

Resident Guide

Global Surgical Package

What's Included

Pre-operative evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Built into the surgical code (as well as postoperative care) ✓ 20000 codes: 10% pre-op, 69% intra-op, 21% post-op ✓ 60000 codes: 11% pre-op, 76% intra-op, 13% post-op
Pre-operative visits to discuss surgery or to obtain a consent (other than the day before the urgent procedure)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Office based, preoperative physical, consent, education ✓ Regardless of when the surgery is done
Pre-operative tasks on the day of surgery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Marking the patient, reviewing records, answering questions, positioning the patient, prep, drape
Skin-to-skin work	
Application of initial dressing, splint, cast	
Immediate post-operative care	
Subsequent inpatient hospital visits	
Discharge management	
Subsequent office visits	

What's NOT Included

Decision for surgery when the surgery is scheduled within 24 hours	
Visits for new problems	
Service by a physician from a different group during global period	
Additional procedures, due to complication from initial surgery or unrelated condition, requiring return to OR	
Evaluation after the global period	0-day (injections) 10-day (I and D, FB removal) or 90-day
Subsequent casts or splints after the one placed in the OR	
Diagnostic tests and procedures	
Staged procedures	

Resources

AAOS Global Service Data for Orthopaedic Surgery (GSD)	A two-volume publication containing all orthopaedic CPT codes, covering what is and is not covered in the global service package
National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI)	CMS' list of procedure-to-procedure edits, created to prevent inappropriate unbundling of services and overpayment
AAOS Code-X	A cloud-based software containing all the information from the GSD, as well as the actual NCCI edits from CMS