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CHAPTER 1

PROCEDURES ON
NERVOUS SYSTEM
(BLOCKS 1–86)

SKULL, MENINGES AND BRAIN

EXAMINATION

1 Examination of skull, meninges or brain

40903-00 Neuroendoscopy

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Intraventricular neuroendoscopy

Code also when performed:

- insertion of shunt (40003-00, 40003-01, 40003-02, 40003-03 [5])
- third ventriculostomy (40012-00, 40012-01 [19])

Excludes: that with biopsy (40903-01 [12])

40803-00 Intracranial stereotactic localisation

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Stereotactic localisation for:

- brachytherapy
- intracranial surgery
- radiosurgery

Includes: angiography
application of head frame
computer assisted coordinate
determination
computerised tomography [CT]
localisation
magnetic resonance imaging [MRI]
targeting
ventriculography

Code also when performed:

- brachytherapy (90764 [1791])
- burr holes NEC (39012-00 [7])
- intracranial electrode:
 - adjustment (40709-02 [6])
 - insertion (40709-00 [6])
 - replacement (40709-03 [6])
- radiosurgery (15600-00, 15600-01 [1789], 90764 [1791])

Code also:

- surgical procedure(s) performed

Excludes: functional stereotactic procedure
(40801-00 [27])
stereotactic:
• cingulotomy (40801-00 [27])
• pallidotomy (40801-00 [27])
• thalamotomy (40801-00 [27])

APPLICATION, INSERTION, REMOVAL

2 Cranial tap or puncture

39009-00 Tap for subdural haemorrhage

Tap through fontanelle

Excludes: drainage via burr holes (39600-00 [8])

39003-00 Cisternal puncture

39006-00 Ventricular puncture

Ventricular puncture through previously implanted catheter

39703-03 Aspiration of brain cyst

Excludes: drainage of infected cyst (39900-00 [8])

90000-00 Other cranial puncture

Aspiration of:

- subarachnoid space
 - subdural space NOS
- Cranial aspiration NOS

3 Insertion of intracranial cerebrospinal fluid devices

Replacement of cerebrospinal fluid devices

Revision of cerebrospinal fluid devices

39015-00 Insertion of external ventricular drain

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Excludes: insertion of ventricular cerebrospinal fluid shunt (40003-00, 40003-01, 40003-02 [5])

39015-01 Insertion of ventricular reservoir

Insertion of reservoir:

- Ommaya
- Rickham's

39015-02 Insertion of intracranial pressure [ICP] monitoring device, with monitoring

4 Removal of intracranial cerebrospinal fluid devices*Excludes:* that with replacement (39015 [3])

90001-00 Removal of external ventricular drain

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90001-01 Removal of ventricular reservoir

Removal of reservoir:

- Ommaya
- Rickham's

90001-02 Removal of intracranial pressure [ICP] monitoring device

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5 Irrigation, insertion or removal of intracranial cerebrospinal fluid shunt*Code also when performed:*

- neuroendoscopy (40903-00 [1])

Excludes: insertion of external ventricular drain (39015-00 [3])
revision of cerebrospinal fluid shunt (40009-00, 40009-01 [24])

- 90002-00 Irrigation of cerebrospinal fluid shunt
- 40003-00 Insertion of ventriculo-atrial shunt
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- 40003-01 Insertion of ventriculopleural shunt
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- 40003-02 Insertion of ventriculoperitoneal shunt
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Ventriculoperitoneostomy
- 40003-03 Insertion of ventricular shunt to other extracranial site
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- 40003-04 Insertion of cisternal shunt
Insertion of shunt:
 - cisterno-atrial
 - cisternoperitoneal
 - cisternopleural
- 40009-03 Removal of ventricular shunt
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Excludes: that with replacement (40009-00 [24])
- 40009-04 Removal of cisternal shunt
Excludes: that with replacement (40009-01 [24])

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6 Other application, insertion or removal procedures on skull, meninges or brain

