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Cheat Sheet To Urology CPT Coding 2022

Claim submission in urology procedures is complex. It requires precise coding and documentation at every step. A minor mistake in coding or documentation can lead to denied claim. It is essential to understand the reasons for denials and ways to prevent them.

Coding being the primary reason for denials in urology, we have put together a comprehensive Urology CPT code cheat sheet for you.

But first, let us understand the top denials that happen in urology.

Authorization Denials

Authorization denials contribute to one of the significant denials in this practice.

Causes

Authorization denials might be caused because of the following reasons.

- Precertification
- Authorization
- Notification Absent

Prevention

The front office dept has to ensure the VOB and authorization requirement is checked and obtained prior to rendering the service. If the authorization is not provided, the billing team needs to check with the provider for an authorization number.

Non-Covered Denials – ICD

Sometimes few of the processes or diagnoses are not covered in the insurance, and this denial is caused if the coverage is not checked in advance. Need to code and bill with medical necessity and check LCD for the state to



Bundled Denials

If the payer refuses to pay for two separate reasons, it leads to bundled denials.

Causes

This denial can be caused when the healthcare provider bills the payer for two different services.

Prevention

- Billers need to check NCCI edits for procedures billed commonly together.
- Use modifier appropriately.

Examples of Bundled Denials

- CPT 76770 with CPT 51798 If CPT 51798 is a distinct and separately billable procedure based on what physician did and documented, we can use modifier 59.
- CPT 52234 with 52204- As per NCCI edits, we can use modifier 59 with the CPT 52204 as it is bundled with the code 52234
- CPT 76770, 51798, 51741 -As per NCCI edits, we can use modifier 59 with the

prevent these denials.

Causes

This denial is caused if the payer does not cover the diagnosis.

Prevention

ICD needs to be checked before coding, and if the coverable diagnosis is not listed, this needs to be conveyed to the provider.

A few examples of non-covered diagnoses are as follows:

- Z85.54 Personal history of malignant neoplasm of the ureter.
- C67. 8- Malignant neoplasm of over lapping sites of the bladder.
- D41.4 Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of bladder.
- Z87.442 Personal history of urinary calculi.

CPT 51798 as it is bundled with the code 76770.

Modifier Denials

- Denial: The procedure code is inconsistent with the modifier used or a required modifier is missing.
- Usage: Refer to the 835 Healthcare Policy Identification Segment (loop 2110 Service Payment Information REF), if present.
- Aetna, Cigna, BCBS, UHC E/M visit need to be appended with modifier 25 when billed with Uroflow, PVR, Urinalysis, Uro cuff, Urodynamics procedures though global concepts do not apply.

