

CARECORE NATIONAL/HEALTHFIRST DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING
PRIVILEGING BY SPECIALTY
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The list below details the imaging CPT codes that physicians other than radiologists can perform in their office.

Note:

* These procedures require pre-certification

** These procedures must be performed by an ARRT registered technologist and be over-read by a board certified Radiologist credentialed by Healthfirst

***Any studies beyond three require pre-certification; call 1-877-773-6964 (7:00am – 6:00pm, M-F)

All specialty privileging applies to the related pediatric specialties as well.

PHYSICIAN TYPE	CPT CODES	DESCRIPTION
PCP's : Internal Medicine, Family Practice, Adolescent Medicine, Pediatrics	71010** to 71030**	Chest imaging
Pediatric Cardiologists, Pulmonologist, Cardiologists, Nuclear (Including Pediatric Cardiologists), Cardiac Monitoring, Cardiovascular Disease	71010 to 71030 78464*,78465*,78469* 78472*,78473* 78478* 78480* 78481*, 78483* 78494*	Chest imaging Tomographic SPECT studies Cardiac blood pool imaging Myocardial perfusion study with wall motion study Myocardial perfusion study with ejection fraction Cardiac Blood Pool Imaging, planar Cardiac blood pool imaging SPECT
Cardiologists – Pediatric only	76825 to 76828	Echocardiography, fetal
Chiropractors	72010, 72040, 72069, 72070, 72080, 72100	Spine imaging
Endocrinologists	77080, 77081 76942 76536	DEXA studies, bone densitometry Ultrasonic guidance for needle biopsy Thyroid ultrasound
Gastroenterologists	76975*	Endoscopic ultrasound
General Surgeons	76942	Ultrasonic guidance for needle biopsy
Hand Surgeons	76000 73100 to 73140	Fluoroscopy Upper extremity imaging

<p>Maternal and Fetal Medicine Neonatal Perinatal Medicine</p>	<p>77052 77057, G0202 76801*** to 76828***, 76830 to 76857 76930, 76941, 76942, 76945, 76946, 76948</p>	<p>Computer aided detection of radiographic images Screening mammography Ultrasounds-pelvis Ultrasonic guidance</p>
<p>Ob/Gyns Family Planning</p>	<p>77052 77057, G0202 76801***, 76802***, 76805***, 76810***, 76811***, 76812***, 76813***, 76814***, 76815***, 76816***, 76817***, 76818***, 76819***, 76820***, 76821***, 76825***, 76826***, 76827***, 76828***, 76830 to 76857 76930, 76941, 76945, 76946</p>	<p>Computer aided detection of radiographic images Screening Mammography Ultrasounds-pelvis Ultrasonic guidance</p>
<p>Nuclear Medicine</p>	<p>All 78000 nuclear medicine studies are included in this section, please consult your Provider Manual to determine which nuclear studies require precertification or call CareCore National for assistance at 1-877-773-6964.</p>	

Oral Surgeons	70100, 70110, 70140, 70150 70300, 70310, 70320 70328, 70330 70350 70355	Mandible and facial bone imaging Teeth imaging TMJ imaging Cephalogram, orthodontic Orthopantogram
Orthopedists (Including Pediatric Orthopedists)	71100 to 71111 71120 to 71130 72010 to 72120, 72170, 72190, 72200 to 72220 73000 to 73140, 73500 to 73660 76000, 77002, 77003 77071 77031 77077	Radiologic examination, ribs Radiologic examination, sternum Spine and Pelvis imaging Imaging - Upper and lower extremities Fluoroscopies Radiologic examination, any joint Bone Length studies Joint survey
Pain Specialists (physiatrists, anesthesiologists, neurologists, and neurosurgeons)	72275 76000 77002 77003	Epidurography, radiological supervision and interpretation Fluoroscopy (separate procedure), up to one hour physician time, other than 71023 or 71024 (e.g., cardiac fluoroscopy) Fluoroscopic guidance for needle placement (e.g., biopsy, aspiration, injection, localization device) Fluoroscopic guidance and localization of needle or catheter tip for spine or paraspinal diagnostic or therapeutic injection procedures including neurolytic agent destruction
Pediatricians	71010** to 71030**	Chest imaging
Podiatrists	73620, 73630, 73650, 73660	Lower extremity imaging
Pulmonologists	71010** to 71030**	Chest Imaging

Radiation Oncologists	77012 77014 76873 76950	Computed tomography guidance for needle placement Computed tomography guidance for placement of radiation therapy fields Prostate volume study for brachytherapy treatment planning Ultrasonic guidance for placement of radiation therapy fields
Reproductive Endocrinologists	76801***, 76802***, 76805***, 76810***, 76811***, 76812***, 76815***, 76816***, 76817***, 76818***, 76819***, 76820***, 76821***, 76825***, 76826***, 76827***, 76828***, 76830 to 76857	Ultrasounds-pelvis
Rheumatologists	72010 to 72120, 72170, 72190, 72200 to 72220 73000 to 73140, 73500 to 73660 76000, 77002 77073, 77077 77080, 77081	Spine and pelvis imaging Imaging- Upper and lower extremities Fluoroscopies Bone length studies, joint survey DEXA studies, bone densitometry
Urologists, Urologic Oncology	76870, 76872 76873 76942	Ultrasounds – scrotum, transrectal Prostate volume study for brachytherapy treatment planning Ultrasonic guidance for needle biopsy