

Chapter 4 – Eye and orbital contents

The fees allowed for cataract removal, by whatever means, includes subconjunctival injection and injection into the anterior chamber where required. These should not be charged as separate procedures.

When it is necessary to convert a phacoemulsification procedure into an extra capsular extraction procedure, this should be charged as a single procedure.

The code for the 'removal of corneal sutures' is only to be used after a keratoplasty procedure.

We do not cover blepharoplasty procedures, and these should not be coded as a correction of ptosis/eyelid reconstruction procedure.

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4.1 Globe and orbit

CCSD code	Description	Complexity	Specialist fee	Anaesthetist fee
C0110	Exenteration of orbit	Major	£550.00	£275.00
C0120	Enucleation/evisceration of eyeball	Major	£550.00	£220.00
C0122	Enucleation/evisceration of eyeball (with implant)	Major	£550.00	£220.00
C0212	Excision of lesion of orbit - anterior approach	Major	£550.00	£220.00
C0213	Excision of lesion of orbit - lateral orbitotomy	Major	£550.00	£220.00
C0512	Simple reconstruction of socket (not including implant or graft)	Major	£650.00	£275.00
C0513	Reconstruction of socket with either implant or graft	Complex	£650.00	£275.00
C0514	Reconstruction of socket with implant and graft	Complex	£650.00	£275.00
C0610	Biopsy of lesion of orbit	Intermediate	£350.00	£165.00
C0620	Drainage of orbit	Intermediate	£400.00	£165.00
C0630	Decompression of orbit	Major	£800.00	£220.00
C0640	Removal of foreign body from orbit	Major	£550.00	£220.00
C0650	Exploration of orbit (as sole procedure)	Major	£550.00	£220.00
C0840	Orbital injection	Minor	£100.00	£0.00

4.2 Eyebrow and lid

CCSD code	Description	Complexity	Specialist fee	Anaesthetist fee
C1010	Excision of lesion of eyebrow	Minor	£ 200.00	£ 165.00
C1040	Suture of eyebrow (as sole procedure)	Minor	£ 100.00	£ 100.00
C1110	Excision of lesion of canthus	Intermediate	£ 300.00	£ 165.00
C1130	Correction of epicanthus	Intermediate	£ 350.00	£ 165.00
C1140	Correction of telecanthus	Intermediate	£ 350.00	£ 165.00
C1150	Graft of skin to canthus	Intermediate	£ 300.00	£ 165.00
C1160	Canthotomy	Minor	£ 200.00	£ 165.00
C1210	Excision of lesion of eyelid	Minor	£ 100.00	£ 150.00
C1230	Curettage/cryotherapy of lesion of eyelid	Minor	£ 100.00	£ 150.00
C1420	Graft of skin to eyelid	Intermediate	£ 300.00	£ 165.00
C1512	Correction of lower lid ectropion without graft/flap	Intermediate	£ 360.00	£ 165.00
C1513	Correction of lower lid ectropion with graft/flap	Intermediate	£ 400.00	£ 165.00
C1522	Correction of entropion - lower lid	Intermediate	£ 360.00	£ 165.00
C1523	Correction of entropion - upper lid, including graft/flap	Intermediate	£ 400.00	£ 165.00
C1532	Correction of trichiasis by electrolysis/diathermy/cryotherapy/laser	Minor	£ 175.00	£ 150.00
C1540	Surgical correction of trichiasis/upper lid entropion, including graft/flap	Minor	£ 150.00	£ 150.00
C1640	Tarsorrhaphy	Intermediate	£ 250.00	£ 165.00
C1700	Total reconstruction of eyelid - unilateral	Major	£ 550.00	£ 165.00
C1710	Suture of eyelid (laceration) (as sole procedure)	Minor	£ 150.00	£ 150.00
C1810	Correction of ptosis of eyelid – simple (including tarsomullerectomy)	Major	£ 500.00	£ 220.00
C1812	Correction of ptosis of eyelid – complex	Major	£ 500.00	£ 220.00
C1813	Correction of ptosis of eyelid with autologous fascia lata	Major	£ 500.00	£ 220.00
C1818	Reverse ptosis repair of eyelid	Major	£ 500.00	£ 220.00
C2220	Biopsy of lesion of eyelid	Minor	£ 170.00	£ 110.00

