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2025 reimbursement guide | basivertebral nerve ablation

# OptaBlate® radiofrequency generator system



		Physicia	an fees²	Relative value units (RVUs) <sup>2</sup>			Hospital outpatient			Ambulatory surgery center (ASC)	
CPT code <sup>1</sup>	Description	Payment in office	Payment in facility	Non- facility RVUs	Facility RVUs	Work RVUs	Device codes <sup>3</sup>	Ambulatory payment classification (APC) <sup>4</sup>	APC payment <sup>1</sup>	ASC payment <sup>4</sup>	ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes <sup>5</sup>
Ablation											
64628	Thermal destruction of intraosseous basivertebral nerve, including all imaging guidance; first two vertebral bodies, lumbar or sacral	N/A	\$399	N/A	12.34	7.15	C1889 Implantable/ insertable	5115	\$12,867	\$9,524	M47.816 – Spondylosis without myelopathy or radiculopathy, lumbar region  M47.817 – Spondylosis without myelopathy or radiculopathy, lumbosacral region  M51.36 – Other intervertebral disc
64629	Thermal destruction of intraosseous basivertebral nerve, including all imaging guidance; each additional vertebral body, lumbar or sacral (list separately in addition to code for primary procedure)	N/A	\$188	N/A	5.82	3.77	device, not otherwise classified	N/A	Bundled	Bundled	degeneration, lumbar region  M51.37 – Other intervertebral disc degeneration, lumbosacral region  M54.50 – Low back pain  M54.51 – Vertebrogenic low back pain; low back pain vertebral endplate pain

#### References

- 1. Current Procedural Terminology 2024, American Medical Association. Chicago, IL 2024. CPT is a registered trademark of the American Medical Association. Current Procedural Terminology(CPT®) is copyright 2024. American Medical Association. All Rights Reserved. Applicable FARS/DFARS apply.
- 2. 2025 CMS PFS Final Rule, Addendum B (published November 1, 2024). Medicare national average physician payment rates listed in this document are based on the November 2024 release of the relative value file and conversion factor of 32.3465. https://www.cms.gov/medicare/payment/fee-schedules/physician/federal-regulation-notices/cms-1807-f.
- 3. Device Category Codes. Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 4 Section 60.4.2
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#### **Notes**

• CPT code 64629 has been assigned a Medically Unlikely Edit (MUE). Due to the edit, a fourth vertebral body may be denied. An appeal may be required for medically reasonable and necessary units more than the MUE.

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