Here is your Urology Code Cheat Sheet for Accurate Coding

OPT Code	Short Description	MUE
50010	Exploration of kidney	1
50020 50040	Renal abscess open drain Drainage of kidney	1
50040	Exploration of kidney	1
50060	Removal of kidney stone	1
50065	Incision of kidney	1
50070	Incision of kidney	1
50075	Removal of kidney stone	1
50080	Removal of kidney stone	1
50081 50100	Removal of kidney stone	1
50100	Revise kidney blood vessels Exploration of kidney	1
50125	Explore and drain kidney	1
50130	Removal of kidney stone	1
50135	Exploration of kidney	1
50200	Renal biopsy perq	1
50205	Renal biopsy open	1
50220 50225	Remove kidney open	1
50225	Removal kidney open complex Removal kidney open radical	1
50234	Removal of kidney & ureter	1
50236	Removal of kidney & ureter	1
50240	Partial removal of kidney	1
50250	Cryoablate renal mass open	1
50280	Removal of kidney lesion	1
50290	Removal of kidney lesion	1
50320 50327	Remove kidney living donor Prep renal graft/venous	1
50327	Prep renal graft/venous Prep renal graft/arterial	1
50329	Prep renal graft/ureteral	1
50340	Removal of kidney	1
50360	Transplantation of kidney	1
50365	Transplantation of kidney	1
50370	Remove transplanted kidney	1
50380	Reimplantation of kidney	1
50382	Change ureter stent percut	1
50384 50385	Remove ureter stent percut Change stent via transureth	1
50385	Remove stent via transureth	1
50387	Change nephroureteral cath	1
50389	Remove renal tube w/fluoro	1
50390	Drainage of kidney lesion	2
50391	Instll rx agnt into rnal tub	1
50396	Measure kidney pressure	1
50400 50405	Revision of kidney/ureter Revision of kidney/ureter	1
50430	Nix px nfrosgrm &/urtrgrm	2
50431	Njx px nfrosgrm &/urtrgrm	2
50432	Plmt nephrostomy catheter	2
50433	Plmt nephroureteral catheter	2
50434	Convert nephrostomy catheter	2
50435	Exchange nephrostomy cath	2
50436	Dilat xst trc ndurlgc px	1
50437 50500	Dilat xst trc new access rcs Repair of kidney wound	1
50520	Close kidney-skin fistula	1
50525	Close nephrovisceral fistula	1
50526	Close nephrovisceral fistula	1
50540	Revision of horseshoe kidney	1
50541	Laparo ablate renal cyst	1
50542	Laparo ablate renal mass	1
50543 50544	Laparo partial nephrectomy Laparoscopy pyeloplasty	1
50545	Laparo radical nephrectomy	1
50546	Laparoscopic nephrectomy	1
50547	Laparo removal donor kidney	1
50548	Laparo remove w/ureter	1
50551	Kidney endoscopy	1
50553	Kidney endoscopy	1
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52235	Cystoscopy and treatment	1
52240 52250	Cystoscopy and treatment Cystoscopy and radiotracer	1
52260	Cystoscopy and treatment	1
52265 52270	Cystoscopy and treatment	1
52270	Cystoscopy & revise urethra Cystoscopy & revise urethra	1
52276	Cystoscopy and treatment	1
52277	Cystoscopy and treatment	1
52281 52282	Cystoscopy and treatment Cystoscopy implant stent	1
52283	Cystoscopy and treatment	1
52285	Cystoscopy and treatment	1
52287 52290	Cystoscopy chemodenervation Cystoscopy and treatment	1
52300	Cystoscopy and treatment	1
52301	Cystoscopy and treatment	1
52305 52310	Cystoscopy and treatment	1
52310	Cystoscopy and treatment Cystoscopy and treatment	2
52317	Remove bladder stone	1
52318	Remove bladder stone	1
52320 52325	Cystoscopy and treatment Cystoscopy stone removal	1
52327	Cystoscopy inject material	1
52330	Cystoscopy and treatment	1
52332	Cystoscopy and treatment	1
52334 52341	Create passage to kidney Cysto w/ureter stricture tx	1
52342	Cysto w/up stricture tx	1
52343	Cysto w/renal stricture tx	1
52344 52345	Cysto/uretero stricture tx Cysto/uretero w/up stricture	1
52345 52346	Cysto/uretero w/up stricture Cystouretero w/renal strict	1
52351	Cystouretero & or pyeloscope	1
52352	Cystouretero w/stone remove	1
52353 52354	Cystouretero w/lithotripsy Cystouretero w/biopsy	1
52355	Cystouretero w/excise tumor	1
52356	Cysto/uretero w/lithotripsy	1
52400 52402	Cystouretero w/congen repr Cystourethro cut ejacul duct	1
52402	Cystourethro cut ejacul duct Cystourethro w/implant	1
52442	Cystourethro w/addl implant	6
52450	Incision of prostate	1
52500 52601	Revision of bladder neck Prostatectomy (turp)	1
52630	Remove prostate regrowth	1
52640	Relieve bladder contracture	1
52647 52648	Laser surgery of prostate Laser surgery of prostate	1
52649	Prostate laser enucleation	1
527 <mark>0</mark> 0	Drainage of prostate abscess	1
53000	Incision of urethra	1
53010 53020	Incision of urethra Incision of urethra	1
53025	Incision of urethra	1
53040	Drainage of urethra abscess	1
53060 53080	Drainage of urethra abscess Drainage of urinary leakage	1
53085	Drainage of urinary leakage	1
53200	Biopsy of urethra	1
53210 53215	Removal of urethra Removal of urethra	1
53220	Treatment of urethra lesion	1
53230	Removal of urethra lesion	1
53235	Removal of urethra lesion	1
53240 53250	Surgery for urethra pouch Removal of urethra gland	1
53260	Treatment of urethra lesion	1
53265	Treatment of urethra lesion	1
53270 53275	Removal of urethra gland Repair of urethra defect	1
53275	Repair of urethra defect Revise urethra stage 1	1
53405	Revise urethra stage 2	1
53410	Reconstruction of urethra	1
53415 53420	Reconstruction of urethra Reconstruct urethra stage 1	1
53420	Reconstruct urethra stage 2	1
53430	Reconstruction of urethra	1
53431	Reconstruct urethra/bladder	1
53440 53442	Male sling procedure Remove/revise male sling	1
53444	Insert tandem cuff	1
53445	Insert uro/ves nck sphincter	1
53446 53447	Remove uro sphincter Remove/replace ur sphincter	1
53447	Remov/replc ur sphincter comp	1
53449	Repair uro sphincter	1
53450 53460	Revision of urethra	1
53460 53500	Revision of urethra Urethrlys transvag w/ scope	1
53502	Repair of urethra injury	1
53505	Repair of urethra injury	1
53510 53515	Repair of urethra injury Repair of urethra injury	1
53515	Repair of urethra injury Repair of urethra defect	1
53600	Dilate urethra stricture	1
53601	Dilate urethra stricture	1
53605 53620	Dilate urethra stricture	1
53620 53621	Dilate urethra stricture Dilate urethra stricture	1
53660	Dilation of urethra	1
53661	Dilation of urethra	1
53665 53850	Dilation of urethra Prostatic microwave thermotx	1
53850	Prostatic microwave thermotx Prostatic rf thermotx	1
53854	Trurl dstrj prst8 tiss rf wv	1
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53855 53860	Insert prost urethral stent Transurethral rf treatment	1

