

OTOLARYNGOLOGY

These listings cannot be correctly interpreted without reference to the Preamble.

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Referred Cases		
02510	Consultation: To include history, detailed examination of the ear, nose, and throat, review of x-ray and laboratory findings, and written report	66.14
02511	Consultation with pure tone audiogram	81.77
02514	Repeat or limited consultation: To apply where a consultation is repeated for same condition within six months of the last visit by the consultant, or where in the judgment of the consultant the consultative service does not warrant a full consultative fee.	39.58
02512	Special consultation for dizziness: To apply where a patient has been referred by an Otolaryngologist or a Neurologist or a Neurosurgeon and to include all special examinations and an appropriate neurological assessment and a written report	145.47
02513	Consultation for management of malignancy	95.23
	Notes:	
	<i>i) Payable to the surgeon in charge.</i>	
	<i>ii) Not payable for minor or superficial skin malignancies.</i>	
	<i>iii) Applicable to new malignancy or recurrence of malignancy in remission.</i>	
T02515	Otolaryngic Allergy Consultation	126.99
	Notes:	
	<i>(a) T02515 includes appropriate diagnostic skin testing (by conventional method or titration technique)</i>	
	<i>(b) T02515 is payable only to certified Otolaryngologists who are also certified with the American Academy of Otolaryngic Allergy.</i>	

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Continuing care by consultant:

02507	Subsequent office visit	25.95
02508	Subsequent hospital visit	21.36
02509	Subsequent home visit.....	42.80
02505	Emergency visit when specially called (not paid in addition to out-of-office-hours premiums).....	85.47

Note: Claim must state time call placed.

Special Examinations

The following fees, except for items 02520 and 02521, apply when these special otolaryngological examinations are carried out by or under the supervision of a certified otolaryngologist.

Note: When two or more special examinations are performed by a specialist Otolaryngologist on the same visit, the major examination is to be charged in full and the lesser examinations to be charged at 50%, up to a maximum of three examinations (not to include an audiogram [AC and BC] if done as a part of a consultation). No charge will be made for an office visit in addition to these special examinations when examination is done as an adjunct to a consultation.

Hearing tests:

02520	Audiogram - pure tone (AC and BC)	15.01
02521	Audiogram - speech (SRT,PB, MCL)	16.37
02525	Impedance test.....	8.78
02531	Impedance test, including contralateral reflex.....	17.29
02532	PI-PB test.....	6.06
02533	Play audiometry.....	23.41
02534	Free field audiometry	23.41
02536	Brain stem evoked response audiometry	45.87

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02541	Electrocochleography	49.96
02539	Brain stem evoked response audiometry with electrocochleography.....	66.28
	<i>Note: Only one additional specialist examination can be billed in addition to this item.</i>	
<u>Vestibular tests:</u>		
02526	Cold calorics test	10.80
02527	Bithermal test	23.41
02528	E.N.G. (Electronystagmography).....	46.20
	<i>Note: To control the total cost involved in extensive patient investigation, the following recommendation applies: Vestibular tests performed on a subsequent visit should have a maximum fee limitation equal to the value of fee item 02528 to be paid directly in lieu of return visit.</i>	
<u>Functional tests:</u>		
02529	Lombard	10.99
02530	Stenger.....	23.41
02542	Measurement of autoacoustic emissions	31.23
<u>Miscellaneous tests:</u>		
	<i>Note: See also Y00907, Y00908 under Diagnostic Procedures</i>	
02538	Laryngostroboscopy	71.42
02535	Maxillary sinus endoscopy via canine fossa, with or without biopsy.....	113.55 3
02540	Flexible nasopharyngoscopy with video fluoroscopy.....	61.04 3

