Q1 HCPCS Level I and II Update (January 1, 2026)

Note: Please note that the general code descriptions included are provided to assist with interpreting and navigating the content; providers are responsible for referencing the appropriate codebooks for up-to-date full descriptions when considering which code is appropriate to bill for the services rendered.

Audiology

The following Audiology codes have special billing policies:

92628, 92629, 92631, 92632, 92634, 92635, 92636, 92637, 92638, 92639, 92641, 92642

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Suggested ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Codes: Z01.10, Z01.11

Modifiers SA, U7 and 99 are allowable.

Cardiology

The following Cardiology codes have special billing policies:

92930, 92945

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An approved *Treatment Authorization Request* (TAR) is required for reimbursement.

Modifiers SA, U7 and 99 are allowable.

Chemotherapy

The following Chemotherapy codes have special billing policies:

C9308, J9184, J9282

C9308

Carboplatin (KYXATA)

Age must be 18 years or older.

Modifiers SA, UD, U7 and 99 are allowable.

J9184

Gemcitabine hydrochloride (AVGEMSI)

Age must be 18 years or older.

Modifiers SA, UD, U7 and 99 are allowable.

J9282

Mitomycin

Age must be 18 years or older.

Modifiers SA, UD, U7 and 99 are allowable.

Evaluation and Management

The following Evaluation and Management codes have special billing policies:

99445, 99470

99445

Frequency of billing is equal to once a month.

Modifiers GT, SA, SB, U7, 24, 25 and 99 are allowable.

Presumptive Eligibility for Pregnant People.

Do not report with codes 99453 or 99454 for same provider.

99470

Frequency of billing is equal to once a month.

Modifiers GT, SA, SB, U7, 24, 25 and 99 are allowable.

Presumptive Eligibility for Pregnant People.

Do not report with codes 99457 or 99458 for same provider.

Injection

The following Injection codes have special billing policies:

C9307, J0162, J0654, J1737, J1837, J2516, J2596, J2711, J3291, J3376, J3379, J3387, J9256, J9326, Q5160

C9307

Linvoseltamab-gcpt injection (Lynozyfic)

Age must be 18 years or older.

Modifiers SA, UD, U7 and 99 are allowable.

J0162

Epinephrine

Modifiers SA, UD, U7 and 99 are allowable.

Presumptive Eligibility for Pregnant People.

J0654

Liothyronine sodium

Age must be 18 years or older.

Modifiers SA, UD, U7 and 99 are allowable.

J1737

Meloxicam injection (Xifyrm)

Age must be 18 years or old.

An approved TAR is required for reimbursement.

Modifiers SA, UD, U7, 99 are allowable.

J1837

Posaconazole

Age must be 2 years or older.

An approved TAR is required for reimbursement.

Modifiers SA, UD, U7 and 99 are allowable.

J2516

Pentamidine Isethionate

Modifiers SA, UD, U7 and 99 are allowable.

J2596

Vasopressin

Age must be 18 years or older.

Modifiers SA, UD, U7 and 99 are allowable.

J2711

Neostigmine methylsulfate and glycopyrrolate (PREVUDO)

Age must be 2 years or older.

An approved TAR is required for reimbursement.

Modifiers SA, UD, U7 and 99 are allowable.

J3291

Tranexamic acid in sodium chloride

Modifiers SA, UD, U7 and 99 are allowable.

Medicare non-covered service.

J3376

Vancomycin

Modifiers SA, UD, U7 and 99 are allowable.

J3379

Valproate sodium injection

Age must be 2 years or older.

Modifiers SA, UD, U7 and 99 are allowable.

J3387

Elivaldogene autotemcel (Skysona)

Sex restriction is male.

Age must be between 4 years old and 17 years old.

An approved TAR is required for reimbursement.

Frequency of billing is once in a lifetime.

Modifiers UD and 99 are allowable.

J9256

Nipocalimab-aahu (IMAAVY)

Age must be 12 years or older.

An approved TAR is required for reimbursement.

Modifiers SA, UD, U7 and 99 are allowable.

J9326

Telisotuzumab vedotin-tllv (Emrelis)

Age must be 18 years or older.

Modifiers SA, UD, U7 and 99 are allowable.

Q5160

Bevacizumab-nwgd (Jobevne)

Age must be 18 years or old.

An approved TAR is required for reimbursement.

