

Service and Diagnosis Codes for Common Dermatologic Procedures

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CPT Code	Description	2022 Work RVUs	Fully Implemented Total Non-Facility RVUs	2022 National Medicare Non-Facility Price
17000	Destruction premalignant lesions (e.g., actinic keratoses); first lesion	0.61	1.99	\$68.87
+17003	Second through fourteenth lesions each (List separately in addition to code for first lesion)	0.04	0.20	\$6.92
17004	Destruction 15 or more lesions (Do not report 17004 in conjunction with 17000-17003)	1.37	5.00	\$173.03
17106	Destruction of cutaneous vascular proliferative; lesions less than 10 sq. cm	3.69	10.09	\$349.18
17107	10.0 to 50.0 sq. cm	4.79	13.15	\$455.07
17108	over 50.0 sq. cm	7.49	18.56	\$642.29
17110	Destruction of benign lesions other than skin tags or cutaneous vascular proliferative lesions; up to 14 lesions	0.70	3.37	\$116.62
17111	15 or more lesions	0.97	3.94	\$136.35
17250	Chemical cauterization of granulation tissue (proud flesh, sinus, or fistula)	0.50	2.68	\$92.75
17260	Destruction, malignant lesion trunk, arms, or legs; lesion diameter 0.5 cm or less	0.96	2.96	\$102.43
17261	lesion diameter 0.6 to 1.0 cm	1.22	4.38	\$151.57
17262	lesion diameter 1.1 to 2.0 cm	1.63	5.30	\$183.41
17263	lesion diameter 2.1 to 3.0 cm	1.84	5.73	\$198.29
17264	lesion diameter 3.1 to 4.0 cm	1.99	6.13	\$212.14
17266	lesion diameters over 4.0 cm	2.39	6.97	\$241.21
17270	Destruction, malignant lesion scalp, neck, hands, feet, genitalia; lesion diameter 0.5 cm or less	1.37	4.40	\$152.27
17271	lesion diameter 0.6 to 1.0 cm	1.54	4.91	\$169.92
17272	lesion diameter 1.1 to 2.0 cm	1.82	5.60	\$193.80
17273	lesion diameter 2.1 to 3.0 cm	2.10	6.19	\$214.21
17274	lesion diameter 3.1 to 4.0 cm	2.64	7.23	\$250.20
17276	lesion diameters over 4.0 cm	3.25	8.41	\$291.04
17280	Destruction, malignant lesion face, ears, eyelids, nose, lips, mucous membrane; lesion diameter 0.5 cm or less	1.22	4.14	\$143.27
17281	lesion diameter 0.6 to 1.0 cm	1.77	5.33	\$144.45
17282	lesion diameter 1.1 to 2.0 cm	2.09	6.09	\$210.75
17283	lesion diameter 2.1 to 3.0 cm	2.69	7.17	\$281.13
17284	lesion diameter 3.1 to 4.0 cm	3.20	8.17	\$282.73
17286	lesion diameters over 4.0 cm	4.48	10.45	\$361.64
54050	Destruction of lesion(s), penis, simple; chemical	1.29	4.19	\$145.00
54055	Electro desiccation	1.25	4.01	\$38.77
54056	Cryosurgery	1.29	4.21	\$15.69
54057	Laser surgery	1.29	4.18	\$44.65
54060	Surgical excision	1.98	5.81	\$201.06
54065	Destruction of lesion(s), penis, extensive	2.47	6.55	\$26.67

Paring or Cutting

(Codes 11050-11052 have been deleted. To report paring, see codes 11055-11057, or, to report destruction, see codes 17000-17004.)

11055 - paring or cutting of benign hyperkeratotic lesion (e.g., corn or callus); single lesion

11056 - 2 to 4 lesions

11057 - more than 4 lesions

(Codes 11060-11062 have been deleted. To report, see codes 11300-11313)

Biopsy

11100 - biopsy of skin, subcutaneous tissue and/or mucous membrane (including simple closure), unless otherwise listed (separate procedure); single lesion

+11101 - each separate additional lesion (list separately in addition to code for primary procedure)
(Use code 11101 in conjunction with code 11100)

(For biopsy of conjunctiva, use code 68100; eyelid, use code 67810)

Removal of Skin Tags

Removal by scissoring or any sharp method, ligature strangulation, electrosurgical destruction or combination of treatment modalities including chemical or electrocauterization of wound, with or without local anesthesia.

11200* - removal of skin tags, multiple fibrocuteaneous tags, any area; up to and including 15 lesions

+11201 - each additional 10 lesions (list separately in addition to code for primary procedure)
(Use code 11201 in conjunction with code 11200)

Shaving of Epidermal or Dermal Lesions

Shaving is the sharp removal by transverse incision or horizontal slicing to remove epidermal and dermal lesions without a full-thickness dermal excision. This includes local anesthesia, chemical or electrocauterization of the wound. The wound does not require suture closure.

