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IHCP updates reimbursement methodology for CPT code 50549

Effective June 1, 2026, the Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) has updated the reimbursement methodology for Current Procedural Terminology (CPT®[1]) code 50549 – *Other procedure on kidney using an endoscope*.

Currently, claims for the procedure code 50549 are reimbursed manually irrespective of the revenue code linked to the code.

Effective retroactively for dates of service (DOS) on or after **June 1, 2026**, procedure code 50549 will be reimbursed at the ambulatory surgical center (ASC) group H rate when billed with qualifying surgical revenue codes, including:

- Revenue code series 036X – Operating Room Services
- Revenue code series 049X – Ambulatory Surgical Care

In addition, the following revenue codes are recognized as surgical revenue codes when submitted with a qualifying surgical procedure code:

- 450 – Emergency Room
- 456 – Urgent Care
- 459 – Other Emergency Room
- 48X – Cardiology Services
- 510, 511, 512, 514, 515, 516, 517, 519 – Clinic Services
- 52X – Freestanding Clinic Services
- 700 – Cast Room
- 710 – Recovery Room
- 72X – Labor Room/Delivery Room
- 760 – Specialty Services-General
- 761 – Specialty Services-Treatment Room

When procedure code 50549 is billed with one of the revenue codes listed above and all other billing requirements are met, the claim will be reimbursed at the applicable ASC group H rate.

Manual pricing

Claims billed with procedure code 50549 and revenue codes other than those identified in this bulletin will continue to be subject to manual pricing review.

For more information

Questions about fee-for-service (FFS) billing and reimbursement should be directed to Gainwell Technologies Customer Assistance at 800-457-4584 or your Provider Relations consultant.

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