

Optometry Coding & Billing Alert

Quick Key: Supervision Levels for Ophthalmological Diagnostic Tests

Keep the levels straight - and elevate your documentation to the next level

CMS has determined that certain diagnostic tests under the "Special Ophthalmological Services" heading in the CPT manual require either general or direct supervision when a nonphysician practitioner performs them. Use this key to help keep your documentation on the level.

Level One: General Supervision

Physician provides overall direction and control but does not need to be present.

- 1. 92060 Sensorimotor examination with multiple measurements of ocular deviation with interpretation and report (separate procedure)
- 2. 92065 Orthoptic and/or pleoptic training, with continuing medical direction and evaluation
- 3. 92081 Visual field examination, unilateral or bilateral, with interpretation and report; limited examination
- 4. 92082 ... intermediate examination
- 5. 92083 ... extended examination
- 6. 92135 Scanning computerized ophthalmic diagnostic imaging with interpretation and report, unilateral
- 7. 92250 Fundus photography with interpretation and report.

Level Two: Direct Supervision

Physician must be present in the office suite and immediately available to assist in and direct the procedure.

- 8. 92235 Fluorescein angiography (includes multiframe imaging) with interpretation and report
- 9. 92240 Indocyanine-green angiography (includes multiframe imaging) with interpretation and report.