

2023 Cellvizio® Optical Endomicroscopy Reimbursement Fact Sheet

The Optical Endomicroscopy (OE) procedure enables a physician to use Cellvizio® to obtain real-time cellular information *in vivo* during an endoscopy procedure through the use of a dedicated probe^(*).

OE procedures in the esophagus or upper gastrointestinal tract are reported with the American Medical Association (AMA) established CPT® codes 43206 and/or 43252. Other OE procedures are reported by using unlisted codes for specific clinical indications. OE procedures, when performed, are reported as separate and distinct procedures from the endoscopy procedure performed.

| CPT® Code | Current Procedural Terminology (CPT®) Description | Physician Services | | | Hospital Outpatient Department (OPPS) | | Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) | |
|----------------------------------|---|--------------------|--|-----------------|---|---|---------------------------------|---|
| | | RVU | Relative Value Unit (RVU) & Payment ^{a,b} | | Ambulatory Payment Classification (APC) | Medicare National Average Payment (facility) ^c | Payment Indicator | Medicare National Average Payment (facility) ^d |
| | | Work | Total Non-Facility (Office) | Total Facility | | | | |
| ESOPHAGOSCOPY | | | | | | | | |
| 43202 | Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with biopsy, single or multiple | 1.72 | 10.78 = \$356.39 | 3.03 = \$100.17 | 5302 | \$1741.59 | A2 | \$752.52 |
| 43206 ^e | Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with optical endomicroscopy | 2.29 | 9.09 = \$300.52 | 3.90 = \$128.93 | 5302 | \$1741.59 | G2 | \$752.52 |
| 43211 | Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with endoscopic mucosal resection | 4.20 | NA | 6.89 = \$227.78 | 5302 | \$1741.59 | G2 | \$752.52 |
| 43229 | Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with ablation of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) (includes pre- and post-dilation and guide wire passage, when performed) | 3.49 | 21.45 = \$709.14 | 5.77 = \$190.76 | 5303 | \$3260.69 | J8 | \$2289.72 |
| ESOPHAGOGASTRODUODENOSCOPY (EGD) | | | | | | | | |
| 43238 | EGD, flexible, transoral; with transendoscopic ultrasound-guided intramural or transmural fine needle aspiration/biopsy(s), (includes endoscopic ultrasound examination limited to the esophagus, stomach or duodenum, and adjacent structures) | 4.16 | NA | 6.80 = \$224.81 | 5302 | \$1741.59 | A2 | \$752.52 |
| 43239 | EGD, flexible, transoral; with biopsy, single or multiple | 2.39 | 11.34 = \$374.90 | 4.06 = \$134.22 | 5301 | \$825.51 | A2 | \$429.83 |
| 43242 | EGD, flexible, transoral; with transendoscopic ultrasound-guided intramural or transmural fine-needle aspiration/biopsy(s), (includes endoscopic ultrasound examination of the esophagus, stomach, and either the duodenum or a surgically altered stomach where the jejunum is examined distal to the anastomosis) | 4.73 | NA | 7.71 = \$254.89 | 5302 | \$1741.59 | A2 | \$752.52 |
| 43252 ^{f,g} | EGD, flexible, transoral; with optical endomicroscopy | 2.96 | 10.16 = \$335.89 | 4.93 = \$162.99 | 5303 | \$3260.69 | G2 | \$1501.39 |
| 43254 | EGD, flexible, transoral; with endoscopic mucosal resection | 4.87 | NA | 7.91 = \$261.50 | 5302 | \$1741.59 | G2 | \$752.52 |

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| 43270 | EGD, flexible, transoral; with ablation of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) (includes pre- and post-dilation and guide wire passage, when performed) | 4.01 | 22.02 = \$727.98 | 6.57 = \$217.20 | 5302 | \$1741.59 | J8 | \$975.43 |
| OTHER PROCEDURES | | | | | | | | |
| 0397T ^h | Endoscopic retrograde cholangio-pancreatography, with optical endomicroscopy | 0 | 0 | Carrier-priced | - | - | N1 | - |
| 31899 | Airways surgical procedure (trachea and bronchi) | 0 | 0 | Carrier-priced | 5151 | \$178.75 | - | - |
| 44799 | Unlisted procedure, small intestine | 0 | 0 | Carrier-priced | 5301 | \$825.51 | - | - |
| 45399 | Unlisted procedure, colon | 0 | 0 | Carrier-priced | 5311 | \$831.04 | - | - |
| 88375 ⁱ | Optical endomicroscopic image(s), interpretation and report, real-time or referred, each endoscopic session | 0.91 | 1.40 = \$46.28 | 1.40 = \$46.28 | - | - | - | - |

^a The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) issued the Calendar Year (CY) 2023 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (PFS) final rule that updates payment policies, payment rates, and other provisions for services (effective on or after January 1, 2023). The final rule went on display at the Office of the Federal Register's Public Inspection Desk on November 2, 2022. Refer to item [CMS-1770-F] at: <https://www.cms.gov/medicare/medicare-fee-service-payment/physicianfeeschedpfs-federal-regulation-notices/cms-1770-f>

^b The 2023 National Average Medicare physician payment rates have been calculated using a conversion factor of \$33.06.

^{c,d} CMS also issued the CY 2023 OPPS/ASC final rule and related files that update Medicare payment rates, quality reporting programs, and policies. More information is available at the CMS website link here: <https://www.cms.gov/medicare/medicare-fee-service-payment/hospitaloutpatientppshospital-outpatient-regulations-and-notices/cms-1772-fc> and <https://www.cms.gov/medicare/medicare-fee-service-payment/ascpaymentasc-regulations-and-notices/cms-1772-fc> To review in full, download the final rule [CMS-1772-FC] from the Federal Register.

^e Do not report 43206 in conjunction with 43197, 43198, 43200, 88375.

^f Do not report 43252 in conjunction with 43197, 43198, 43235, 44360, 44361, 44363, 44364, 44365, 44366, 44369, 44370, 44372, 44373, 44376, 44377, 44378, 44379, 88375.

^g Endoscopic ultrasound with optical endomicroscopy and fine needle aspiration of a pancreatic cyst is reported using code 43252. For further details, please read the 2016 CPT® Coding Update published by the American College of Gastroenterology (ACG), American Gastroenterological Association (AGA) and American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ASGE) at <https://www.asge.org/docs/default-source/default-document-library/cpt-gi-coding-update-201634e67d641d27683997ebff000074820c.pdf>

^h List separately in addition to code for primary procedure. Do not report 0397T in conjunction with 88375.

ⁱ Do not report 88375 in conjunction with 43206, 43252, 0397T. This CPT® code cannot be reported by the same physician who codes for the endoscopy with OE. It provides a code for reporting the pathology service when one is required to assist in the procedure.

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