

Gastrointestinal Endoscopy Procedures

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Coverage Rationale

Oxford requires prior authorization and medical necessity reviews for gastrointestinal (GI) endoscopy procedures, that may include a site of service review. Refer to the Clinical Policy titled [Outpatient Surgical Procedures – Site of Service](#).

To prior authorize a gastrointestinal (GI) endoscopy procedure, contact via one of the two options listed below:

- Providers can call us at 1-877-PRE-AUTH (1-877-773-2884); or
- Providers can log onto our web page using the [Prior Authorization and Notification App](#).

The authorization number is valid for 90 calendar days. It is specific to the endoscopy procedure requested, to be performed one time, for one date of service within the 90-day period.

Oxford has established an infrastructure to support the review, development, and implementation of comprehensive gastrointestinal (GI) endoscopy procedures criteria. The evidence-based guidelines and management criteria are available on the web site at [Gastroenterology Endoscopy Prior Authorization and Notification](#).

Applicable Codes

The following list(s) of procedure and/or diagnosis codes is provided for reference purposes only and may not be all inclusive. Listing of a code in this policy does not imply that the service described by the code is a covered or non-covered health service. Benefit coverage for health services is determined by the member specific benefit plan document and applicable laws that may require coverage for a specific service. The inclusion of a code does not imply any right to reimbursement or guarantee claim payment. Other Policies may apply.

CPT Codes	Description
Upper Gastrointestinal Endoscopy Procedures	
43200	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; diagnostic, including collection of specimen(s) by brushing or washing, when performed (separate procedure)
43201	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with directed submucosal injection(s), any substance
43202	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with biopsy, single or multiple
43204	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with injection sclerosis of esophageal varices
43205	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with band ligation of esophageal varices

CPT Codes	Description
Upper Gastrointestinal Endoscopy Procedures	
43211	Esophagoscopy flexible transoral mucosal resection
43212	Esophagoscopy transoral stent placement
43213	Esophagoscopy retrograde dilate balloon/other
43214	Esophagoscopy dilate esophagus balloon 30 mm
43215	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with removal of foreign body(s)
43216	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by hot biopsy forceps
43217	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by snare technique
43220	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with transendoscopic balloon dilation (less than 30 mm diameter)
43226	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with insertion of guide wire followed by passage of dilator(s) over guide wire
43227	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with control of bleeding, any method
43229	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with ablation of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) (includes pre- and post-dilation and guide wire passage, when performed)
43233	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with dilation of esophagus with balloon (30 mm diameter or larger) (includes fluoroscopic guidance, when performed)
43235	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; diagnostic, including collection of specimen(s) by brushing or washing, when performed (separate procedure)
43236	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with directed submucosal injection(s), any substance
43239	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with biopsy, single or multiple
43241	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with insertion of intraluminal tube or catheter
43243	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with injection sclerosis of esophageal/gastric varices
43244	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with band ligation of esophageal/gastric varices
43245	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with dilation of gastric/duodenal stricture(s) (e.g., balloon, bougie)
43246	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with directed placement of percutaneous gastrostomy tube
43247	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with removal of foreign body(s)
43248	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with insertion of guide wire followed by passage of dilator(s) through esophagus over guide wire
43249	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with transendoscopic balloon dilation of esophagus (less than 30 mm diameter)
43250	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by hot biopsy forceps
43251	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by snare technique
43254	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with endoscopic mucosal resection
43255	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with control of bleeding, any method
43266	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with placement of endoscopic stent (includes pre- and post-dilation and guide wire passage, when performed)
43270	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with ablation of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) (includes pre- and post-dilation and guide wire passage, when performed)

