

RESPIRATORY SURGICAL PROCEDURES

NOSE		Asst	Surg	Anae
Z298	Nasopharynx (including oropharynx, oral cavity and hypopharynx) EUGA of nasopharynx for malignant disease including biopsies (not eligible for payment if rendered in conjunction with tonsillectomy and adenoidectomy or quadroscope)		41.25	6
Excision of nasopharyngeal or oropharyngeal lesion				
# R181	- with palatal split.....	6	508.20	7
R182	- with mandibulotomy, glossotomy and/or palatal split.....	7	1216.80	10
Z297	Insertion of prosthesis for nasal septal perforation.....		18.30	
ENDOSCOPY				
Fiberoptic endoscopy of upper airway (nose, hypopharynx or larynx) (IOP)				
Z296	- with flexible endoscope - if only operative procedure performed.....		19.20	
Z299	- with rigid endoscope, for diagnostic evaluation, or to facilitate biopsy or surgical treatment of pathology in the posterior nasal cavity, hypopharynx or larynx.....		8.55	
# Z317	Examination under anaesthesia (EUA) of nose including suction cautery for posterior epistaxis - unilateral or bilateral.....		112.05	6
# Z306	Excision of middle turbinate concha bullosa - unilateral.....		55.60	7
INCISION				
# Z301	Drainage of abscess or haematoma.....		55.60	6
# Z302	Turbinate reduction - unilateral or bilateral (by any method).....		55.60	6
EXCISION				
Nasal polyp				
Z304	- single.....		21.00	
E839	- with flexible endoscope, to Z304..... add		19.20	
# Z305	- multiple or involving general anaesthetic - unilateral.....		55.60	7
Choanal polypectomy				
# Z308	- unilateral.....		55.60	7
Biopsy				
Z309	- single.....		18.30	
E839	- with flexible endoscope, to Z309..... add		19.20	
# Z310	- multiple or involving general anaesthetic.....		50.90	6
Removal of foreign body				
# Z311	- local anaesthetic.....		10.55	
E839	- with flexible endoscope, to Z311..... add		19.20	
# Z312	- general anaesthetic.....		50.90	6
# M010	Excision of intranasal lesions by lateral rhinotomy approach.....	6	493.90	7
# M011	Excision of other intranasal lesions (see General Preamble GP8).....	I.C	I.C	I.C

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RECONSTRUCTION				
# M012	Septoplasty		293.95	10
# M013	Partial septorhinoplasty (excluding osteotomies)		526.00	10
# M014	Septorhinoplasty	6	541.65	10
# E841	- with autologous bone or cartilage graft - from site(s) other than nose, to a maximum of two, to M014..... add		226.80	
# E842	- with non-autologous graft or implant, to M014..... add		58.60	
# E642	- if performed by external approach using transverse columellar and rim incisions with elevation of nasal tip skin flap, to M012, M013 or M014 add		119.20	
# E840	- with repair of septal perforation, to M012, M013 or M014 add		119.20	
# R319	Graft to nose - autologous, bone or cartilage (without septorhinoplasty)	6	360.45	7
# R320	non-autologous or prosthetic implant (without septorhinoplasty).....	6	232.00	7
Note:				
M013, M014, R319, R320 - These procedures require written prior authorization by a Ministry of Health <i>medical consultant</i> . (see Surgical Preamble, paragraph 17).				
# M015	Septodermoplasty (to include fascial and other grafts).....		306.85	7
# M016	Repair of septal perforation		358.70	7
# E642	- if performed by external approach using transverse columellar and rim incisions with elevation of nasal tip skin flap, to M015 or M016 add		119.20	
# M017	Packing for localization of cerebrospinal rhinorrhea		39.60	6
# E603	- with fluorescein injection, to M017..... add		50.90	
# M033	Closure or opening of nostril for atrophic rhinitis		254.15	7
# M018	Endonasal augmentation for atrophic rhinitis - unilateral (including obtaining graft or preparing implant)		306.85	7
# M020	Repair of choanal atresia - unilateral or bilateral	6	360.45	6
# M021	Puncture and insertion of tube for choanal atresia - unilateral or bilateral		123.70	6
# M028	Dilation of choanal atresia - unilateral or bilateral.....		73.80	6
RECONSTRUCTION				
Rhinoplasty for reconstruction of cleft lip - nasal deformity				
# M030	- complex, to include necessary grafts and septoplasty.....	6	1082.30	7
# M032	- tip and septum to include total take down of cleft lip.....		432.45	6
# M031	- tip and septum reconstruction to include minor lip repair (Minor revision, Z-plasty)		254.15	7
# E642	- if performed by external approach using transverse columellar and rim incisions with elevation of nasal tip skin flap, to M030, M032 or M031 add		119.20	
Note:				
Cleft lip reconstruction (S013, S014, S015) is <i>not eligible for payment</i> with M030, M031 or M032.				
TREATMENT OF EPISTAXIS (NASAL HAEMORRHAGE)				
Z314	Cauterization - unilateral.....		11.50	6
Z315	Anterior packing - unilateral		15.35	6
Z316	Posterior packing - unilateral or bilateral		35.50	6
E839	- with flexible endoscope, to Z314, Z315 or Z316..... add		19.20	
# M027	Ligation of external carotid artery - unilateral.....	6	297.25	6
# R788	Ligation of internal maxillary artery - unilateral	7	408.10	10
# R789	Ligation of anterior ethmoidal artery - unilateral	6	299.85	7
# Z313	Endoscopic transnasal ligation of the sphenopalatine artery for posterior epistaxis - unilateral		123.70	

