

2021 EP MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) have issued final rules for the 2021 Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System, Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment System and the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule. The following tables of codes are frequently used by facilities and physicians when reporting EP procedures.

CY 2021 Hospital Outpatient Payment

APC	DESCRIPTION	2020 NATIONAL AVERAGE PAYMENT ¹	2021 NATIONAL AVERAGE PAYMENT ²	PERCENT CHANGE IN PAYMENT
5213	Level 3 Electrophysiologic Procedures	\$20,435	\$21,464	+5.04%

FY 2021 Hospital Inpatient Payment

MS-DRG	DESCRIPTION	2020 NATIONAL AVERAGE PAYMENT ⁵	2021 NATIONAL AVERAGE PAYMENT ⁶	PERCENT CHANGE IN PAYMENT
273	Percutaneous and Other Intracardiac Procedures with MCC	\$23,223	\$24,664	+6.2%
274	Percutaneous and Other Intracardiac Procedures without MCC	\$19,777	\$21,117	+6.8%

*MCC: major complications or comorbidities.

CY 2021 Physician Payment

CPT® Code	SHORT DESCRIPTOR	2020 NATIONAL AVERAGE PAYMENT ³	2021 NATIONAL AVERAGE PAYMENT ⁴	PERCENT CHANGE IN PAYMENT
+93613	Intracardiac EP 3D mapping	\$311	\$303	-2.9%
93623	Programmed stimulation with IV drug	\$166	\$130	-21.6%
93653	Comprehensive EP study + SVT ablation	\$877	\$853	-2.7%
93654	Comprehensive EP study + VT ablation + 3D mapping + Ventricular pacing and recording	\$1,174	\$1,141	-2.8%
+93655	Ablation of a discrete mechanism of arrhythmia which is distinct from the primary ablated mechanism	\$447	\$434	-2.9%
93656	Comprehensive EP study + AFib ablation by PVI + transseptal puncture + left atrial pacing and recording	\$1,177	\$1,145	-2.7%
+93657	Additional linear of focal ablation of left or right atrium for AFib remaining after PVI	\$447	\$434	-2.9%
93662	Intracardiac ECG (ICE)	\$147	\$115	-21.8%

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Sources

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