Ear

Removal of foreign body or aerating tubes
from ear - simpleper. visit

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02221	Microscopic debridement, foreign body removal, or aural polyp removal - with local anesthesia	25.89	2
02223	- under general anesthesia	60.90	2
	<i>Note: 02221 and 02223 are not payable with 02254 and 02274.</i>		
02206	Removal of ear canal osteoma (operation only)	79.19	2
02209	Removal of obstructing exostosis of the ear canal	462.90	3
02210	Paracentesis of the ear drum (operation only)	42.63	2
02233	Transmastoid facial nerve decompression - vertical and horizontal segment	1,076.87	4
02234	- vertical segment	560.37	4
02224	Transcanal labyrinthotomy transmastoid for posterior semicircular canal occlusion.	209.00	4
02241	Labyrinthectomy - drill out of petrous bone	548.17	4
02242	Microsurgical repair and reconstruction soft tissue atresia, external ear canal - complete	760.14	3
	<i>Note: Includes skin grafting or flap.</i>		
02243	Repair atresia external ear canal, complete, bony .	1,011.07	3
02244	Repair stenosis external ear canal, bony	584.72	3
02245	Microsurgical repair and reconstruction soft tissue stenosis - external ear canal	633.44	3
	<i>Note: Includes skin grafting or flap.</i>		
02231	Microsurgical revision and reconstruction, soft tissue stenosis - external ear.	506.75	3
	<i>Note: Includes skin grafting or flap.</i>		
02247	Mastoidectomy - partial, canal wall up (Cortical)	584.72	3
02248	Radical mastoidectomy	743.07	4
02249	Stapes-reconstruction	584.72	3
02250	- mobilization of	341.07	3
02246	- reconstruction with laser	633.44	3
02251	Myringoplasty repair of drum - without exploration of middle ear	182.72	3

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02239	Tympanotomy - with ossicular chain reconstruction	341.07 3
02252	Tympanoplasty - without ossicular chain reconstruction (repair of ear drum as well as inspection of middle ear by means of a tympanotomy)	426.36 3
02264	- with ossicular chain reconstruction	645.63 3
02276	- lateral graft, homograft tympanic membrane	645.63 3
	<i>Note: Applicable to adhesive otitis media or total perforation.</i>	
02253	Tympanomastoidectomy - Complete, canal wall down, including tympanoplasty.....	986.72 3
02265	- partial, canal wall down (atticotomy).....	584.72 3
02263	Trans-tympanic polyneurectomy	316.71 3
02254	Myringotomy with insertion of aerating tube (operation only) - unilateral.....	79.19 2
02274	- bilateral	121.82 2
02255	Exploratory tympanotomy	225.37 2
02261	- with chemical control, tac procedure, cryosurgical control, ultrasound	371.54 3
02266	Myringoplasty - paper patch or synthetic	42.63 2
02256	Endolymphatic shunt, any procedure	828.34 6
02259	Excision of glomus - by tympanotomy approach	645.63 3
02260	- where extensive dissection is required.....	836.63 6
02269	Implantable bone conductor	448.49 4
02267	Conchal cartilage graft	304.53 3
02268	Intra-cochlear implant	925.81 4
02270	Transmastoid - posterior semicircular canal occlusion.....	760.14 4
	<i>Note: Includes mastoidectomy plus identification of facial nerve.</i>	
02271	Transmastoid microsurgical removal of facial neuroma via extended facial recess approach.....	1,900.33 5
	Notes:	
	i) Includes resection and removal of tumour with facial nerve preservation.	
	ii) Payable only to certified Otolaryngologists.	

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02272	Transmastoid microsurgical removal of middle ear/mastoid tumour	1,140.20	5
	Notes:		
	<i>i) Requires extensive dissection, ossicular disarticulation and reconstruction, and extended facial recess approach to the hypotympanum.</i>		
	<i>ii) Applicable to tympanomastoid glomus and facial nerve tumours requiring resection of the facial nerve.</i>		
02273	Microsurgical tympanomastoidectomy - complete, canal wall up.	1,076.87	5
	Note: <i>Includes tympanoplasty and ossicular reconstruction.</i>		