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ACCESSORY NASAL SINUSES

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ACCESSORY NASAL SINUSES - EXTERNAL OR ENDONASAL APPROACH

Antrum or sinus lavage

Z319 Antral puncture and/or lavage - unilateral or bilateral 43.15 6

Note:

Z319 is *not eligible for payment* when rendered with any other surgical procedure by the same physician on the same patient, on the same day.

Maxillary

M055 - Caldwell-Luc (includes intranasal antrostomy)
- unilateral 6 247.35 10

[Commentary:

For antrostomy by endonasal or endoscopic approach see M054.]

Maxillectomy

M056 - partial or complete 7 971.75 10
E947 - with orbital exenteration, to M056 add 306.85

M058 Radical frontal sinusectomy for tumour, radical exenteration of disease with drill out for access, or ostium revision 460.20 10

M063 Coronal and/or osteoplastic procedure for frontal sinusectomy, reconstruction or obliteration - unilateral or bilateral 7 716.25 10

[Commentary:

For frontal trephine see Z318.]

External frontal-ethmoidal sinusectomy and/or reconstruction

M059 - unilateral 6 460.20 10

External or transantral ethmoidectomy

M023 - unilateral (to include Caldwell-Luc with transantral approach) 6 360.45 10

Sphenoid

M061 Trans-septal sphenoidectomy for tumour or radical exenteration of disease 355.65 10

Note:

M061 is *not eligible for payment* when rendered for performing the approach to the pituitary fossa as part of N111, N112, N114 or N116.