11300* - shaving of epidermal or dermal lesion, single lesion, trunk, arms, or legs; lesion diameter 0.5 cm or less

11301 - lesion diameter 0.6 to 1.0 cm

11302 - lesion diameter 1.1 to 2.0 cm

11303 - lesion diameters over 2.0 cm

11305* - shaving of epidermal or dermal lesion, single lesion, scalp, neck, hands, feet, genitalia; lesion diameter 0.5 cm or less

11306 - lesion diameter 0.6 to 1.0 cm

11307 - lesion diameter 1.1 to 2.0 cm

11308 - lesion diameters over 2.0 cm

11310* shaving of epidermal or dermal lesion, single lesion, face, ears, eyelids, nose, lips, mucous membrane: lesion diameter 0.5 cm or less

11311 - lesion diameter 0.6 to 1.0 cm

11312 - lesion diameter 1.1 to 2.0 cm

11313 - lesion diameters over 2.0 cm

Excision - Benign Lesions

Excision (including simple closure) of benign lesions of skin or subcutaneous tissues (i.e., cicatricial, fibrous, inflammatory, congenital, cystic lesions), including local anesthesia. See appropriate size and area below.

Excision is defined as full-thickness (through the dermis) removal of the following lesions and includes simple (nonlayered) closure. The closure of defects created by incision, excision, or trauma may require intermediate (layered) closure. Layered closure involves dermal closure with separate suture closure of at least one of the deeper layers of subcutaneous and nonmuscle fascial tissues.

(For excision of lesions requiring more than simple closure [i.e., requiring intermediate, complex, or reconstructive closure], see codes 12031-12057, 13100-13160, 14000-14300, 15000-15261, 15570-15770)

11400 - excision, benign lesion, except skin tag (unless listed elsewhere), trunk, arms, or legs; lesion diameter 0.5 cm or less

11401 - lesion diameter 0.6 to 1.0 cm

11402 - lesion diameter 1.1 to 2.0 cm

11403 - lesion diameter 2.1 to 3.0 cm

11404 - lesion diameter 3.1 to 4.0 cm

11406 - lesion diameters over 4.0 cm

(For unusual or complicated excision, add modifier -22)

11420 - excision, benign lesion, except skin tag (unless listed elsewhere), scalp, neck, hands, feet, genitalia; lesion diameter 0.5 cm or less

11421 - lesion diameter 0.6 to 1.0 cm

11422 - lesion diameter 1.1 to 2.0 cm

11423 - lesion diameter 2.1 to 3.0 cm

11424 - lesion diameter 3.1 to 4.0 cm

11426 - lesion diameters over 4.0 cm

(For unusual or complicated excision, add modifier -22)

11440 - excision, other benign lesion (unless listed elsewhere), face, ears, eyelids, nose, lips, mucous membrane; lesion diameter 0.5 cm or less

11441 - lesion diameter 0.6 to 1.0 cm

11442 - lesion diameter 1.1 to 2.0 cm

11443 - lesion diameter 2.1 to 3.0 cm

11444 - lesion diameter 3.1 to 4.0 cm

11446 - lesion diameters over 4.0 cm

(For unusual or complicated excision, add modifier -22)

(For eyelids involving more than skin, see also 67800 et seq.)

11450 - excision of skin and subcutaneous tissue for hidradenitis, axillary; with simple or intermediate repair

11451 - with complex repair

11462 - excision of skin and subcutaneous tissue for hidradenitis, inguinal; with simple or intermediate repair

11463 - with complex repair

11470 - excision of skin and subcutaneous tissue for hidradenitis, perianal, perineal, or umbilical; with simple or intermediate repair

11471 - with complex repair

(When skin graft or flap is used for closure, use appropriate procedure code in addition)

(For bilateral procedure, add modifier -50)

Excision - Malignant Lesions

Excision (including simple closure) of malignant lesion of skin or subcutaneous tissues including local anesthesia, each lesion. For removal of malignant lesions of skin by *any* method other than excision, as defined here, see destruction codes 17000-17999.

Excision is defined as full-thickness (through the dermis) removal of the following lesions and includes simple (nonlayered) closure. The closure of defects created by incision, excision, or trauma may require intermediate (layered) closure. Layered closure involves dermal closure with separate suture closure of at least one of the deeper layers of subcutaneous and nonmuscle fascial tissues.