Nose and Sinuses

	Removal of foreign body from nose: - simple.....		per. visit
02301	Removal of foreign body from nose - complicated with anesthetic	60.90	3
	Cauterization of septum - chemical		per. visit
02303	Cauterization of septum - electric.....	36.54	3
	Cryosurgical treatment of turbinates:		
02298	- unilateral	146.17	3
02299	- bilateral	182.72	3
02304	Turbinectomy - unilateral.....	91.35	3
02305	- bilateral	133.99	3
02306	Submucous resection of septum	158.35	3
02307	Naso-antral window - single.....	109.63	3
02308	- double.....	170.54	3
02309	Radical antrostomy	304.53	3
02310	- with closure of alveolar fistula.....	438.54	4
02360	Intranasal ethmoidotomy to include polypectomy, posterior - unilateral.....	341.07	3
02361	- bilateral	523.82	
02362	Intranasal ethmoidotomy, anterior - unilateral	182.72	3
02363	- bilateral	304.53	3

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02357	Endoscopic sinus surgery: Functional endoscopic sinus surgery in children under 14 years of age.....	384.55	
	Notes:		
	<i>i) Extra to fee items 02307, 02308, 02360, 02361.</i>		
	<i>ii) Payable at an additional 50% of the applicable surgical fee.</i>		
02315	External radical fronto-ethmoidectomy	560.37	4
	Electrocoagulation of turbinates:		
02317	- one side	48.72	3
02318	- both sides	73.08	3
02319	Trephining frontal sinus	243.63	3
02321	Sinus sphenoidotomy (intranasal)	255.83	3
	Removal of nasal polypi:		
02322	- unilateral	97.46	3
02323	- bilateral	158.35	3
02324	Antral lavage - unilateral	32.06	3
02325	- bilateral	48.09	3
	Choanal atresia, definitive repair of:		
02326	- unilateral	462.90	3
02327	- bilateral	645.63	4
	Choanal atresia; perforation of:		
02328	- unilateral	158.35	3
02329	- bilateral	219.26	4
02336	Laser revision of choanal stenosis	126.69	4
	Submucous turbinectomy:		
02330	- unilateral	158.35	3
02331	- bilateral	243.63	3
	Lateral rhinotomy and excision tumour:		
02332	- benign.....	560.37	3
02333	Lateral rhinotomy and/or medical maxillectomy for excision of nasal tumor	596.90	3
	Notes:		
	<i>i) To include open or endoscopic techniques</i>		
	<i>ii) Not payable for polps.</i>		
02334	Transantral ethmoidectomy	462.90	3
02335	Transantral ligation, internal maxillary artery	487.27	6
02337	Ligation of anterior and posterior ethmoid arteries	304.53	6
02338	Removal of angiofibroma-nasal pharynx	706.52	6

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02342	Maxillectomy with exenteration of ethmoid.....	767.44	5
02339	Palatal fenestration	246.19	3
02343	Septal reconstruction	365.45	3
02341	Posterior nasal packing - to include balloon control of epistaxis (operation only)	60.90	3
02346	- with trans-oral gauze pack, under local, topical, or general anesthesia (operation only).....	95.01	3
02345	Drainage of abscess or haematoma of septum (operation only)	109.63	3
02347	External osteoplastic frontal flap operation.....	889.28	4
02364	Nasal fracture - simple reduction	60.90	3
02365	- reduction and splinting.....	121.82	3
06123	- comminuted nasal fractures – transosseous wire plate fixation.....	225.52	3
02348	Operative closure of oral-nasal fistula.....	341.07	3
02349	Operative closure of nasal septal perforation	487.27	3
02358	Revision endoscopic frontal sinusotomy, with or without C arm.....	443.41	3
02359	Revision endoscopic intranasal sphenoidotomy (anterior, middle and posterior cells including sphenoid).....	506.75	3
25300	Endoscopic resection of intranasal or sinus tumor - up to 7 hours operating time	1,000.00	6
25301	- additional payment after 7 hours operating time	250.00	