M064 External transethmoidal sphenoid sinusectomy 7 612.65 10

Closure of antral fistula

M067 - under general anaesthetic (to include Caldwell-Luc if necessary) 345.15 7

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ACCESSORY NASAL SINUSES – ENDOSCOPIC APPROACH				
# Z318	Trephine or endoscopic frontal sinusotomy		133.30	7
# M054	Intranasal maxillary antrostomy – unilateral – by endoscopic or endonasal approach.....	6	123.70	10
Ethmoidectomy/Antrostomy				
# M083	Intranasal ethmoidectomy including maxillary antrostomy, with endoscope – unilateral (not eligible for payment with M061 or M054)		350.00	10
# E844	- bilateral procedure, to M083..... add		200.00	
# Z350	Endoscopic sphenoidotomy - unilateral		123.70	10
# E843	- bilateral procedure, to Z350..... add		103.05	
# E845	- when performed using a 3D CT/MRI image guided system, to M083 or Z350..... add		140.00	
Note:				
E845 is <i>only eligible for payment</i> under the following circumstances:				
1. Identification of the anatomy of the paranasal sinuses distorted by previous surgery, trauma, abnormalities of development or benign or malignant tumours; or				
2. A pathological lesion abuts the base of the skull, orbit, optic nerve or carotid artery.				
# Z351	Endoscopic Septoplasty		122.40	10
# M086	Trans-nasal endoscopic repair of CSF rhinorrhea (includes harvesting of graft material) with or without 3D CT/MRI image guided system		822.45	15

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LARYNX

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ENDOSCOPY

Laryngoscopy

# E600	- using operating microscope - to charges for laryngoscopy	add	33.60	
Direct				
# Z292	without biopsy		61.30	6
# Z293	with biopsy		61.30	6
# Z322	- with removal of foreign body		106.45	6
# Z323	- with removal of lesion(s)		226.35	6
# E643	- when using laser with microlaryngoscopy for benign disease, to Z323	add	121.65	

Note:

1. E600 is *not eligible for payment* in addition to E643.
2. Z292 rendered in association with gastroscopy, oesophagoscopy, oesophagoscopy-gastroscopy, duodenoscopy, and small bowel push enteroscopy services is *not eligible for payment* unless the laryngoscopy service is rendered for suspicion of disease of the larynx. Claims for Z292 in these circumstances are assessed by a *medical consultant* on a manual review basis and require the submission of a written explanation.

[Commentary:

Manual review is not required for Z293, Z322 and Z323 rendered in association with gastroscopy, oesophagoscopy, oesophagoscopy-gastroscopy, duodenoscopy, and small bowel push enteroscopy services.]

# Z343	- with dilatation of larynx, to include bronchoscopy if necessary		202.35	7
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Indirect

# Z324	- with biopsy or removal of foreign body		44.70	6
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INTRODUCTION

# M080	Teflon augmentation larynx		182.10	7
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EXCISION

Laryngectomy

# M081	- total	6	838.90	13
# E882	- with thyroid lobectomy, to M081	add	177.40	
# E883	- with thyroid lobectomy, must include excision of isthmus and pyramidal tract, to M081	add	266.60	
# E884	- with total thyroidectomy, to M081	add	374.00	
# M082	Laryngofissure	6	444.80	8

Note:

Excision to include laryngoscopy.

Laryngectomy

# M084	- segmental, including reconstruction	6	888.85	9
# M085	Arytenoidectomy or arytenoidopexy or lateralization procedure	6	395.05	8

REPAIR (TO INCLUDE LARYNGOSCOPY)

# M090	Laryngoplasty - e.g. repair of stenosis and fractures, transections - not to be billed with M084		642.45	7
# M089	Creation of tracheo-oesophageal fistula	6	234.60	6
# Z320	Insertion of voice prosthesis		25.85	
# Z303	Removal of laryngeal stent or keel		240.20	6

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TRACHEA AND BRONCHI

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PREAMBLE

1. When bronchoscopy, flexible or rigid, is rendered in conjunction with laryngoscopy or oesophagoscopy, only the bronchoscopy is eligible for payment.
2. Bronchoscopy rendered by the same surgeon immediately following thoracic surgery under the same anaesthetic is *not eligible for payment*.
3. Bronchoscopy (including intraoperative bronchoscopy) rendered the same *day* as a major lung resection is *not eligible for payment* if a bronchoscopy has been rendered by the same physician to the same patient in the 3-week period preceding the major lung resection.

ENDOSCOPY

Bronchoscopy

Z360 Emergency rigid bronchoscopy for obstructed airway 474.65

Note:

1. Z360 is eligible for payment only for life-threatening emergency situations where the patient is not intubated.
2. No other bronchoscopy service is eligible for payment with Z360.
3. Life Threatening Critical Care and Other Critical Care services are not payable in addition to Z360 to the same physician for the same patient, same *day*.

