

Billing codes

For surgeons and implant facilities

Auditory brainstem implant device

L8614	Cochlear device, includes all internal and external components
L8699	Prosthetic implant; not otherwise specified (Revenue Code 278 - other implant)

ICD 10 diagnostic codes (hospital and physicians use)

Primary:	Secondary:
Q85.02 Neurofibromatosis Type II (<i>acoustic neurofibromatosis</i>) OR	H90.3 Sensorineural hearing loss, bilateral
D33.3 Benign neoplasm of cranial nerves	

ICD 10 CM procedure codes (hospital use only)

Primary:	Secondary:
00BN0ZZ Excision of Acoustic Neuroma Open Approach	00H.EOYZ Insertion of Neurostimulator lead into Cranial Nerve Open Approach

Services in the operation room during surgery

Primary:	Secondary:
61520-62 Craniectomy for excision of brain tumor, infratentorial or posterior fossa, cerebellopontine angle tumor OR	64999 Unlisted procedure, nervous system
61530-62 Craniectomy, bone flap craniectomy, transtemporal (<i>mastoid</i>) for excision of cerebellopontine angle tumor; combined with a middle posterior fossa craniotomy/craniectomy	S2235 Implantation of auditory brain stem implant (<i>Medicare does not accept this code, but it may be used for commercial payors</i>)
69990 Use of operating microscope (<i>list separately in addition to code for primary procedure</i>)	61860-51 Craniectomy or craniotomy for implantation of neurostimulator electrodes, cerebral; cortical OR
70250 Radiologic examination, skull; less than four views	69949-51 Unlisted procedure, inner ear
Modifier-62 Two surgeons with different specialties were involved during the same procedure	Modifier-51 Used to indicate multiple procedures were performed during the same surgery

Neural response telemetry (NRT)*

92584 Electrocochleography

Facial nerve monitoring

95867 Needle electromyography cranial nerve supplied muscles, unilateral

Intraoperative neurophysiology

Continuous intraoperative neurophysiology monitoring; list these codes in addition to primary study procedure code.

95940 In the operating room, one on one monitoring, each 15 minutes

95941 From outside the operating room, remote or nearby, or for monitoring of more than one case while in the operating room, per hour

G0453 Outside operating room, per patient, the operating room (*remote or nearby*), per patient (*attention directed exclusively to one patient*) each 15 minutes. Per CMS guidelines must be billed subsequent to physician services

Post-operative programming

92640 Diagnostic analysis with programming of auditory brainstem implant, per hour



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* Providers may find guidance within the CPT Assistant article published in October 2021 Volume 30 Issue 10, where reference to the use of CPT 92584 is shared in relation to NRT services.

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