(For excision of lesions requiring more than simple closure [i.e., requiring intermediate, complex, or reconstructive closure], see codes 12031-12057, 13100-13160, 14000-14300, 15000-15261, 15570-15770)

11600 - excision, malignant lesion, trunk, arms, or leg; lesion diameter 0.5 cm or less

11601 - lesion diameter 0.6 to 1.0 cm

11602 - lesion diameter 1.1 to 2.0 cm

11603 - lesion diameter 2.1 to 3.0 cm

11604 - lesion diameter 3.1 to 4.0 cm

11606 - lesion diameters over 4.0 cm

11620 - excision, malignant lesion, scalp, neck, hands, feet, genitalia; lesion diameter 0.5 cm or less

11621 - lesion diameter 0.6 to 1.0 cm

11622 - lesion diameter 1.1 to 2.0 cm

11623 - lesion diameter 2.1 to 3.0 cm

11624 - lesion diameter 3.1 to 4.0 cm

11626 - lesion diameters over 4.0 cm

11640 - excision, malignant lesion, face, ears, eyelids, nose, lips; lesion diameter 0.5 cm or less

11641 - lesion diameter 0.6 to 1.0 cm

11642 - lesion diameter 1.1 to 2.0 cm

11643 - lesion diameter 2.1 to 3.0 cm

11644 - lesion diameter 3.1 to 4.0 cm

11646 - lesion diameters over 4.0 cm

(For eyelids involving more than skin, see also 67800 et seq.)

Destruction

Destruction means the ablation of benign, premalignant, or malignant tissues by any method (i.e., electro-surgery, cryosurgery, laser, and chemical treatment) with or without curettage, including local anesthesia, and not usually requiring closure.

Lesions include condylomata; papillomata; molluscum contagiosum herpetic lesions; warts (i.e., common, plantar, flat); milia; or other benign, premalignant (i.e., actinic keratoses) or malignant lesions.

(For destruction of lesion(s) in specific anatomic sites, see codes 40820, 46900-46917, 46924, 54050-54057, 54065, 56501, 56515, 57061, 57065, 67850, 68135)

(For paring or cutting of benign hyperkeratotic lesions [i.e., corns and calluses], see codes 11055-11057)

(For sharp removal or electro-surgical destruction of skin tags and fibrocutaneous tags, see codes 11200 and 11201)

(For cryotherapy of acne, use code 17340)

(For initiation or follow-up care of topical chemotherapy [i.e., 5-FU or similar agents], see appropriate office visits)

(For shaving of epidermal or dermal lesions, see codes 11300-11313)

Destruction - Benign or Premalignant Lesions

17000* - destruction by any method, including laser, with or without surgical curettage, all benign or premalignant lesions (i.e., actinic keratoses) other than skin tags or cutaneous vascular proliferative lesions, including local anesthesia; first lesion

(Codes 17001 and 17002 have been deleted. To report, see codes 17003 and 17004.)

+17003 - Second through fourteenth lesions, each (list separately in addition to code for first lesion)
(Use code 17003 in conjunction with code 17000)

17004 - destruction by any method, including laser, with or without surgical curettage, all benign or premalignant lesions (i.e., actinic keratoses) other than skin tags or cutaneous vascular proliferative lesions, including local anesthesia; 15 or more lesions

(Do not report code 17004 in conjunction with codes 17000-17003)

(Code 17010 has been deleted. To report, see specific anatomic site code.)

(Codes 17100-17105 have been deleted. To report, see codes 17000, 17003, 17004.)

+ Add-on code

* Service includes surgical procedure only

ICD-10-CM Codes for Common Dermatologic Disorders

Atopic dermatitis	L20.9
Contact dermatitis	L23.9
Seborrheic dermatitis	L21.9
Seborrheic keratosis	L82.1
Seborrheic keratosis(inflamed)	L82.0
Actinic keratosis	L57.0
Psoriasis, unspecified	L40.9
Epidermoid cyst	L72.0
Sebaceous cyst	L72.3
Acne, unspecified	L70.9
Skin tag	L91.8
Hemangioma	018.00
Viral wart, unspecified	B07.9
Benign lesion, lip	D23.0
Benign lesion, face	D23.30
Benign lesion, neck	D23.4
Benign lesion, trunk	D23.5
Benign lesion, leg	D23.70
Benign lesion, penis	D29.0
Benign lesion, scrotum	D29.4
Benign lesion, anus	D12.9
Hydrocele, unspecified	N43.3
Ulcer of penis	N48.5
Condyloma accuminata	A63.0
Molluscum contagiosum	B08.1
Squamous cell carcinoma of the skin, unspecified	C44.92
Basal cell carcinoma of the skin, unspecified	C44.91
Malignant melanoma of the skin, unspecified	C43.9