

2026 CPT Addendum to Cardiology & Radiology Imaging Guidelines

This addendum serves as notice to revised content within EviCore's Cardiology and Radiology Imaging Guidelines as a result of the 2026 AMA CPT® code updates. The v2.0.2026 guidelines are revised to include these code updates effective September 1, 2026. This crosswalk addresses where criteria for the CPT codes replaced as of January 1, 2026 can be accessed in the current posted guideline.

Guideline	CPT® 2025	CPT® 2026	Description	Action	Guideline Sections
Radiology	70496, 70498	70471	Computed tomographic angiography (CTA), head and neck, with contrast material(s), including non-contrast images, when performed, and imaging postprocessing.	70471 is a new code that can be used when criteria has been met for CTA Head (70496) with CTA Neck (70498) in place of using both codes.	PVD-2.2, 3.2, 6.7 HD-1.5, 5.4, 5.5, 6.1, 11.3, 11.11, 12.1, 12.2, 14.1, 14.2, 14.3, 21.1, 21.5, 22.1, 23.1, 23.2, 25.1, 27.2, 32.1 PEDHD-1.3, 10.2, 12.2, 12.7, 16.5, 29.1

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Radiology	0042T	70472	Computed tomographic (CT) cerebral perfusion analysis with contrast material(s), including image postprocessing performed with concurrent CT or CT angiography of the same anatomy.	70472 and 70473 are permanent codes replacing 0042T.	HD-21.1, 21.5, 24.5 PEDHD-1.4, 10.1
Radiology	0042T	70473	Computed tomographic (CT) cerebral perfusion analysis with contrast material(s), including imaging postprocessing performed without concurrent CT or CT angiography of the same anatomy.	70472 and 70473 are permanent codes replacing 0042T.	HD-21.1, 21.5, 24.5 PEDHD-1.4, 10.1

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Radiology	-	C8001	3D anatomical segmentation imaging for preoperative planning, data preparation and transmission, obtained from previous diagnostic computed tomographic or magnetic resonance examination of the same anatomy.	This is a net new code that will be added.	-

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Radiology	0623T, 0624T, 0625T, 0626T	75577	Quantification and characterization of coronary atherosclerotic plaque to assess severity of coronary disease, derived from augmentative software analysis of the data set from a coronary computed tomographic angiography, with interpretation and report by a physician or other qualified health care professional	75577 is permanent code that will be replacing the four category III codes 0623T-0626T. There is no change to the criteria for this study related to the code update. Continue to use the current guideline section Coronary CTA plaque quantification for consideration of this study.	Coronary CTA plaque quantification (CD-4.5)

Guideline	CPT® 2025	CPT® 2026	Description	Action	Guideline Sections
Cardiology	0266T	64654	Initial open implantation of baroreflex activation therapy (BAT) modulation system, including lead placement onto the carotid sinus, lead tunnelling, connection to a pulse generator placed in a distant subcutaneous pocket (ie, total system), and intraoperative interrogation and programming	64654 is permanent code that will be replacing the category III code 0266T. There is no change to the criteria for this study related to the code update. Continue to use the Baroreflex Activation Therapy section for this device until v1.0.2026.	Baroreflex Activation Therapy (CRID-11.6)