

## AMA 2012 CPT® Coding Changes for IPM

Please read each description carefully as descriptions have been revised and the **text in red represents new text**.

- ◆ New codes for radiofrequency have been assigned with fluoroscopy bundled and have changed from per nerve to per joint.
- ◆ Discography, epidural, and fluoroscopy are bundled for disc decompression
- ◆ Fluoroscopy is bundled for SI joints.

Only the pertinent changes for interventional pain management are described here.

CPT	NEW DESCRIPTION
22520	Percutaneous vertebroplasty (bone biopsy included when performed), 1 vertebral body, unilateral or bilateral injection; Thoracic
22521	Percutaneous vertebroplasty (bone biopsy included when performed), 1 vertebral body, unilateral or bilateral injection; Lumbar
22522	Each additional thoracic or lumbar vertebral body (list separately in addition to code for primary procedure) <b>Do not report 22520-22522 in conjunction with 20225, 22310-22315, 22325, 22537 when performed at the same levels as 22520-22522)</b>  (Use 22522 in conjunction with 22520, 22521 as appropriate)  (For radiological supervision and interpretation, see 72291, 72292)
22523	Percutaneous vertebral augmentation, including cavity creation (fracture reduction and bone biopsy included when performed) using mechanical device, 1 vertebral body, unilateral or bilateral cannulation (eg, kyphoplasty); thoracic
22524	Percutaneous vertebral augmentation, including cavity creation (fracture reduction and bone biopsy included when performed) using mechanical device, 1 vertebral body, unilateral or bilateral cannulation (eg, kyphoplasty); Lumbar
22525	Each additional thoracic or lumbar vertebral body (list separately in addition to code for primary procedure) <b>Do not report 22523-22525 in conjunction with 20225, 22310-22315, 22325, 22537 when performed at the same levels as 22523-22525)</b> (Use 22525 in conjunction with 22523, 22524 as appropriate)  (For radiological supervision and interpretation, see 72291, 72292)

22526	Percutaneous intradiscal electrothermal annuloplasty, unilateral or bilateral including fluoroscopic guidance; single level
22527	<p>1 or more additional levels (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure) (Use 22527 in conjunction with 22526)</p> <p>(Do not report codes 22526, 22527 in conjunction with 77002, 77003)</p> <p>(For percutaneous intradiscal annuloplasty using method other than electrothermal, use 22899)</p>
27096	<p>Injection procedure for sacroiliac joint, anesthetic/steroid, with image guidance (fluoroscopy or CT) including arthrography when performed</p> <p>(27096 is to be used only with CT or fluoroscopic imaging confirmation of intra-articular needle position)</p> <p>(If CT or fluoroscopic imaging is not performed, use 20552)</p> <p>(Code 27096 is a unilateral procedure. For a bilateral procedure, use modifier 50.)</p>
<p>Fluoroscopy (for localizations) may be used in the placement of injections reported with 62310-62319, but is not required. If used, fluoroscopy should be reported with 77003. For epidurography, use 72275.</p> <p>The placement and use of a catheter to administer one of more epidural or subarachnoid injections on a single calendar day should be reported in the manner as if a needle has been used, ie, as a single injection using either 62310 or 62311. Such injections should not be reported with 62318 or 62319.</p>	
62287	<p>Decompression procedure, percutaneous, of nucleus pulposus of intervertebral disc, any method utilizing needle based technique to remove disc material under fluoroscopic imaging or other form of indirect visualization, with the use of an endoscope, with discography and/or epidural injections(s) at the treated levels(s), when performed, single or multiple levels, lumbar (This includes endoscopic approach)</p> <p>Do not report 62287 in conjunction with 62267, 62290, 62311, 77003, 77012, 72295, when performed at the same levels)</p> <p>(For non-needle based technique for percutaneous decompression of nucleus pulposus of intervertebral disc, see codes 0276T, 0277T)</p>
62310	<p>Injections(s) of diagnostic or therapeutic substance(s) (including anesthetic, antispasmodic, opioid, steroid, other solution) not including neurolytic substances, including needle or catheter placement, includes contrast for localization when performed, epidural or subarachnoid; cervical or thoracic</p>

