting cardiac catheter ablation procedures in CY24.

- A new ICD-10-PCS code, 02583ZF¹, has been created to specify irreversible electroporation (IRE), also known as pulsed field ablation (PFA), in cardiac catheter ablation from other ablation modalities in the inpatient setting.
- The new ICD-10-PCS code for irreversible electroporation in cardiac ablation is effective for inpatient discharges on or after April 01, 2024.
- Providers should continue to use the current code, 02583ZZ², to report any and all
 cardiac catheter ablations in the inpatient setting until the new code is effective.
- Once effective, the new ICD-10-PCS code for irreversible electroporation in cardiac ablation should only be reported for procedures that utilize an IRE/PFA technology.
- Procedures that utilize radiofrequency or cryoablation technologies should continue to be reported with ICD-10-PCS 02583ZZ.

ICD-10 procedure code ^{1,2}	Description	Effective Dates		
Percutaneous cardiac catheter ablation procedures				
02583ZZ	Destruction of conduction mechanism, percutaneous approach	Use this code to report any and all cardiac catheter ablations until April 01,2024. After April 01, 2024, continue to use this code to report any and all cardiac catheter ablations not utilizing IRE/PFA.		
02583ZF	Destruction of conduction mechanism using irreversible electroporation, percutaneous approach	This code will be effective for inpatient discharges on or after April 01,2024. Do not report this code until on or after the effective date.		

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Destruction of conduction

mechanism, percutaneous

approach

For inpatient discharges from January 1, 2024 - March 31, 2024						
ICD-10 procedure code ²	Description	Medicare Severity Diagnosis Related Groups (MS-DRG) ³				
Percutaneous cardiac catheter ablation procedures						
		273	274			

Percutaneous and

other intracardiac

procedures with

MCC

Percutaneous and

other intracardiac

procedures without

MCC

For inpatient discharges on or after April 1, 2024						
ICD-10 procedure code ^{1,2}	Description	Medicare Severity Diagnosis Related Groups (MS-DRG) ³				
Percutaneous cardiac catheter ablation procedures						
02583ZZ	Destruction of conduction mechanism, percutaneous approach	273 Percutaneous and	274 Percutaneous and other intracardiac procedures without MCC			
02583ZF	Destruction of conduction mechanism using irreversible electroporation, percutaneous approach	other intracardiac procedures with MCC				

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Frequently asked questions

- 1. Why was a new ICD-10-PCS code created for cardiac catheter ablation procedures utilizing irreversible electroporation?
 - The new ICD-10-PCS code specific to inpatient cardiac catheter ablation procedures utilizing an irreversible electroporation or pulsed field ablation technology was created to potentially operationalize Medicare incremental payment programs like the New Technology Add-on Payment program (NTAP) and to enhance the ability for robust claims analysis and outcomes research.
- 2. Will ICD-10-PCS 02583ZF map to the same Medicare Severity Diagnosis Related Groups (MS-DRG) as the existing codes for inpatient cardiac catheter ablations? Yes. The new ICD-10-PCS code will map to the same MS-DRGs (273, 274)³ as the existing ICD-10-PCS code for inpatient cardiac catheter ablation procedures.
- 3. Are there any changes to the CPT® codes for cardiac catheter ablation procedures in CY24?
 - No. There are no changes to the CPT® codes typically utilized to report cardiac catheter ablation procedures.⁴

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