

Cochlear™ Auditory Osseointegrated Implant Systems



For audiologists, surgeons and surgical facilities

Surgical implantation of the Auditory Osseointegrated Implant Systems (AOI)

The codes in this section may be reported by both the surgeon and the surgical facility (ASC/hospital).

Code	When performing procedure
69714	Implantation, osseointegrated implant skull; with percutaneous attachment to external speech processor
69716	Implantation, osseointegrated implant, skull; with magnetic transcutaneous attachment to external speech processor within the mastoid and/or resulting in removal of less than 100 mm ² surface area of bone deep to the outer cranial cortex
69717	Replacement (including removal of existing device), osseointegrated implant, skull; with percutaneous attachment to external speech processor
69719	Replacement (including removal of existing device), osseointegrated implant, skull; with magnetic transcutaneous attachment to external speech processor, within the mastoid and/or involving a bony defect less than 100 mm ² surface area of bone deep to the outer cranial cortex
69726	Removal, osseointegrated implant, skull; with percutaneous attachment to external speech processor
69727	Removal, entire osseointegrated implant, skull; with magnetic transcutaneous attachment to external speech processor, within the mastoid and/or involving a bony defect less than 100 mm ² surface area of bone deep to the outer cranial cortex
69728	Removal, entire osseointegrated implant, skull; with magnetic transcutaneous attachment to external speech processor, outside the mastoid and involving a bony defect greater than or equal to 100 mm ² surface area of bone deep to the outer cranial cortex
69729	Implantation, osseointegrated implant, skull; with magnetic transcutaneous attachment to external speech processor, outside of the mastoid and resulting in removal of greater than or equal to 100 mm ² surface area of bone deep to the outer cranial cortex

69730 Replacement (including removal of existing device), osseointegrated implant, skull; with magnetic transcutaneous attachment to external speech processor, outside the mastoid and involving a bony defect greater than or equal to 100 mm² surface area of bone deep to the outer cranial cortex

69799 Unlisted procedure, middle ear

Auditory osseointegrated implant systems

Typically only reported by the surgical facility providing the device.

Medicare defines auditory osseointegrated implants as prosthetic devices and guides ASCs to bill as follows:

Prosthetic Devices: Payment for implantable prosthetic devices without OPPS pass-through status is included in the ASC payment for the covered surgical procedure. ASCs may not bill separately for implantable devices without OPPS pass-through status.

Code: When providing device or service

L8690 Auditory osseointegrated system, including all internal and external components

L8699 Prosthetic implant, not otherwise specified.

Auditory osseointegrated implant abutment

L8693 Auditory osseointegrated device abutment, any length, replacement only

Revenue codes

Revenue codes are used only for hospital/ASC claims.

Code When providing device or service

0278 Medical/surgical supplies and other implants

0360 Operating room services – general

Modifiers

Add Modifier when a claim reports the following situations:

51 Multiple procedures

52 Reduced services

58 Staged or related procedure or service by the same physician or other qualified health care professional during the postoperative period

59 Distinct Procedural Service

76 Repeat procedure or service by same physician or other qualified health care professional

Note: Payers have differing rules on proper use of modifiers. Consult your payers to confirm policies.

EXAMPLE FACILITY BILLING SCENARIOS

Surgical implantation of the Auditory Osseointegrated Implant Systems (AOI)

To appropriately identify the service performed, please refer to the section "Surgical Implantation of the Auditory Osseointegrated Implant Systems" above and adjust 697XX accordingly.

Code/Modifier: AOI systems implant

697xx	Surgical placement of the AOI System Implant
L8690	Auditory osseointegrated system, including all internal and external components

Code/Modifier: Two-Stage AOI systems implant

697xx-52	Stage 1: Surgical placement of the AOI System Implant
L8690	Auditory osseointegrated system, including all internal and external components
697xx-52, -58	Stage 2 within 90 days of stage 1
697xx-52	Or, Stage 2 more than 90 days after stage 1

Code/Modifier: AOI Implantation with second "sleeper" fixture

697xx	Surgical placement of the AOI System Implant
L8690	Auditory osseointegrated system, including all internal and external components
697xx-52, -59	Surgical placement of the AOI "sleeper" implant
L9900	Orthotic and prosthetic supply, accessory, and/or service component of another HCPCS "1" code