4.3 Lacrimal system

CCSD code	Description	Complexity	Specialist fee	Anaesthetist fee
C2540	Dacryocystorhinostomy (including insertion and later removal of tube)	Major	£550.00	£275.00
C2542	Dacryocysto-rhinostomy (endoscopic/laser assisted), including insertion and later removal of tube	Xmajor	£550.00	£275.00
C2550	Lacrimal intubation (as sole procedure)	Intermediate	£150.00	£100.00
C2610	Excision/biopsy of lacrimal sac	Intermediate	£300.00	£165.00
C2640	Incision of lacrimal sac	Minor	£100.00	£165.00
C2650	Probing of nasolacrimal system with/without syringing and/or irrigation	Minor	£100.00	£100.00
C2910	Puncto-canaliculoplasty	Minor	£320.00	£110.00
C2920	Insertion of canalicular or punctal plugs	Minor	£100.00	£75.00

4.4 Muscles

CCSD code	Description	Complexity	Specialist fee	Anaesthetist fee
C3112	Surgical correction of squint - unilateral	Major	£550.00	£220.00
C3113	Surgical correction of squint - bilateral	Major	£550.00	£220.00
C3180	Revision of squint surgery	Xmajor	£650.00	£220.00
C3530	Surgical correction of squint with adjustable sutures	Xmajor	£700.00	£220.00
C3780	Injection of botulinum toxin into extraocular or periocular muscles	Intermediate	£300.00	£0.00

4.5 Conjunctiva

CCSD code	Description	Complexity	Specialist fee	Anaesthetist fee
C3910	Excision/biopsy of conjunctival lesion	Minor	£ 150.00	£ 150.00
C3920	Cauterisation including cryotherapy to conjunctival lesion	Minor	£ 100.00	£ 150.00
C3950	Radiotherapy to conjunctival lesion	Minor	£ 200.00	£ 165.00
C4010	Mucosal graft to conjunctiva	Intermediate	£ 350.00	£ 165.00
C4050	Suture of conjunctiva	Minor	£ 150.00	£ 150.00
C4100	Drainage of conjunctival cyst	Minor	£ 100.00	£ 150.00
C4340	Subconjunctival injection	Minor	£ 100.00	£ 0.00
C4350	Exploration of conjunctiva (including removal of foreign body)	Minor	£ 100.00	£ 150.00
C6180	Bleb needling +/- antimetabolites (including topical or local anaesthetic)	N/A	£ 100.00	£ 0.00

4.6 Cornea

CCSD code	Description	Complexity	Specialist fee	Anaesthetist fee
C3960	Excision of pterygium	Minor	£150.00	£150.00
C4520	Excision of lesion of cornea	Minor	£150.00	£150.00
C4620	Lamellar graft (keratoplasty) to cornea	Xmajor	£650.00	£275.00
C4630	Perforating graft (keratoplasty) to cornea	Xmajor	£650.00	£275.00
C4640	Descemet's Stripping Endothelial Keratoplasty (DSEK)	Xmajor	£650.00	£275.00
C4650	Revision of corneal graft/wound	Major	£500.00	£220.00
C4690	Implantation of synthetic corneal rings for keratoconus (including INTACS)	Intermediate	£350.00	£220.00
C4710	Repair of corneal wound	Minor	£200.00	£165.00
C4730	Removal of corneal suture	Minor	£100.00	£150.00
C4810	Removal of superficial corneal foreign body	Minor	£150.00	£150.00
C4980	Tension sutures	Intermediate	£400.00	£220.00
C5131	Ultraviolet irradiation of riboflavin for epithelium off cross linking of corneal collagen	Major	£750.00	£200.00
C5180	Corneal scraping for culture	Minor	£150.00	£150.00