Z327 - flexible or rigid, with or without bronchial biopsy, suction or injection of contrast material nil 124.90 6

E846 - rigid bronchoscopy rendered immediately after flexible bronchoscopy, to Z327 add 95.70

Note:

E846 is *only eligible for payment* when rendered for the treatment of a condition identified by the preceding flexible bronchoscopy.

E632 - with removal of foreign body, to Z327 add 68.40

E633 - with dilatation of stricture, to Z327 add 44.55

E634 - with selective endobronchial blocker or catheter insertion, to Z327 add 52.00

E635 - with palliative endobronchial tumour resection including laser or cryotherapy, to Z327 add 67.20

E636 - with broncho-alveolar lavage for diagnosis of malignancy or diagnosis and/or treatment of infection and includes obtaining specimens suitable for differential cellular analysis, to Z327 add 50.00

E637 - with selective brushings of all 18 segmental bronchi for occult carcinoma in situ; specimens labeled as to site, to Z327 add 76.45

E638 - with transbronchial lung biopsy under image intensification only, to Z327 add 81.90

E622 - any bronchoscopic procedure for patients under 3 years of age, to Z327 add 79.40

E677 - transbronchial needle aspiration (TBNA) of mediastinal and/or hilar lymph nodes, to Z327 add 104.00

E678 - TBNA of lung mass, to Z327 add 104.00

E838 - bronchoscopy in a high risk patient with respiratory failure (i.e. severe hypoxemia or hypercapnia), to Z327 add 79.40

Note:

E838 is *not eligible for payment* unless the physician remains with the patient after the procedure is completed and until oxygen levels have returned to their pre-intervention level and it is apparent the patient will not require assisted ventilation.

Z342 Limited bronchoscopy with placement of endobronchial blocker and/or double lumen tube 112.55

Z359 Repeat bronchoscopy for tracheobronchial toilet when performed within one week of another bronchoscopic procedure 56.65 6

G050 Endobronchial ultrasound (EBUS), for guided biopsy of hilar and/or mediastinal lymph nodes 203.05

E837 - additional biopsy(s) performed by EBUS, to a maximum of 3, to G050 ... add 50.75

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Quadroscopy or panendoscopy

# Z355	- with or without biopsy (nasopharyngoscopy, laryngoscopy, bronchoscopy, oesophagoscopy with or without gastro-duodenoscopy) using separate instruments in search of malignant disease		321.45	6
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TRACHEO-BRONCHIAL ASPIRATION

# Z344	First procedure.....		45.95	
# Z345	Subsequent procedures performed by same physician.....		18.60	

Note:

Not to apply to:

1. operating surgeons,
2. when respiratory unit fees apply; or
3. within the first two hours post-operatively.

# Z326	Change of tracheostomy tube.....		12.50	
# Z346	Transtracheal aspiration		22.35	
# Z356	Closure of persistent tracheostoma		133.95	6

INCISION

# Z741	Tracheotomy	6	273.15	6
# E639	- with anterior cricoid split		78.50	
# Z738	Insertion of Montgomery "T" Tube or similar laryngeal or tracheal stent	6	216.10	8
# Z325	Emergency tracheotomy.....	10	474.65	10

Note:

1. Z325 is eligible for payment only for life-threatening emergency situations where the patient is not intubated.
2. Percutaneous tracheostomy, cricothyroidotomy or other emergency airway punctures do not constitute Z325.