Modifiers SA, UD, U7, 99 are allowable.

Mechanical Scalp Cooling

97007, 97008, 97009

Coverage is limited to Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved automated scalp cooling systems.

An approved TAR is required for reimbursement.

Scalp cooling is not approved for the following conditions

- Children under 18 years of age.
- Central nervous system tumor
- Malignancies that require radiation therapy to the skull
- Hematological malignancies including but not limited to leukemia, lymphoma, or multiple myeloma.
- Beneficiaries preparing for a bone marrow (stem cell) transplant
- Beneficiaries with a cold-agglutinin disease, cryoglobulinemia, or post-traumatic cold dystrophy
- Beneficiaries with solid tumors receiving continuous infusion chemotherapy great than or equal to 24 hours.

Modifiers SA, U7 and 99 are allowable.

Medical Device

The following Medical Device codes have special billing policies:

C9811, C9812, C9813, C9814, C9815, C9816, C9817

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Modifiers RR, SA, SC, U7 and 99 are allowable.

C9812, C9813

Modifiers NU, SA, SC, U7 and 99 are allowable.

C9814

Modifiers NU, SA, SC, U7, 55 and 99 are allowable.

Medicine

The following Medicine codes have special billing policies:

90482, 90483, 90484, 91124, 91125, 97007, 97008, 97009

90482, 90483, 90484

Modifiers SA, SB, U7 and 99 are allowable.

Presumptive Eligibility for Pregnant People.

91124, 91125

Modifiers SA, U7 and 99 are allowable.

Non-Injection

The following Non-Injection codes have special billing policies:

J0013, J1073, J3389, J7528

J0013

Esketamine Nasal Spray (Spravato®)

An approved TAR is required for reimbursement.

Age must be 18 years or older.

Modifiers SA, UD, U7 and 99 are allowable.

Medicare non-covered service.

J1073

Testosterone Pellet (TESTOPEL)

Sex restriction is male only.

Age must be 18 years or older.

An approved TAR is required for reimbursement.

Required ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Codes: E29.1, E29.8 or E29.9

Modifiers SA, UD, U7 and 99 are allowable.

J3389

Prademagene Zamikeracel (ZEVASKYN™)

Age must be 6 years or older.

An approved TAR is required for reimbursement.

Required ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Code: Q81.2

Frequency of billing is once in a lifetime.

Modifiers UD and 99 are allowable.

J7528

Mycophenolate mofetil for oral suspension

Modifiers SA, UD, U7 and 99 are allowable.

Non-Specialty Mental Health Services

The following Non-Specialty Mental Health Services codes have special billing policies:

G0568, G0569, G0570, G9871

G0568

Frequency of billing is yearly for the same provider. Allow TAR/SAR override.

Modifiers SA, U7 and 99 are allowable.

G0569

Frequency of billing is monthly for the same provider. Allow TAR/SAR override.

Modifiers SA, U7 and 99 are allowable.

G0570

Frequency of billing is weekly for the same provider. Allow TAR/SAR override.

Modifiers SA, U7 and 99 are allowable.

G9871

Frequency of billing is monthly for the same provider. Allow TAR/SAR override.

Modifiers SA, U7 and 99 are allowable.

Presumptive Eligibility for Pregnant People.

Pathology

The following Pathology codes have special billing policies:

87182, 87183, 87494, 87627, 87812

87182, 87183

Modifiers 33, 90 and 99 are allowable.

87494

Modifiers QW, 33, 90 and 99 are allowable.

Presumptive Eligibility for Pregnant People.

87627

An approved TAR is required for reimbursement.

Modifiers 33, 90 and 99 are allowable.

TAR requires documentation of one of the following criteria:

- There is a high clinical suspicion for joint infection caused by Kingella kingae and standalone amplified probe testing for Kingella kingae in synovial fluid is unavailable, or
- There is a high clinical suspicion for joint infection, and synovial fluid was previously tested by culture, and synovial fluid culture was negative

87812

Modifiers QW, 33, 90 and 99 are allowable.

Presumptive Eligibility for Pregnant People.

Proprietary Laboratory Analyses (PLA)

The following PLA codes have special billing policies:

0606U, 0610U

0606U

An approved TAR is required for reimbursement.

Frequency limit is once in a lifetime.

Modifiers 33, 90 and 99 are allowable.

0610U

Modifiers 33, 90 and 99 are allowable.