Notes:

- i) *Fee items 25300 and 25301 are payable only when pre-operative radiological imaging indicates either distorted anatomy of the sinuses secondary to disease or injury, or revised complex anatomy resulting from prior surgery, such that without stereotactic guidance, the surgery could not be performed.*
- ii) *Not payable for ethmoid disease, polypectomy or tumors affecting only one sinus.*
- iii) *Includes all surgery necessary to access tumor*
- iv) *Payable only when rendered in acute-care facility.*
- v) *Time over seven hours is payable under fee item 25301*
- vi) *Minimum of 3 hours surgery duration required to bill fee item 25300*
- vii) *A written report must be submitted with claims billed under these items.*

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25305 Endoscopic ligation – sphenopalatine artery	\$400.00	6
Notes:		
i) <i>Not payable in addition to fee item 02335.</i>		
ii) <i>Includes diagnostic endoscopy performed on</i>		
iii) <i>same day as surgery.</i>		
iii) <i>Not payable in addition to endoscopic tumor excision</i>		
<i>surgery.</i>		
25310 Endoscopic trans-nasal repair of CSF leak from		
anterior skull base.....	\$932.82	8
Notes:		
i) <i>Includes harvest of any tissue needed for the</i>		
<i>repair, including closure of any donor site.</i>		
ii) <i>Includes complete sphenoethmoidectomy or frontal</i>		
<i>sinusotomy or sinus trephine if required..</i>		
iii) <i>Iatrogenic injuries payable at 50%..</i>		
25315 Primary frontal sinusotomy	\$222.00	3
Notes:		
i) <i>Requires direct visualization of frontal sinus</i>		
<i>recess/ostium</i>		
ii) <i>Not to be billed in uncomplicated anterior</i>		
<i>ethmoidotomy</i>		
iii) <i>Frontal sinus disease must be present</i>		
<i>to bill this item.</i>		
iv) <i>Payable at 100% with fee items 02360,</i>		
<i>02361, 02362 or 02363.</i>		

Rhinoplasty

02351 Nasal refracture requiring lateral osteotomies	341.07	3
02352 Reconstruction of nasal tip, ala, and columella	401.99	3
02353 External reconstruction of nasal tip, ala and		
columella (such as for cleft lip or open trauma).....	538.43	3

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02354	Complete rhinoplasty with S.M.R. to include nasal hump removal, nasal refracture, and reconstruction of nasal tip, without skin grafting	584.72 3
02355	Complete rhinoplasty with SMR to include nasal hump removal, nasal refracture and external reconstruction of nasal tip without skin grafting.....	741.14 3

Throat

Incision of peritonsillar abscess:		
02447	- under local anesthetic	48.72 4
02444	- under general anesthetic	122.99 6
Tonsillectomy:		
02403	- under local anesthesia	246.07 4
02445	- adult or child over the age of 14 years	182.72 4
02446	- child age 14 years and under (to include neonate)	170.54 4
02413	Operative control of post-tonsillectomy or post-adenoidectomy haemorrhage requiring local or general anesthetic	158.35 6
02399	Cryotherapy of tonsils and oral lesions	109.63 3
02442	Adenoidectomy - adult or child over 14 years	122.99 4
02443	- child 14 years and under (neonate included).....	151.07 4
<i>Note: Office visits extra to 02442 and 02443, apart from usual one pre-operative and one post-operative visit.</i>		
02448	Retropharyngeal abscess - drainage under local anesthetic	121.82 4
02406	- requiring lateral pharyngotomy	231.44 6
02408	Removal of tumour from larynx or trachea	182.72 5
02409	Uvulo-palato-pharyngoplasty for obstructive sleep apnea confirmed by polysomnogram, with or without tonsillectomy	401.99 5
02410	Thyrotomy (including cordectomy)	487.27 5
02431	Hemilaryngectomy	1,382.27 6
02432	Supraglottic laryngectomy.....	1,504.21 6
02433	Vocal cord implant - injection	304.53 5