EXCISION

E623	- repeat operation after 30 days.....		415.15	
# M099	Segmental resection of cervical trachea.....	9	918.60	10
# E631	- with resection of cricoid		314.20	
# M103	Segmental resection of trachea with either sternotomy or thoracotomy.....	9	1294.20	13
# M104	Carinal resection (without pulmonary resection).....	11	825.40	15

REPAIR

# M100	Tracheal rupture, transcervical	9	654.30	10
# M101	Tracheal-bronchial rupture, transthoracic	9	868.15	13

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CHEST WALL AND MEDIASTINUM

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EXCISION				
# M105	Chest wall tumour, resection of 2 or 3 ribs or cartilages	9	650.00	13
# E847	- with reconstruction of diaphragm requiring repair with mesh or equivalent synthetic material to M105..... add		75.00	
Chest wall reconstruction				
# E640	- after chest wall resection where a significant defect (minimum 5 cm in diameter) remains requiring repair with synthetic material		179.55	
# E601	- for each additional rib (more than 3) to a maximum of 3 additional..... add		57.50	
# E602	- with sternal resection		177.95	
# M107	Total sternectomy.....	9	812.25	13
# N284	Excision of first rib and/or cervical rib to include scalenotomy when required	6	408.00	6
# M106	Mediastinal tumour	9	1004.00	13
# E847	- with reconstruction of diaphragm requiring repair with mesh or equivalent synthetic material to M106..... add		75.00	
# M108	Ligation of thoracic duct - as sole procedure	6	410.45	6
# E683	- when performed thoroscopically or by video-assisted thoracic surgery (VATS), to M106 or M108..... add 25%			
REPAIR				
Chest wall - pleura				
# M109	- closed (see General Preamble GP8).....		IC	6
# M110	- open (see General Preamble GP8)		IC	13
# M116	- fixation for trauma	6	350.00	7
# E604	- for fixation of each additional rib exceeding four ribs..... add		55.60	2
# M117	Sternal fixation for trauma.....	6	251.45	6
# R352	Pectus excavatum or carinatum repair (by reconstruction, not implant).....	6	750.00	11
SURGICAL COLLAPSE				
Thoracoplasty				
# M111	- one stage	9	304.20	10
# E605	- for each additional rib (more than 3) to a maximum of 3 additional..... add		55.60	
# Z742	Phrenicotomy.....	6	106.45	6
INCISION				
# Z353	Incisional biopsy of chest wall tumour	6	110.90	7
# Z354	Excisional biopsy of rib for tumour	6	142.20	7
# Z357	Thoracic window creation	6	228.25	7
# Z358	Thoracic window closure	6	111.20	6
ENDOSCOPY				
# Z329	Mediastinoscopy.....	6	380.00	7
# Z330	- with bronchoscopy	6	490.00	7
# Z333	- with transbronchial biopsy under image intensification (including bronchoscopy)	6	317.20	7
# Z328	- with mediastinotomy	6	475.80	7
# Z348	- with bronchoscopy and mediastinotomy	6	605.85	7
Anterior mediastinotomy				
# Z347	- when sole procedure performed	6	300.00	6

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LUNGS AND PLEURA

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INTRODUCTION - THORACENTESIS				
Z331	Aspiration for diagnostic sample.....		32.45	
Z332	Aspiration with therapeutic drainage with or without diagnostic sample.....		59.15	6
E542	- when performed outside hospital..... add		11.15	
Z349	Intrapleural administration of chemotherapy or sclerosing agent - by any method.....		23.25	
# Z334	Total unilateral lung lavage with or without bronchoscopy using Double Lumen Tube and single lung anaesthesia.....		304.60	13
ENDOSCOPY				
# Z335	Thoracoscopy (pleuroscopy) with or without pleural biopsy, suction, etc.....		228.40	7
INCISION				
# Z340	Biopsy of lung, needle.....		137.85	7
# Z336	Biopsy of pleura, needle - including diagnostic aspiration.....		59.15	6
# Z341	Closed drainage effusion or pneumothorax.....		69.80	6
# Z349	Intrapleural administration of chemotherapy or sclerosing agent - by any method.....		23.25	
# Z337	Rib resection for drainage.....	6	133.10	7
# M133	Thoracotomy for removal of foreign body.....	9	390.65	13
# M137	Thoracotomy with or without biopsy.....	9	390.65	13
# M134	Thoracotomy for post-operative haemorrhage or empyema.....	9	390.65	13
# M132	Thoracotomy with repair of ruptured diaphragm.....	9	507.45	13
# M130	Closure of broncho-pleural fistula (transthoracic or trans-sternal).....	9	584.75	13
# E609	- with intercostal muscle bundle, pericardium, Azygos vein, or pericardial fat pad, to M130..... add		121.70	
# E610	- with myovascular flap (pectoralis major, latissimus dorsi, rectus abdominus)..... add		263.80	
# M135	Major decortication of lung for empyema or tumour.....	11	800.00	15
# Z339	Intercostal drainage with insufflation of sclerosing agent under general anaesthesia.....	6	182.90	6
Chronic indwelling pleural catheter for palliative management of malignant pleural effusion				
Z361	Insertion of indwelling catheter.....		200.00	
Z362	Removal of indwelling catheter.....		200.00	

