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# Fact Sheet: 0671T iStent, iStent inject and Hydrus®

# **Microstent**

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#### NOTE: All devices are awaiting FDA approval to be considered as stand-alone procedures.

### Background

**Effective January 1, 2022**, CPT published Category III code 0671T Insertion of anterior segment aqueous drainage device into the trabecular meshwork, without external reservoir, and without concomitant cataract removal, one or more.

**0671T** replaces these two deleted codes:

- **0191T** Insertion of anterior segment aqueous drainage device, without extraocular reservoir; internal approach, into the trabecular meshwork; initial insertion and
- +0376T Insertion of anterior segment aqueous drainage device, without extraocular reservoir; internal approach into the trabecular meshwork; each additional device insertion (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)

### **Billing Guidelines**

Category III code 0671T Stand - alone procedure that does not require concomitant cataract surgery. Sunset date 2027 Payment is at each payer's discretion. Ask for allowable when preauthorizing. (Note: Prior authorization is not a guarantee of coverage/payment.)

### In Conjunction with Cataract Surgery

When performed at the same time as cataract surgery, report one of these 2022 new code options:

- 66989 Extracapsular cataract removal with insertion of intraocular lens prosthesis (1-stage procedure), manual or mechanical technique (e.g., irrigation and aspiration or phacoemulsification), complex, requiring devices or techniques not generally used in routine cataract surgery (e.g., iris expansion device, suture support for intraocular lens, or primary posterior capsulorrhexis) or performed on patients in the amblyogenic developmental stage; with insertion of intraocular (e.g., trabecular meshwork, supraciliary, suprachoroidal) anterior segment aqueous drainage device, without extraocular reservoir, internal approach, one or more
- 66991 Extracapsular cataract removal with insertion of intraocular lens prosthesis (1 stage procedure), manual or mechanical technique (e.g., irrigation and aspiration or phacoemulsification); with insertion of intraocular (e.g., trabecular meshwork, supraciliary, suprachoroidal) anterior

#### Implanted in Aphakic and Pseudophakic Patient

Lens Exchange and Secondary IOL. Submit 0671T

### **Modifiers**

-RT Right eye -LT Left eye Typically, Category III codes do not recognize modifiers -54, 55, 79

### **To Remove**

CPT code 65920 Removal of implanted material, anterior segment of eye.

If removed within the global period of the cataract surgery, append modifier -78 Unplanned return to the operating/procedure room by the same physician following initial procedure for a related procedure during the global period. Do not begin a new global period. Continue the 90 days postop from the original cataract surgery. Payment will be 80 percent of the allowable.

# **To Reposition**

Report 66999 Unlisted procedure, anterior segment of eye

#### **CCI Bundles**

## 66830, 66982, 66984, 66988, 66991

### ICD-10 Linkages

Diagnosis codes may include but are not limited to:

•	H40.1111	Primary open- angle glaucoma, right eye, mild stage
•	H40.1112	Primary open- angle glaucoma, right eye, moderate stage
•	H40.1113	Primary open- angle glaucoma, right eye, severe stage
•	H40.1114	Primary open- angle glaucoma, right eye, indeterminate stage
•	H40.1121	Primary open- angle glaucoma, left eye, mild stage
•	H40.1122	Primary open- angle glaucoma, left eye, moderate stage
•	H40.1123	Primary open- angle glaucoma, left eye, severe stage
•	H40.1124	Primary open- angle glaucoma, left eye, indeterminate stage
•	H40.1131	Primary open- angle glaucoma, bilateral, mild stage
•	H40.1132	Primary open- angle glaucoma, bilateral, moderate stage
•	H40.1133	Primary open- angle glaucoma, bilateral, severe stage
•	H40.1134	Primary open- angle glaucoma, bilateral, indeterminate stage
•	H40.1211	Low- tension glaucoma, right eye, mild stage
•	H40.1212	Low- tension glaucoma, right eye, moderate stage
•	H40.1213	Low- tension glaucoma, right eye, severe stage
•	H40.1214	Low- tension glaucoma, right eye, indeterminate stage
•	H40.1221	Low- tension glaucoma, left eye, mild stage
•	H40.1222	Low- tension glaucoma, left eye, moderate stage
•	H40.1223	Low- tension glaucoma, left eye, severe stage
•	H40.1224	Low- tension glaucoma, left eye, indeterminate stage
•	H40.1231	Low- tension glaucoma, bilateral, mild stage
•	H40.1232	Low- tension glaucoma, bilateral, moderate stage
•	H40.1233	Low- tension glaucoma, bilateral, severe stage
•	H40.1234	Low- tension glaucoma, bilateral, indeterminate stage
•	H40.1311	Pigmentary glaucoma, right eye, mild stage
•	H40.1312	Pigmentary glaucoma, right eye, moderate stage
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- H40.1313 Pigmentary glaucoma, right eye, severe stage
- H40.1314 Pigmentary glaucoma, right eye, indeterminate stage
- H40.1321 Pigmentary glaucoma, left eye, mild stage
- H40.1322 Pigmentary glaucoma, left eye, moderate stage
- H40.1323 Pigmentary glaucoma, left eye, severe stage
- H40.1324 Pigmentary glaucoma, left eye, indeterminate stage
- H40.1331 Pigmentary glaucoma, bilateral, mild stage
- H40.1332 Pigmentary glaucoma, bilateral, moderate stage
- H40.1333 Pigmentary glaucoma, bilateral, severe stage
- H40.1334 Pigmentary glaucoma, bilateral, indeterminate stage