Magnet removal/replacement

CPT 20670	Removal of implant; superficial, (e.g., buried wire, pin or rod)(separate procedure)
CPT 69799	Unlisted procedure, middle ear
CPT 92700	Unlisted otorhinolaryngological service or procedure
L9900	Orthotic and prosthetic supply, accessory, and/or service component of another HCPCS "1" code

Audiologist/professional services

The codes in this section may be reported by audiologists and other licensed clinicians for services related to pre- and post-operative analysis and rehabilitation of AOI patients. This list is not intended to be comprehensive of all services that may be offered to AOI patients.

Code	When performing procedure
92521	Evaluation of speech fluency
92522	Evaluation of speech sound production
92523	Evaluation of speech sound production; with evaluation of language comprehension and expression
92524	Behavioral and qualitative analysis of voice and resonance
92550	Tympanometry and reflex threshold measurements
92551	Screening test, pure tone, air only
92552	Pure tone audiometry threshold via air only
92553	Pure tone audiometry threshold via air and bone
92555	Speech audiometry threshold
92556	Speech audiometry threshold with speech recognition
92557	Comprehensive audiometry threshold evaluation and speech recognition (92553 & 92556 combined)
92567	Tympanometry (impedance testing)
92568	Acoustic reflex testing; threshold
92570	Acoustic immittance testing, includes tympanometry (impedance testing), acoustic reflex threshold testing, and acoustic reflex decay testing
92579	Visual reinforcement audiometry (VRA)
92582	Conditioning play audiometry
92583	Select picture audiometry
92584	Electrocochleography
92626	Evaluation of auditory function for surgically implanted device(s) candidacy or postoperative status of a surgically implanted device(s); first hour
92627	Evaluation of auditory function for surgically implanted device(s) candidacy or postoperative status of a surgically implanted device(s); each additional 15 minutes
92630	Auditory rehabilitation; pre-lingual hearing loss
92633	Auditory rehabilitation; post-lingual hearing loss

Post operative services

Code	When performing procedure
92622	Diagnostic analysis, programming, and verification of an auditory osseointegrated sound processor, any type; first 60 minutes
92623	Diagnostic analysis, programming, and verification of an auditory osseointegrated sound processor, any type; each additional 15 minutes (list separately in addition to code for primary procedure)
92700	Unlisted otorhinolaryngological service or procedure - may apply if 92622 is less than 31 min threshold

Medicare billing notes

Medicare limits reimbursement for the services below as noted. Commercial and Medicaid plans' guidelines vary from plan to plan.

The following codes are not payable by Medicare when billed by an audiologist: 92522, 92523, 92524, 92551, 92630, 92633

92626 & 92627 Payable when billed by an audiologist or an SLP

92630 & 92633 Not payable by Medicare for any providers. Medicare instructs providers to bill **92507** instead

Remote Care services

For more specific information related to Remote Assist and telehealth options, please reference CAM HE 033_G: Reimbursement Considerations for Cochlear™ Remote Care Solutions

For this and more reimbursement related resources, please visit: www.cochlear.us/reimbursementhub

Auditory osseointegrated external supplies and repairs

Repair and replacement codes in this section may require a DME license when not provided as part of a surgical procedure. Check with your local payer if DME billing requirements are unknown.

Code	When providing device or service
L8691	Auditory osseointegrated device, external sound processor, excludes transducer/actuator, replacement only, each
L8694	Auditory osseointegrated device, transducer/actuator, replacement only, each
L9900	Supply, accessory and/or service component of another HCPCS L code

Baha® Softband and SoundArc™

Code	When providing device or service
L8692	Auditory osseointegrated device, external sound processor, used without osseointegration, body worn, includes headband or other means of external attachment (Softband or SoundArc with sound processor) Baha Softband System or Baha SoundArc System
L9900	Orthotic and prosthetic supply, accessory, and/or service component of another HCPCS "L" code (replacement headband only)



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1. Medicare Claims Processing Manual; Chapter 14-Ambulatory Surgical Centers; 10.4 Coverage of Services in ASCs That Are Not ASC Facility Services of Covered Ancillary Services: Prosthetic Devices.

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