62311	Injections(s) of diagnostic or therapeutic substance(s) (including anesthetic, antispasmodic, opioid, steroid, other solution) not including neurolytic substances, including needle or catheter placement, includes contrast for localization when performed, epidural or subarachnoid; Lumbar or sacral (caudal)
62318	Injection(s), including indwelling catheter placement continuous infusion or intermittent bolus, of diagnostic or therapeutic substance(s) (including anesthetic, antispasmodic, opioid, steroid, other solution) not including neurolytic substances, includes contrast for localization when performed, epidural or subarachnoid; cervical or thoracic
62319	Lumbar or sacral (caudal) (For transforaminal epidural injection, see 64479-64484)  (Report 01996 for daily hospital management of continuous epidural or subarachnoid drug administration in conjunction with 62318-62319)
62367	Electronic analysis of programmable, implanted pump for intrathecal or epidural drug infusion (includes evaluation of reservoir, alarm status, drug prescription status); without reprogramming or refill
62369	Electronic analysis of programmable, implanted pump for intrathecal or epidural drug infusion (includes evaluation of reservoir, alarm status, drug prescription status); With reprogramming and refill
62370	With reprogramming and refill (requiring physician's skill) <b>Do not report 62367-62370 in conjunction with 95990, 95991. For refilling and maintenance of a reservoir or an implantable infusion pump for spinal or brain drug delivery without reprogramming, see 95990, 95991)</b>
64561	Sacral nerve (transforaminal placement)
64565	Neuromuscular
64575	Incision for implantation of neurostimulator electrode array; peripheral nerve (excludes sacral nerve) <b>(64577 has been deleted)</b>
64580	Neuromuscular
64581	Sacral nerve (transforaminal placement)
64585	Revision or removal or peripheral neurostimulator electrode array
<b>Codes 64600-64681 include the injection of other therapeutic agents (eg, corticosteroids). Do not report diagnostic/therapeutic injections separately. (For therapeutic injections that not destructive of the target nerve [eg, pulsed radiofrequency], use 64999)</b>	
64620	Destruction by neurolytic agent, intercostal nerve <b>(64622-64627 have been deleted. For image guided neurolysis of facet joint nerve(s), see 64633-64636)</b>  <b>(Imaging guidance [fluoroscopy or CT] are inclusive components of 64633-64636)</b>  <b>(Image guidance [fluoroscopy, CT] and any injection of contrast are inclusive components of 64633-</b>

64636. Image guidance and localization are required for the performance of paravertebral facet joint nerve destruction by neurolytic agent described 64633-64636. If CT or fluoroscopic imaging is not used, report 64999)

(For paravertebral facet destruction by neurolysis of the T12-L1 joint, or nerves innervating that joint, use 64633)

<b>64633</b> New code	Destruction by neurolytic agent paravertebral facet joint nerve(s) (fluoroscopy or CT); Cervical or thoracic, single facet joint (For bilateral procedure, report 64633 with modifier 50)
<b>64634</b> New code	Cervical or thoracic, each additional facet joint (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure) (Use 64634 in conjunction with 64633)  (For bilateral procedure, report 64634 with modifier 50)
<b>64635</b> New code	Destruction by neurolytic agent paravertebral facet joint nerve(s) (fluoroscopy or CT); Lumbar or sacral, single facet joint (For bilateral procedure, report 64635 with modifier 50)
<b>64636</b> New code	Lumbar or sacral, each additional facet joint (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure) (Use 64636 in conjunction with 64635)  (For bilateral procedure, report 64636 with modifier 50)  Do not report 64333-64636 in conjunction with 77003, 77012)
64630	Destruction by neurolytic agent; pudendal nerve
64632	Plantar common digital nerve  (Do not report 64632 in conjunction with 64455)