- 51111-00 Insertion of skull calipers
Insertion of skull:
 - halo
 - tongs**Excludes:** with:
 - closed reduction of spine (51110-02 [1387])
 - immobilisation of spine NEC (51110-00 [1381])
- 40709-00 Insertion of intracranial electrode via burr holes
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Implantation of intracranial electrode(s)
Includes: insertion of extension wire connecting electrodes to neurostimulator that for:
 - deep brain stimulation [DBS]
 - stereo electroencephalography [SEEG]**Note:** Performed for:
 - epilepsy
 - multiple sclerosis
 - pain control
 - Parkinson's disease*Code also when performed:*
 - brain neuromodulation (deep brain stimulation) [DBS] (40709-04 [1880])
 - intracranial stereotactic localisation (40803-00 [1])
 - stereo electroencephalography [SEEG] (92011-01 [1825])
 - subcutaneous implantation of neurostimulator (39134-01 [1604])
- 40712-00 Insertion of intracranial electrode via craniotomy
Includes: insertion of extension wire connecting electrodes to neurostimulator subdural grids and strips
Note: Performed for:
 - epilepsy
 - multiple sclerosis
 - pain control
 - Parkinson's disease
- 40709-02 Adjustment of intracranial electrodes via burr holes
Revision of intracranial electrodes via burr holes
Includes: revision of extension wire connecting electrodes to neurostimulator that for:
 - deep brain stimulation [DBS]
 - stereo electroencephalography [SEEG]*Code also when performed:*
 - brain neuromodulation (deep brain stimulation) [DBS] (40709-04 [1880])
 - intracranial stereotactic localisation (40803-00 [1])

- 40709-03 Replacement of intracranial electrodes via burr holes
Includes: replacement of extension wire connecting electrodes to neurostimulator that for:
- deep brain stimulation [DBS]
 - stereo electroencephalography [SEEG]
- Code also when performed:*
- brain neuromodulation (deep brain stimulation) [DBS] (40709-04 [1880])
 - intracranial stereotactic localisation (40803-00 [1])
- 40712-02 Adjustment of intracranial electrodes via craniotomy
 Revision of intracranial electrodes via craniotomy
Includes: revision of extension wire connecting electrodes to neurostimulator
- 40712-03 Replacement of intracranial electrodes via craniotomy
Includes: replacement of extension wire connecting electrodes to neurostimulator
- 40709-01 Removal of intracranial electrode via burr holes
Includes: removal of extension wire connecting electrodes to neurostimulator that for:
- deep brain stimulation [DBS]
 - stereo electroencephalography [SEEG]
- Excludes:* that with replacement (40709-03 [6])
- 40712-01 Removal of intracranial electrode via craniotomy
Includes: removal of extension wire connecting electrodes to neurostimulator
Excludes: that with replacement (40712-03 [6])

INCISION

- 7** **Incisional exploration of meninges or brain**
- 39012-00 Burr holes
 Burr holes for:
- brachytherapy
 - inspection purpose
- Intracranial exploration
Excludes: that as operative approach for surgery — omit code

8 Intracranial drainage

- Includes:* that via burr hole
Excludes: cerebrospinal fluid shunt (40003 [5], 40000-00, 40012 [19])
- 39900-00 Drainage of intracranial infection
 Drainage of:
- infected brain cyst
 - intracranial abscess
- Excludes:* postoperative reopening of craniotomy or craniectomy site (39721-00 [10])
- 39600-00 Drainage of intracranial haemorrhage
 Drainage of haemorrhage:
- extradural
 - intracerebral
 - subdural
- Excludes:* postoperative reopening of craniotomy or craniectomy site (39721-00 [10])
 removal of intracranial haematoma:
- via osteoplastic craniotomy (39603-00 [14])
 - with craniectomy (39603-01 [14])
- tap of subdural haemorrhage through fontanelle (39009-00 [2])
- 39703-01 Drainage of intracranial lesion or cyst
 Intracranial drainage NOS
Excludes: that of infected cyst (39900-00 [8])

9 Intracranial decompression

- 40015-00 Subtemporal decompression
- 39706-01 Decompression of intracranial tumour via osteoplastic craniotomy
Includes: osteoplastic flap
- 40106-00 Hind brain decompression
 Decompression:
- of Arnold-Chiari malformation
 - of Chiari malformation
- Includes:* duraplasty
- 40106-01 Posterior cranial fossa decompression
 Decompression for syringomyelia
Includes: craniotomy
 duraplasty
 laminectomy

10 Postoperative reopening of craniotomy or craniectomy site

- 39721-00 Postoperative reopening of craniotomy or craniectomy site
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- Decompression of oedema postoperative
 Postoperative drainage or removal:
- abscess
 - haematoma
 - haemorrhage
 - infection
- Includes:* removal of skull flap that via osteoplastic flap