Radiology

The following Radiology codes have special billing policies:

C9176, 3269F, 70471, 70472, 70473, 75577, 77436, 77437, 77438, 77439

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Modifiers SA, U7 and 99 are allowable.

75577

An approved TAR is required for reimbursement.

Required ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Codes: I25.10, I25.110, I25.111, and I25.700.

Modifiers SA, U7 and 99 are allowable.

77436, 77437, 77438, 77439

Age must be 18 years or older.

Modifiers SA, U7 and 99 are allowable.

Skin Substitute

The following Skin Substitute codes have special billing policies:

Q4398, Q4399, Q4400, Q4401, Q4402, Q4403, Q4404, Q4405, Q4406, Q4407, Q4408, Q4409, Q4410, Q4411, Q4412, Q4413, Q4414, Q4415, Q4416, Q4417, Q4420, Q4431, Q4432, Q4433

Q4398, Q4399, Q4400, Q4401, Q4402, Q4403, Q4404, Q4405, Q4406, Q4407, Q4408, Q4409, Q4410, Q4411, Q4412, Q4413, Q4414, Q4415, Q4416, Q4417, Q4420, Q4431, Q4432, Q4433

An approved TAR is required for reimbursement.

Modifiers SA, U7 and 99 are allowable.

Surgery

The following Surgery codes have special billing policies:

0988T, 0989T, 0991T, 0994T, 0995T, 0996T, 1003T, 1021T, 37262, 43889, 47384, 52443, 52597, 55707, 55708, 55709, 55710, 55711, 55712, 55713, 55714, 55715, 55868, 55869, 55877, 62330, 62331, 63032, C7566

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An approved TAR is required for reimbursement.

Modifiers AG, ET, SC, UA, UB, 22, 47, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 62, 66, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80 and 99 are allowable.

Presumptive Eligibility for Pregnant People.

0991T, 0996T, 64567

An approved TAR is required for reimbursement.

Modifiers AG, ET, SC, UA, UB, 22, 47, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 62, 66, 76, 77, 78, 79 and 99 are allowable.

Presumptive Eligibility for Pregnant People.

52443, 52597, 55710, 55711, 55712, 55713, 55714, 55868, 55869, 55877

An approved TAR is required for reimbursement.

Modifiers AG, ET, SC, UA, UB, 22, 47, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 62, 66, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80 and 99 are allowable.

55707, 55708, 55709

An approved TAR is required for reimbursement.

Modifiers AG, ET, SC, UA, UB, 22, 47, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 62, 66, 76, 77, 78, 79 and 99 are allowable.

55715

An approved TAR is required for reimbursement.

Modifiers AG, ET, SC, 22, 47, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 62, 66, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80 and 99 are allowable.

C7566

An approved TAR is required for reimbursement.

Modifiers AG, ET, GC, LT, RT, SC, UA, UB, 22, 47, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 62, 66, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80 and 99 are allowable.

Presumptive Eligibility for Pregnant People.

Surgical Implants

The following Surgical Implants codes have special billing policies:

C1608

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An approved TAR is required for reimbursement.

Modifiers AG, ET, SC and 99 are allowable.

Presumptive Eligibility for Pregnant People.

Q1 Code Deletions

Table of HCPCS Q1 Code Deletions

Effective January 1, 2026

Subject	Deleted Code
California Children's Services (CCS)	75842, 75956, 77014, 77385, 77386, 77401
Cardiology	92921, 92925, 92929, 92938, 92944, 92975, 92977
Chemotherapy	C9305 (replaced with J9256), C9306 (replaced with J9326), C9751
Respiratory	94662
Hearing Aid Coverage for Children Program (HACCP)	92590, 92591, 92592, 92593, 92594, 92595
Injection	J0172, J0288, J0795, J1267, J1445, J1562, J1945, J2504, J9019, J9020, Q5109, S0080 (replaced with J2516)
Non-Injection	J0889, J7309, J7310, S0013 (replaced with J0013), S0189 (replaced with J1073)
Medicine	91120, 91122, 92934
Radiology	0042T, 0394T, 0623T, 0624T, 0625T, 0626T, 75958, 75959, 77385, 77386, Q9969
Skin Substitute	Q4100, Q4106
Surgery	27445, 27468, 33884, 37222, 37223, 37232, 37233, 37234, 37235, 37500, 52647, 55700, 75959