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50760	Fusion of ureters	1
50770	Splicing of ureters	1
50780 50782	Reimplant ureter in bladder Reimplant ureter in bladder	1
50782	Reimplant ureter in bladder	1
50785	Reimplant ureter in bladder	1
50800	Implant ureter in bowel	1
50810	Fusion of ureter & bowel	1
50815	Urine shunt to intestine	1
50820 50825	Construct bowel bladder Construct bowel bladder	1
50830	Revise urine flow	1
50840	Replace ureter by bowel	1
50845	Appendico-vesicostomy	1
50860	Transplant ureter to skin	1
50900 50920	Repair of ureter Closure ureter/skin fistula	2
50930	Closure ureter/bowel fistula	2
50940	Release of ureter	1
50945	Laparoscopy ureterolithotomy	1
50947	Laparo new ureter/bladder	1
50948 50951	Laparo new ureter/bladder Endoscopy of ureter	1
50953	Endoscopy of ureter	1
50955	Ureter endoscopy & biopsy	1
50957	Ureter endoscopy & treatment	1
	Ureter endoscopy & treatment	1
50970	Ureter endoscopy	1
50972 50974	Ureter endoscopy & catheter Ureter endoscopy & biopsy	1
50976	Ureter endoscopy & treatment	1
	Ureter endoscopy & treatment	1
51020	Incise & treat bladder	1
51030	Incise & treat bladder	1
51040	Incise & drain bladder	1
51045 51050	Incise bladder/drain ureter Removal of bladder stone	2
51060	Removal of ureter stone	1
51065	Remove ureter calculus	1
51080	Drainage of bladder abscess	1
51100	Drain bladder by needle	1
51101 51102	Drain bladder by trocar/cath Drain bl w/cath insertion	1
51500	Removal of bladder cyst	1
51520	Removal of bladder lesion	1
51525	Removal of bladder lesion	1
51530	Removal of bladder lesion	1
51535	Repair of ureter lesion	1
51550 51555	Partial removal of bladder Partial removal of bladder	1
51565	Revise bladder & ureter(s)	1
51570	Removal of bladder	1
51575	Removal of bladder & nodes	1
51580	Remove bladder/revise tract	1
51585 51590	Removal of bladder & nodes Remove bladder/revise tract	1
51595	Remove bladder/revise tract	1
51596	Remove bladder/create pouch	1
51597	Removal of pelvic structures	1
51600	Injection for bladder x-ray	1
51605	Preparation for bladder xray	1
51610 51700	Injection for bladder x-ray Irrigation of bladder	1
51701	Insert bladder catheter	2
51702	Insert temp bladder cath	2
51703	Insert bladder cath complex	2
51705	Change of bladder tube	1
51710 51715	Change of bladder tube	1
51715	Endoscopic injection/implant Treatment of bladder lesion	1
51725	Simple cystometrogram	1
51726	Complex cystometrogram	1
51727	Cystometrogram w/up	1
51728	Cystometrogram w/vp	1
51729 51736	Cystometrogram w/vp&up Urine flow measurement	1
51741	Electro-uroflowmetry first	1
51784	Anal/urinary muscle study	1
51785	Anal/urinary muscle study	1
51792	Urinary reflex study	1
51797 51798	Intraabdominal pressure test Us urine capacity measure	1
51800	Revision of bladder/urethra	1
51820	Revision of urinary tract	1
51840	Attach bladder/urethra	1
51841	Attach bladdor/urothra	1
51845 51860	Attach bladder/urethra	10 L 10
	Repair bladder neck	1
51865	Repair bladder neck Repair of bladder wound	1 1 1
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51880 51900 51920 51925 51940	Repair bladder neck Repair of bladder wound Repair of bladder wound Repair of bladder opening Repair bladder/vagina lesion Close bladder-uterus fistula Hysterectomy/bladder repair Correction of bladder defect	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
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	Modifiers		
24	Unrelated E/M service during global period		
25	Office Procedure		
57	Decision for surgery		
22	Increased Procedural Service		
50	Bilateral Procedures		
51	Multiple Procedures		
52	Reduced Services		
53	Discontinued Procedures		
62	Co surgeon		
78	Unplanned return to Operative		
79	Unrelated Procedure or service		
80	Assistant Surgeon		
AS	Physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist services for assistant at surgery		
XE	Separate Encounter		
XU	Unusual Overlapping services		
XP	Separate Practioner		
XS	Separate Structure		

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