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02434 - external approach	609.09	5
02414 Repair laryngo-tracheal stenosis - to include skin grafting, stenting, and associated endoscopy	1,376.52	8
02449 Rigid oesophagoscopy for removal of foreign body	182.72	4
02450 Bronchoscopy or microlaryngoscopy with removal of foreign body	243.63	6
02422 - in a child under the age of 3 years	363.41	6
02418 Repair of fractured larynx – external approach	791.80	8
02420 Dilation of trachea	79.19	5
02421 - repeat within one month	36.54	5
02425 Arytenoidectomy	609.09	5
02437 Transphenoidal removal of pituitary tumour or hypophysectomy - two surgeons - otolaryngologist	584.72	8
02438 Trans-oral cricopharyngeal myotomy	401.99	5
02424 Tracheoesophageal puncture and insertion of voice prosthesis following laryngectomy	341.07	5
02440 Bilateral micro-transposition of submandibular salivary ducts when done with or without a microscope.	323.07	4
02441 O.R. standby fee for the ENT surgeon in the operating room for management of acute airway obstruction (for example, epiglottitis, allergic laryngeal edema, malignancy)	285.05	11
<i>Note: 02441 is not payable when tracheostomy is performed by the same surgeon at the same time. Bill under fee item 02407.</i>		
02451 Excision of congenital cyst or fistula from neck	401.99	4
02452 Sialolithotomy - simple, in duct	60.90	3
02453 - complicated, in gland	182.72	3
02454 Alveolectomy	182.72	3
02455 Excision of submandibular gland	304.53	4
02456 Salivary fistula - plastic to Stensen's duct	401.99	4
02457 Tongue tie - under general anesthetic	79.19	3
02458 Local excision tongue - under general anesthetic	158.35	3
02459 Excision cystic hygroma	523.82	4

Laryngeal Endoscopy and Surgery

02412	Biopsy of larynx and/or cauterization (including laryngoscopy)	121.82	5
02419	Direct or indirect laryngoscopy with foreign body removal	146.17	5
02423	Micro-laryngoscopy - with removal of non-pedunculated malignancy or extensive submucosal lesion	425.34	5
02428	Micro-laryngoscopy - with biopsy of larynx and/or cauterization	170.54	5
02429	Micro-laryngoscopy and removal of tumour from larynx or trachea	194.91	5
	Microsurgery with use of carbon dioxide laser for removal of tumour(s) of larynx or trachea:		
02430	- first procedure	425.34	6
02435	- subsequent procedure, each.....	425.34	6

Notes:

- i) Maximum of 5 subsequent procedures in 6 month period, otherwise support with written letter.*
- ii) Microsurgery treatment with CO2 laser other than removal of tumour(s) of larynx or trachea - bill under miscellaneous item 02599 with operative report.*

Skull Base Procedures

02262	Translabyrinthine approach for neurosurgical access exposure, closure with microscope	1,848.77	8
02610	Middle cranial fossa approach without petrosectomy - for trauma, neoplasm resection, nerve section/decompression.....	1,376.51	8

Notes:

- i) Includes exposure, removal and closure with microscope.*
- ii) May include extra-dural resection of lesion by Otolaryngologist.*

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02612 Middle cranial fossa approach – petrosectomy	1,842.68	8
02613 Middle cranial fossa approach – petrosectomy - procedure lasting longer than 8 hours.	2,303.22	8
<i>Note: 02612 and 02613 to include exposure, extra-dural removal and closure with microscope.</i>		
02614 Retrolabyrinthine approach for neurosurgical access - exposure, closure with microscope.	1,151.58	8
02618 Repair of CSF leak following skull base approach with mastoid obliteration - to include exposure, dissection and closure with microscope.	921.67	8
02622 Infra-temporal fossa approach to skull base - Otolaryngology fee.	1,842.68	8
02623 Infra-temporal fossa approach to skull base - Otolaryngology fee for procedure lasting longer than 8 hours.	2,303.22	8
<i>Notes:</i>		
<i>i) 02622 and 02623 to include exposure and closure with microscope.</i>		
<i>ii) May include extra-dural resection of lesion by Otolaryngologist.</i>		
<i>iii) Time is based on the cumulative time spent by the Otolaryngologist on the procedure</i>		

