



# FINAL CY 2019 CODING AND PAYMENT FOR CEUS

This document presents coding and payment information for use of contrast-enhanced ultrasound (CEUS) in the United States. It is provided for illustrative purposes only and neither interprets payer policy nor guarantees payment. Reimbursement amounts are Medicare national averages for CY 2019. Actual payments are site-specific and will differ from examples here. Providers are solely responsible for exercising independent clinical judgment in selecting the code(s) that most accurately reflect a patient's condition and the procedure(s) performed.

Physician's office/IDTF						Hospital Outpatient (HOPPS)				
CPT/HCPCS	Description	Professional	Technical	Global		CPT/HCPCS	Description	APC	Description	Facility
<b>NON-CARDIAC</b>										
<i>+ Indicates add-on code; use together with primary code</i>										
<b>NEW CODES</b> (For services on/after 01/01/2019.)	76978	US, targeted dynamic microbubble sonographic contrast characterization (non-cardiac); initial lesion	\$ 82.89	\$ 247.95	\$ 330.84	76978	US, targeted dynamic microbubble sonographic contrast characterization (non-cardiac); initial lesion	5571	Level 1 Imaging w contrast	\$ 201.74
	+76979	US, targeted dynamic microbubble sonographic contrast characterization (non-cardiac); each additional lesion w separate injection	\$ 43.61	\$ 180.92	\$ 224.52	76979	US, targeted dynamic microbubble sonographic contrast characterization (non-cardiac); each additional lesion w separate injection			\$ -
<b>RETIRED 12/31/2018</b> (Use new codes)						<b>C9744</b> Ultrasound, abdominal, w contrast <b>RETIRED</b>				
<b>CARDIAC</b>						<b>NB: C-Codes listed below are illustrative. Hospital OP departments bill Medicare C8921-C8930 for echocardiography. Commercial payers may accept C-codes. If not, refer to CPT 93XXX series.</b>				
<b>Transthoracic Echocardiography (TTE)</b>										
Congenital anomalies, complete	93303	TTE, congenital cardiac anomalies, complete	\$ 65.23	\$ 174.43	\$ 239.66	C8921	TTE w contrast, or w/o followed by w, for congenital cardiac anomalies; complete	5573	Level 3 imag w contrast	\$ 691.75
2D w/w-o m-mode, complete	93307	TTE, RT w image documentation, M-mode, complete w/o spectral/Doppler	\$ 46.13	\$ 96.94	\$ 143.07	C8923	TTE w contrast, or w/o followed by w, RT w documentation, m-mode, complete	5573	Level 3 imag w contrast	\$ 691.75
Stress test	93350	TTE, RT w imag doc, rest and stress, treadmill, pharma induced, w interp/report	\$ 72.80	\$ 118.57	\$ 191.37	C8928	TTE w contrast, or w/o followed by w, RT w image doc, m-mode, during rest and CV stress using treadmill and/or pharmac induced; w interp and report	5573	Level 3 imag w contrast	\$ 691.75
Doppler	93320	Doppler, pulsed wave a/o contin, w spectral display, complete	\$ 18.74	\$ 35.68	\$ 54.42	C8929	TTE w contrast, or w/o followed by w, RT w doc, m-mode, complete, w Doppler	5573	Level 3 imag w contrast	\$ 691.75
<b>Transesophageal Echocardiography (TEE)</b>										
Congenital anomalies	93315	TEE, congenital cardiac anomalies, probe placement, image acquis, interp and report	\$ 131.90	NA	NA	C8926	TEE w contrast, or w/o followed by w, for congenital cardiac anomalies; probe placement, image acquis, interp & rpt	5573	Level 3 imag w contrast	\$ 691.75
Myocardial perfusion	+0439T	Contrast perfusion, at rest or w stress, to assess myocard ischemia or viability			Carrier priced	0439T	Contrast perfusion, at rest or w stress, to assess myocard ischemia or viability			Carrier priced
	+93352	Use of contrast agent during stress echo	NA	NA	\$ 34.24	93352	Use of contrast agent during stress echo	NA	Packaged	\$ -
<b>CONTRAST AGENTS</b>						<b>NB: Temporary pass-through payment. Bill in addition to APC for procedure</b>				
Lumason (Bracco)	Q9950	Inj sulf hexa lipid microsph, ml [\$101.75 per 5 ml vial]			\$ 20.35	Q9950	Inj sulf hexa lipid microsph, ml [\$101.75 per 5 ml vial]	9085	Pass-through	\$ 21.25
Optison (GE Healthcare)	Q9956	Inj octafluoropropane mic, ml [\$97.38 per 3 ml vial]			\$ 32.46	Q9956	Inj octafluoropropane mic, ml	NA	Packaged	\$ -
Definity (Lantheus)	Q9957	Inj perflutren lip micros, ml [\$97.38 per 2 ml vial]			\$ 48.69	Q9957	Inj perflutren lip micros, ml	NA	Packaged	\$ -

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