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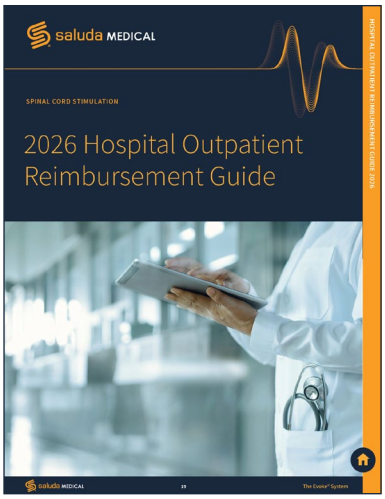
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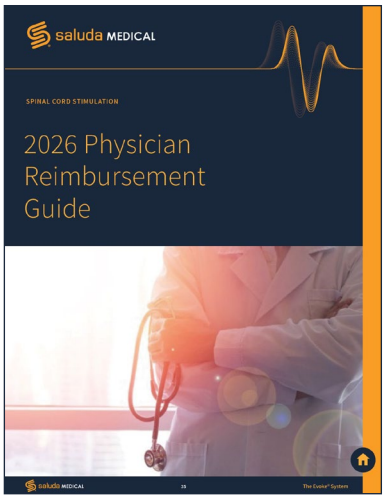
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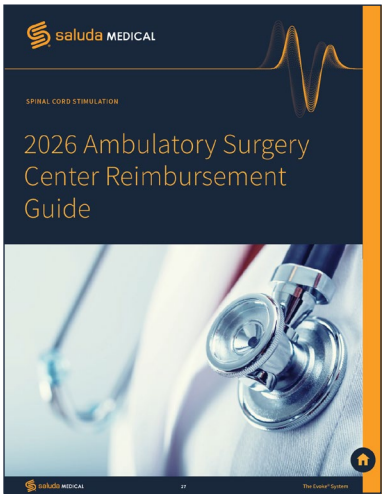
Saluda Medical offers several resources for coding, coverage, and payment information for spinal cord stimulation



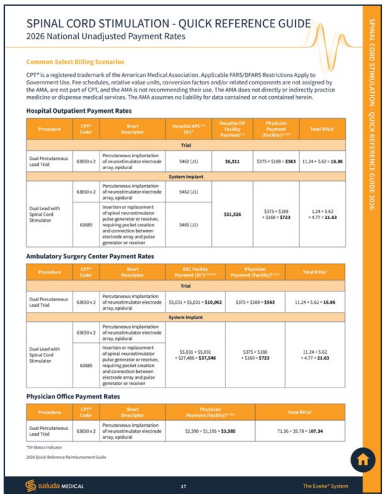
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2026 Physician Payment

Physicians use CPT codes for all services. Under Medicare's Resource-Based Relative Value Scale (RBRVS) methodology, each CPT code is assigned a relative value unit (RVU) that is then converted to a flat payment amount. Payment rates will vary by Facility and Physician Office setting.

Trial & System Implant

Procedure	CPT® Code[1,2]	Short Descriptor	Total RVUs[3]		Medicare National Average Payment[3,4,5]	
			Non-Facility (Office)	Facility	Non-Facility (Office)	Facility
Trial						
Single Percutaneous Lead Trial	63650	Percutaneous implantation of neurostimulator electrode array, epidural	71.56	11.24	$2,390	$375
Dual Percutaneous Lead Trial	63650	Percutaneous implantation of neurostimulator electrode array, epidural	71.56 + 35.78 = **107.34**	11.24 + 5.62 = **16.86**	$3,390 + $1,195 = **$3,585**	$375 + $188 = **$563**
	63650	Percutaneous implantation of neurostimulator electrode array, epidural				
System Implant						
Single Lead with Spinal Cord Stimulator	63650	Percutaneous implantation of neurostimulator electrode array, epidural	NA	11.24 + 4.77 = **16.01**	NA	$375 + $160= **$535**
	63685	Insertion or replacement of spinal neurostimulator pulse generator or receiver, requiring pocket creation and connection between electrode array and pulse generator or receiver				
Dual Lead with Spinal Cord Stimulator	63650	Percutaneous implantation of neurostimulator electrode array, epidural	NA	11.24 + 5.62 + 4.77 = **21.63**	NA	$375 + $188 + $160 = **$723**
	63650	Percutaneous implantation of neurostimulator electrode array, epidural				
	63685	Insertion or replacement of spinal neurostimulator pulse generator or receiver, requiring pocket creation and connection between electrode array and pulse generator or receiver				
Paddle Lead with Spinal Cord Stimulator	63655	Percutaneous implantation of neurostimulator electrode array, epidural	NA	25.11 + 4.77 = **29.88**	NA	$839.99 + $160.00 = **$999**
	63685	Insertion or replacement of spinal neurostimulator pulse generator or receiver, requiring pocket creation and connection between electrode array and pulse generator or receiver				