4.7 Sclera

CCSD code	Description	Complexity	Specialist fee	Anaesthetist fee
C5300	Excision of lesion of sclera	Intermediate	£200.00	£200.00
C5720	Repair of scleral laceration	Intermediate	£200.00	£200.00
C5730	Scleral graft	Major	£450.00	£220.00
C6181	Laser suture lysis (including topical or local anaesthetic)	N/A	£100.00	£0.00

4.8 Iris and anterior chamber

CCSD code	Description	Complexity	Specialist fee	Anaesthetist fee
C5910	Iridocyclectomy	Xmajor	£650.00	£275.00
C5920	Surgical iridectomy	Intermediate	£350.00	£220.00
C6010	Surgical trabeculectomy or other penetrating glaucoma procedures (including topical or local anaesthetic)	Major	£550.00	£275.00
C6012	Canaloplasty (of Schlemm's Canal with microcatheter) combined with phakoemulsification of lens with implant 'Phako-Canaloplasty' (including topical or local anaesthetic)	Major	£650.00	£330.00
C6051	Aqueous shunt tube surgery for glaucoma (including topical or local anaesthetic) including donor patch - unilateral	Intermediate	£400.00	£150.00
C6052	Aqueous shunt tube surgery for glaucoma (including topical or local anaesthetic) including donor patch - bilateral	Intermediate	£600.00	£225.00
C6110	Laser trabeculoplasty (including topical or local anaesthetic) – bilateral	Intermediate	£300.00	£220.00
C6111	Laser trabeculoplasty (including topical or local anaesthetic) - unilateral	Intermediate	£250.00	£150.00
C6130	Goniotomy (surgical treatment of glaucoma) (including topical or local anaesthetic)	Major	£550.00	£220.00
C6150	Revision of previous glaucoma surgery (including topical local anaesthetic)	Major	£550.00	£220.00
C6160	Complex glaucoma surgery (including anti-metabolites/insertion of seton devices) (including topical or local anaesthetic)	Major	£550.00	£220.00
C6170	Goniosynechialysis or goniopuncture (with laser or operatively) (including topical or local anaesthetic)	Intermediate	£350.00	£165.00
C6230	Laser iridotomy – unilateral	Intermediate	£360.00	£165.00
C6230	Laser iridotomy – bilateral	Intermediate	£420.00	£225.00
C6410	Repair of prolapsed iris	Major	£550.00	£220.00
C6420	Excision of lesion of iris	Major	£550.00	£220.00
C6450	Removal of foreign body from iris	Major	£550.00	£220.00
C6610	Ciliary body ablation	Intermediate	£360.00	£165.00
C6710	Cyclodialysis (separation of ciliary body)	Major	£500.00	£220.00
C6720	Laser treatment for glaucoma e.g. Cyclodiode	Intermediate	£350.00	£0.00
C6910	Reformation of anterior chamber	Major	£450.00	£220.00
C6920	Paracentesis	Intermediate	£300.00	£165.00
C6930	Injection into anterior chamber (including topical or local anaesthetic)	Minor	£150.00	£0.00
C6940	Irrigation/aspiration of anterior chamber	Minor	£150.00	£150.00
C6980	Removal of foreign body from anterior chamber	Intermediate	£350.00	£165.00

C6990	Insertion of valve into anterior chamber of eye	Major	£500.00	£220.00
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4.9 Lens

