

## Optometry Coding & Billing Alert

### Fast Facts on 92135

OCT stands for "optical coherence tomography," and it's also sometimes called a retinal thickness analyzer (RTA). "Optometrists use the OCT to evaluate patients for early signs of eye diseases like glaucoma and macular degeneration," explains **David Gibson, OD, FAAO**, a practicing optometrist in Lubbock, Texas. "The laser technology can image structures beneath the surface of the retina, providing earlier detection than conventional viewing methods or even a visual field test."

Code OCT with **CPT 92135** (Scanning computerized ophthalmic diagnostic imaging [e.g., scanning laser] with interpretation and report, unilateral). Use this same code to report all scanning laser glaucoma tests (SLGT).

2008 National Medicare Physician **Fee Schedule** Allowable: \$44.18 when performed in the office.

Global period: N/A

Sample covered diagnosis codes include (note that this is not a complete list):

- 362.85 -- Retinal nerve fiber bundle defects
- 364.22 -- Glaucomatocyclitic crises
- 365.00 -- Preglaucoma, unspecified
- 365.04 -- Ocular hypertension
- 365.10 -- Open-angle glaucoma, unspecified
- 365.11 -- Primary open-angle glaucoma
- 365.12 -- Low tension glaucoma
- 365.13 -- Pigmentary glaucoma
- 365.14 -- Glaucoma of childhood
- 365.15 -- Residual stage of open-angle glaucoma
- 365.20 -- Primary angle-closure glaucoma, unspecified
- 365.21 -- Intermittent angle-closure glaucoma
- 365.22 -- Acute angle-closure glaucoma
- 365.23 -- Chronic angle-closure glaucoma
- 365.24 -- Residual stage of angle-closure glaucoma
- 368.40 -- Visual field defect, unspecified
- 377.00 -- Papilledema, unspecified

- 377.15 -- Partial optic atrophy

- 377.9 -- Unspecified disorder of optic nerve and visual pathways

Codes bundled with 92135 by Correct Coding Initiative (CCI): 99211, 92250.