Revision, Removal & Replacement

Procedure	CPT® Code[1]	Short Descriptor	Total RVUs[3]		Medicare National Average Payment[2,3,4,5]	
			Non-Facility (Office)	Facility	Non-Facility (Office)	Facility
Removal Percutaneous Lead	63661	Removal of spinal neurostimulator electrode percutaneous array(s), including fluoroscopy, when performed	22.27	9.25	$744	$309
Revision or Replacement Percutaneous Lead	63663	Revision including replacement, when performed, of spinal neurostimulator electrode percutaneous array(s), including fluoroscopy, when performed	28.55	12.26	$954	$409
Revision or Removal–Spinal Cord Stimulator	63688	Revision or removal of implanted spinal neurostimulator pulse generator or receiver	NA	9.15	NA	$306

Neurostimulator Analysis & Programming

CPT® Code[15]	Short Descriptor	Total RVUs[3]		Medicare National Average Payment[3,4,5]	
		Non-Facility (Office)	Facility	Non-Facility (Office)	Facility
95970	Electronic analysis of implanted neurostimulator pulse generator/transmitter (eg, contact group[s], interleaving, amplitude, pulse width, frequency [Hz], on/off cycling, burst, magnet mode, dose lockout, patient selectable parameters, responsive neurostimulation, detection algorithms, closed loop parameters, and passive parameters) by physician or other qualified health care professional; with brain, cranial nerve, spinal cord, peripheral nerve, or sacral nerve, neurostimulator pulse generator/transmitter, without programming	0.59	0.48	$20	$16
95971	Electronic analysis of implanted neurostimulator pulse generator/transmitter (eg, contact group[s], interleaving, amplitude, pulse width, frequency [Hz], on/off cycling, burst, magnet mode, dose lockout, patient selectable parameters, responsive neurostimulation, detection algorithms, closed loop parameters, and passive parameters) by physician or other qualified health care professional; with simple spinal cord or peripheral nerve (eg, sacral nerve) neurostimulator pulse generator/transmitter programming by physician or other qualified health care professional	1.51	1.03	$50	$34
95972	Electronic analysis of implanted neurostimulator pulse generator/transmitter (eg, contact group[s], interleaving, amplitude, pulse width, frequency [Hz], on/off cycling, burst, magnet mode, dose lockout, patient selectable parameters, responsive neurostimulation, detection algorithms, closed loop parameters, and passive parameters) by physician or other qualified health care professional; with complex spinal cord or peripheral nerve (eg, sacral nerve) neurostimulator pulse generator/transmitter programming by physician or other qualified health care professional	1.51	1.03	$50	$34

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2. Multiple procedure reduction rules apply for procedures. Quantity of devices used in each procedure must be specified for appropriate payment.
3. Department of Health and Human Services. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. CY2026 CMS National Physician Fee Schedule Relative Value File (Addendum B). The 2025 National Medicare physician payment rates have been calculated using the 2026 conversion factor of $33.57 released December 2025.
4. Rates referenced do not reflect Sequestration; the automatic reductions in federal spending that will result in a 2% across-the-board reduction to all Medicare rates. (Budget Control Act of 2011 and American Rescue Plan Act of 2021).
5. According to CPT manual instructions, simple programming involves changes to three or fewer parameters and complex programming involves changes to four or more parameters.

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