Diagnostic Procedures

S00701 Direct laryngoscopy - procedural fee	36.63	5
<i>Note: 00701 not payable with bronchoscopy, except when done under general anesthesia.</i>		
S00709 Oesophagoscopy - procedural fee	72.61	3
S00717 Micro-laryngoscopy - procedural fee	73.25	5
<i>Note: 00717 to be charged at 50% if performed with a surgical procedure (not payable in addition to fee items 02423, 02428 or 02429). 02429).</i>		

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S00745 Peripheral or subcutaneous lymph node biopsy		
- procedural fee	12.08	2
SY00907 Endoscopic flexible or rigid examination of the		
nose and nasopharynx - procedure only	32.13	3
SY00908 - procedure and biopsy	51.40	3
SY00909 Flexible fiberoptic nasopharyngolaryngoscopy	37.96	3

Notes:

i) Y00909 is not payable with 00700, 00702, Y00907, Y00908 and 02540.

ii) Payable only to certified Otolaryngologists.

Major Head and Neck Surgery

Note: The following procedures will be paid at 100% of the listed fees for each item when done as a team, or where two surgeons are involved. If more than one of the listed procedures is performed by the same physician, the greater procedure will be paid at 100% and all lesser procedures will be paid at 75%. Procedures when done in combination with fee item 06220 by a single surgeon will be paid at 75%.

02279 Resection base of tongue and/or tonsil and soft		
palate	1,839.45	6
02281 Conservative radical neck dissection.....	1,198.59	6
<i>Note: Includes radical neck dissection with full dissection and sparing of entire accessory nerve and generally sternomastoid muscle and internal jugular vein.</i>		
02470 Radical neck dissection	1,008.61	6
02471 Subtotal parotidectomy - with complete facial		
nerve dissection	804.01	4
02472 Total parotidectomy - with nerve dissection for		
malignancy or deep lobe tumour	925.81	4
02407 Tracheostomy	280.19	5

Note: Not applicable to cricothyrotomy puncture.

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02411	Laryngectomy total.....	1,260.31	6
02431	Hemilaryngectomy	1,382.27	6
02432	Supraglottic laryngectomy.....	1,504.21	6
02473	Laryngo-pharyngo-oesophagectomy - primary excision only	1,512.91	6
02476	Pharyngoesophageal anastomosis - re-establishment in neck by neck surgeon.....	609.09	5
02474	Transoral maxillectomy with skin graft.....	1,008.58	5
02282	Composite resection of tongue, mandible, radical neck dissection and tracheostomy	1,839.45	7
02477	Contralateral suprahyoid dissection	462.90	5
02600	Complete temporal bone resection, ENT fee.....	2,303.45	8
02601	Temporal bone resection for neoplasm, subtotal and lateral, to include mastoidectomy and excision of external auditory canal.....	1,151.71	8
02275	Glossectomy - subtotal with either division of mandible or transcervical resection	1,008.55	6
02280	Otolaryngological component of cranio facial resection for tumour of ethmoid or frontal sinus or orbit (in conjunction with a neurosurgeon (- see also fee code 03065)	2,303.45	8
	<i>Note: 02280 includes rhinotomy, ethmoidectomy, cribriform plate, and orbital exenteration</i>		
02478	Glossectomy - partial for carcinoma	353.27	6
02479	Transpalatal maxillectomy, ethmoidectomy, and sphenoidectomy.....	1,260.66	6
02480	Resection mandible, floor of mouth suprahyoid dissection and tracheostomy - malignancy	1,260.66	7