CPT Codes	Description
Upper Gastrointestinal Endoscopy Procedures	
91110	Gastrointestinal tract imaging, intraluminal (e.g., capsule endoscopy), esophagus through ileum, with interpretation and report
91111	Gastrointestinal tract imaging, intraluminal (e.g., capsule endoscopy), esophagus with interpretation and report
Lower Gastrointestinal Endoscopy Procedures, Colonoscopy	
44388	Colonoscopy through stoma; diagnostic, including collection of specimen(s) by brushing or washing, when performed (separate procedure)
44389	Colonoscopy through stoma; with biopsy, single or multiple
44390	Colonoscopy through stoma; with removal of foreign body(s)
44391	Colonoscopy through stoma; with control of bleeding, any method
44392	Colonoscopy through stoma; with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by hot biopsy forceps
44394	Colonoscopy through stoma; with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by snare technique
44401	Colonoscopy through stoma; with ablation of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) (includes pre-and post-dilation and guide wire passage, when performed)
44402	Colonoscopy through stoma; with endoscopic stent placement (including pre- and post-dilation and guide wire passage, when performed)
44403	Colonoscopy through stoma; with endoscopic mucosal resection
44404	Colonoscopy through stoma; with directed submucosal injection(s), any substance
44405	Colonoscopy through stoma; with transendoscopic balloon dilation
45378	Colonoscopy, flexible; diagnostic, including collection of specimen(s) by brushing or washing, when performed (separate procedure)
45379	Colonoscopy, flexible; with removal of foreign body(s)
45380	Colonoscopy, flexible; with biopsy, single or multiple
45381	Colonoscopy, flexible; with directed submucosal injection(s), any substance
45382	Colonoscopy, flexible; with control of bleeding, any method
45384	Colonoscopy, flexible; with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by hot biopsy forceps
45385	Colonoscopy, flexible; with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by snare technique
45386	Colonoscopy, flexible; with transendoscopic balloon dilation
45388	Colonoscopy, flexible; with ablation of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) (includes pre- and post-dilation and guide wire passage, when performed)
45389	Colonoscopy, flexible; with endoscopic stent placement (includes pre- and post-dilation and guide wire passage, when performed)
45390	Colonoscopy, flexible; with endoscopic mucosal resection
45393	Colonoscopy, flexible; with decompression (for pathologic distention) (e.g., volvulus, megacolon), including placement of decompression tube, when performed
45398	Colonoscopy, flexible; with band ligation(s) (e.g., hemorrhoids)
91113	Gastrointestinal tract imaging, intraluminal (e.g., capsule endoscopy), colon, with interpretation and report

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Gastrointestinal Endoscopy Crosswalk

The chart below contains a mapping of CPT® codes that are interchangeable for prior authorization. If a provider obtains prior authorization for a procedure that corresponds with the Crosswalk, then the substitution is appropriate.

Prior Authorization Given for this CPT Code		Claim is Submitted with this CPT Code
CPT Code	Procedure Description	Code Billed
43200	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; diagnostic, including collection of specimen(s) by brushing or washing, when performed (separate procedure)	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43201	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with directed submucosal injection(s), any substance	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43202	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with biopsy, single or multiple	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43204	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with injection sclerosis of esophageal varices	43200, 43201, 43202, 43404, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43205	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with band ligation of esophageal varices	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43405, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43211	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with endoscopic mucosal resection	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43212	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with placement of endoscopic stent (includes pre- and post-dilation and guide wire passage, when performed)	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43213	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with dilation of esophagus, by balloon or dilator, retrograde (includes fluoroscopic guidance, when performed)	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43214	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with dilation of esophagus with balloon (30 mm diameter or larger) (includes fluoroscopic guidance, when performed)	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43215	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with removal of foreign body(s)	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270

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43216	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by hot biopsy forceps	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43127	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by snare technique	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43220	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with transendoscopic balloon dilation (less than 30 mm diameter)	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43226	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with insertion of guide wire followed by passage of dilator(s) over guide wire	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43227	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with control of bleeding, any method	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43229	Esophagoscopy, flexible, transoral; with ablation of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) (includes pre- and post-dilation and guide wire passage, when performed)	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43233	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with dilation of esophagus with balloon (30 mm diameter or larger) (includes fluoroscopic guidance, when performed)	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43235	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; diagnostic, including collection of specimen(s) by brushing or washing, when performed (separate procedure)	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43236	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with directed submucosal injection(s), any substance	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43239	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with biopsy, single or multiple	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270