Note:

1. Z361 and Z362 include any image guidance and interpretation.
2. Z361 and Z362 are not payable for adjustment of a previously inserted indwelling pleural catheter. The applicable visit fee may be claimed.

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EXCISION				
# Z338	Biopsy of pleura or lung - with limited thoracotomy	9	202.80	13
# M138	Hilar lymph node or lung biopsy with full thoracotomy.....	9	534.10	13
# M142	Pneumonectomy, may include radical mediastinal node dissection, sampling or pericardial resection requiring repair.....	10	1400.00	14
# E609	- with intercostal muscle bundle, pericardium, Azygos vein or pericardial fat pad, to M142		121.70	
# M143	Lobectomy, may include radical mediastinal node dissection or sampling.....	10	1285.00	13
# E644	- radical mediastinal node dissection following preoperative chemotherapy and/or radiotherapy, to M142, M143, S089 or S090.....		207.45	
# E683	- when performed thoroscopically or by video-assisted thoracic surgery (VATS), to M142 or M143			
	add 25%			
Note:				
E644 is <i>only eligible for payment</i> when performed in conjunction with M142 or M143 following preoperative chemotherapy and/or radiotherapy.				
# M144	Segmental resection, including segmental bronchus and artery	10	1285.00	13
# E683	- when performed thoroscopically or by video-assisted thoracic surgery (VATS), to M144.....			
	add 25%			
# M145	Wedge resection of lung	10	818.45	13
# M151	Bullectomy for major bullous disease	10	725.00	13
# M149	Pleurectomy, and/or apical bullectomy for pneumothorax	10	525.00	13
E683	- when performed thoroscopically or by video-assisted thoracic surgery (VATS), to M145, M149 or M151.....			
	add 25%			

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The following E codes may apply to the preceding M prefix excision codes:

# E612	- total extra-pleural pneumonectomy	add		338.35	
# E613	- sleeve pneumonectomy	add		248.40	
# E614	- omental graft	add		162.45	
# E615	- intra-pericardial dissection	add		120.80	
# E611	- with resection of diaphragm and direct suture closure	add		145.00	
# E849	- with resection of diaphragm and reconstruction requiring repair with mesh or equivalent synthetic material	add		220.00	
# E848	- with reconstruction of pericardium requiring repair with synthetic graft material	add		80.00	
# E616	- bi-lobectomy on right side	add		142.10	
# E617	- with pleural tent	add		78.80	
# E618	- with decortication of remaining lobe(s)	add		121.85	
# E619	- sleeve lobectomy	add		162.45	
# E620	- with wedge bronchoplasty	add		78.80	
# E621	- with diagnostic wedge resection	add		45.85	
# E624	- with completion pneumonectomy for positive resection margin	add		111.20	
# E625	- with sleeve resection of pulmonary artery	add		142.20	
# E608	- each additional wedge resection of lung (to a maximum of 3)	add		75.00	
# E607	- re-operation more than 30 days subsequent to previous excision, to appropriate excision fee	add		152.30	
# M155	Lung transplant (one lung)		18	2054.25	40
M156	Repeat lung transplant (one lung)		24	2670.55	40
M157	Donor Heart - Lung removal		8	906.45	8