CCSD code	Description	Complexity	Specialist fee	Anaesthetist fee
C7100	Extracapsular cataract extraction without implant - bilateral	Xmajor	£ 700.00	£ 440.00
C7110	Extracapsular cataract extraction without implant - unilateral	Major	£ 350.00	£ 220.00
C7122	Ultrasound phacoemulsification of cataract, with lens implant - unilateral (including topical or local anaesthetic)	Intermediate	£ 350.00	£ 220.00
C7123	Phacoemulsification of cataract, without lens implant - unilateral (including topical or local anaesthetic)	Intermediate	£ 350.00	£ 220.00
C7124	Phacoemulsification of cataracts, without lens implant - bilateral (including topical or local anaesthetic)	Major	£ 525.00	£ 440.00
C7125	Ultrasound phacoemulsification of cataracts, with lens implant - bilateral (including topical or local anaesthetic)	Major	£ 525.00	£ 440.00
C7180	Extracapsular cataract extraction with implant - unilateral	Major	£ 350.00	£ 220.00
C7190	Extracapsular cataract extraction with implant - bilateral	Xmajor	£ 750.00	£ 440.00
C7210	Paediatric cataract involving lensectomy without lens implant - unilateral	Intermediate	£ 350.00	£ 220.00
C7211	Paediatric cataract Involving lensectomy without lens implant - bilateral	Major	£ 525.00	£ 440.00
C7212	Paediatric cataract involving lensectomy with lens implant - unilateral	Intermediate	£ 350.00	£ 220.00
C7213	Paediatric cataract involving lensectomy with lens implant - bilateral	Major	£ 525.00	£ 440.00
C7214	Paediatric cataract involving lens aspiration and implant - unilateral	Intermediate	£ 350.00	£ 220.00
C7215	Paediatric cataract involving lens aspiration and implant - bilateral	Major	£ 525.00	£ 440.00
C7340	Yag laser photodisruption of posterior capsule of lens (including laser capsulotomy) - unilateral	Minor	£ 200.00	£ 165.00
C7341	Yag laser photodisruption of posterior capsule of lens (including laser capsulotomy) - bilateral	Intermediate	£ 300.00	£ 240.00
C7510	Secondary insertion of lens implant	Major	£ 350.00	£ 220.00
C7520	Lens implant/exchange	Major	£ 350.00	£ 220.00
C7530	Removal of lens implant	Intermediate	£ 200.00	£ 200.00

4.10 Vitreous

CCSD code	Description	Complexity	Specialist fee	Anaesthetist fee
C7910	Anterior vitrectomy	Major	£500.00	£275.00
C7920	Pars plana vitrectomy with internal tamponade, scleral buckling and retinopexy without dissection or excision of epiretinal membrane/macular surgery	Xmajor	£650.00	£440.00
C7922	Pars plana vitrectomy/vitreous biopsy	Major	£550.00	£440.00
C7923	Intravitreal injection of pharmaceutical for neovascular age related macular degeneration	Minor	£350.00	£0.00
C7924	Intravitreal injection of pharmaceutical for central retinal vein occlusion	Minor	£350.00	£0.00
C7940	Intravitreal injection of pharmaceutical agent	Minor	£350.00	£0.00
C7982	Pars plana vitrectomy with internal tamponade, scleral buckling and retinopexy, with dissection or excision of epiretinal membrane/macular surgery	Complex	£1,300.00	£660.00

4.11 Retina

CCSD code	Description	Complexity	Specialist fee	Anaesthetist fee
C5432	Conventional retinal surgery (may include scleral buckling, injection of gas, drainage and retinopexy)	Xmajor	£600.00	£275.00
C5480	Removal of silicone oil	Intermediate	£250.00	£165.00
C8200	Laser photocoagulation/cryotherapy of lesion of retina	Intermediate	£300.00	£165.00
C8240	Photodynamic therapy to the retina (PDT)	Intermediate	£200.00	£165.00
C8440	Retinal examination under anaesthetic (including retinopexy if necessary)	Minor	£150.00	£110.00
C8810	Transpupillary thermotherapy for intraocular tumours	Intermediate	£200.00	£125.00

4.12 General

CCSD code	Description	Complexity	Specialist fee	Anaesthetist fee
C8650	Fluorescein angiography of eye (including ocular photography)	Minor	£ 100.00	£ 100.00
C8654	Insertion of radioactive plaque into eye (including later removal)	Major	£ 500.00	£ 220.00