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43241	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with insertion of intraluminal tube or catheter	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43243	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with injection sclerosis of esophageal/gastric varices	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43244	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with band ligation of esophageal/gastric varices	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43245	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with dilation of gastric/duodenal stricture(s) (e.g., balloon, bougie)	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43246	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with directed placement of percutaneous gastrostomy tube	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43247	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with removal of foreign body(s)	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43248	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with insertion of guide wire followed by passage of dilator(s) through esophagus over guide wire	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43249	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with transendoscopic balloon dilation of esophagus (less than 30 mm diameter)	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43250	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by hot biopsy forceps	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43251	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by snare technique	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270

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43254	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with endoscopic mucosal resection	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43255	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with control of bleeding, any method	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43266	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with placement of endoscopic stent (includes pre- and post-dilation and guide wire passage, when performed)	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
43270	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, flexible, transoral; with ablation of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) (includes pre- and post-dilation and guide wire passage, when performed)	43200, 43201, 43202, 43204, 43205, 43211, 43212, 43213, 43214, 43215, 43216, 43217, 43220, 43226, 43227, 43229, 43233, 43235, 43236, 43239, 43241, 43243, 43244, 43245, 43246, 43247, 43248, 43249, 43250, 43251, 43254, 43255, 43266, 43270
44388	Colonoscopy through stoma; diagnostic, including collection of specimen(s) by brushing or washing, when performed (separate procedure)	44388; 44389; 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398
44389	Colonoscopy through stoma; with biopsy, single or multiple	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398
44390	Colonoscopy through stoma; with removal of foreign body(s)	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398
44391	Colonoscopy through stoma; with control of bleeding, any method	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398
44392	Colonoscopy through stoma; with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by hot biopsy forceps	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398
44394	Colonoscopy through stoma; with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by snare technique	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398
44401	Colonoscopy through stoma; with ablation of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) (includes pre- and post-dilation and guide wire passage, when performed)	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398
44402	Colonoscopy through stoma; with endoscopic stent placement (including pre- and post-dilation and guide wire passage, when performed)	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398

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44403	Colonoscopy through stoma; with endoscopic mucosal resection	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398
44404	Colonoscopy through stoma; with directed submucosal injection(s), any substance	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398
44405	Colonoscopy through stoma; with transendoscopic balloon dilation	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398
45378	Colonoscopy, flexible; diagnostic, including collection of specimen(s) by brushing or washing, when performed (separate procedure)	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398
45379	Colonoscopy, flexible; with removal of foreign body(s)	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398
45380	Colonoscopy, flexible; with biopsy, single or multiple	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398
45381	Colonoscopy, flexible; with directed submucosal injection(s), any substance	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398
45382	Colonoscopy, flexible; with control of bleeding, any method	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398
45384	Colonoscopy, flexible; with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by hot biopsy forceps	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398
45385	Colonoscopy, flexible; with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by snare technique	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398
45386	Colonoscopy, flexible; with transendoscopic balloon dilation	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398
45388	Colonoscopy, flexible; with ablation of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) (includes pre- and post-dilation and guide wire passage, when performed)	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398
45389	Colonoscopy, flexible; with endoscopic stent placement (includes pre- and post-dilation and guide wire passage, when performed)	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398
45390	Colonoscopy, flexible; with endoscopic mucosal resection	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398

Prior Authorization Given for this CPT Code		Claim is Submitted with this CPT Code
CPT Code	Procedure Description	Code Billed
45393	Colonoscopy, flexible; with decompression (for pathologic distention) (e.g., volvulus, megacolon), including placement of decompression tube, when performed	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398
45398	Colonoscopy, flexible; with band ligation(s) (e.g., hemorrhoids)	44388, 44389, 44390, 44391, 44392, 44394, 44401, 44402, 44403, 44404, 44405, 45378, 45379, 45380, 45381, 45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388, 45389, 45390, 45393, 45398

Description of Services

The following endoscopy procedures may require prior authorization:

- Esophagogastroduodenoscopy (EGD)
- Capsule endoscopy
- Colonoscopy

Policy History/Revision Information

Date	Summary of Changes
06/01/2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Clinical Policy

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