

OCULAR AND AURAL SURGICAL PROCEDURES

EYEBALL

		Asst	Surg	Anae
EXAMINATION				
# Z850	- when sole procedure or with unlisted minor procedures with general anaesthesia.....		200.00	6
E982	- when service is rendered to newborn, infant or child (ages 0 to 15 inclusive), to Z850 add 30%			
EXCISION				
# E108	Enucleation, donor eye, post-mortem (one or both)		131.25	
REPAIR				
# E104	Removal of intraocular foreign body	6	542.00	6
# E105	Non-magnetic - posterior segment	6	424.35	6
Penetrating wound				
# E106	- with prolapse of intraocular tissue.....	6	640.00	7
# E107	- without prolapse of intraocular tissue.....	6	496.00	7

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CORNEA

	Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION			
# Z851 Paracentesis		70.00	6
Removal embedded foreign body			
- local anaesthetic			
Z847 - one foreign body		33.00	
Z848 - two foreign bodies.....		45.00	
Z845 - three or more foreign bodies (see General Preamble GP8).....		I.C	
# Z852 - general anaesthetic.....		74.20	6
Chelation of band keratopathy with EDTA			
Z849 - local anaesthetic		153.80	
# Z863 - general anaesthetic.....		150.00	6
# E128 Anterior chamber - open evacuation of clot	6	496.00	6
EXCISION			
Pterygium			
# E206 - simple (unilateral).....		175.00	6
# E205 - with partial keratectomy	6	355.00	6
# E207 - with lamellar graft.....	6	453.00	6
# E937 - with autogenous conjunctival transplant..... add		100.00	
# E948 - with mucous membrane graft		113.20	
# E117 Keratectomy or relaxing incisions post penetrating keratoplasty or post traumatic corneal scar (non cosmetic).....	6	308.30	6
Excision of dermoid			
# E118 - with partial keratectomy		308.30	6
# E119 - with lamellar graft.....	6	542.00	6
Ulcer cautery			
Including laser and/or electrocautery, epithelial debridement, cryotherapy, corneal biopsy and/or corneal puncture			
Z871 - local anaesthetic		26.60	
# Z853 - general anaesthetic		74.20	6
REPLACEMENT			
Corneal transplant			
# E121 - penetrating	6	740.00	7
# E951 - with artificial prosthesis..... add		52.40	
# E122 - lamellar	6	590.00	7
# E124 Limbal stem cell transplant	6	740.00	8
Payment rules:			
E117 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> with E124.			
# E123 Division of iris to cornea.....		161.75	6

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SCLERA, IRIS AND CILIARY BODY

	Asst	Surg	Anae
SCLERA			
# E127 Sclerotomy, posterior		166.45	4
IRIS AND CILIARY BODY			
# E131 Laser iridotomy	6	161.75	6
# E134 Laser angle surgery		205.55	7
# E130 Iridectomy - surgical - when sole procedure	6	308.30	6
# E132 Glaucoma filtering procedures	6	550.00	6
# E983 - following previous glaucoma filtering procedure, to E132		add 25%	
# E136 - with intraocular implant of seton, to E132		add 290.00	
# E214 Glaucoma filtering procedure and cataract extraction (same eye)	6	729.00	6
# E950 - insertion of intraocular lens, to E214		add 92.50	
# E984 - following previous glaucoma filtering procedure, to E214		add 137.50	
# E136 - with intraocular implant of seton, to E214		add 290.00	
# E212 Bleb repair with conjunctival pull-down	6	210.00	6
# E213 Bleb repair with conjunctival, scleral or mucous membrane graft	6	262.50	6
# E133 Extraocular glaucoma procedures	6	182.75	6
# E135 Ciliary body re-attachment	6	505.45	7
# E156 Intraocular suturing of iris/pupillary defect	6	350.00	7
# E157 Placement and suturing of iris prosthetic device with or without suturing of iris/ pupillary defect	6	550.00	7

Payment rules:

1. E950 is *not eligible for payment* in conjunction with E156 or E157.
2. E156 is *not eligible for payment* for repair of iris tears resulting from cataract extraction.

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CRYSTALLINE LENS

	Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION			
# E137			
Needling (discission) - primary or subsequent.....	6	161.75	5
# E139			
Capsulotomy.....	6	161.75	5
EXCISION			
Cataract			
To include retrobulbar injection when administered by surgeon			
# E140			
- all types of, by any procedure, includes insertion of intraocular lens.....		397.75	5
# E141			
- dislocated lens extraction.....	6	505.45	5
# E950			
- insertion of intraocular lens, to E141 add		92.50	
# E143			
Excision of secondary membrane with corneal section following cataract extraction	6	450.00	5
# E138			
Fixation of intraocular lens and/or capsular tension device by suturing	6	450.00	5
# E144			
Removal of intraocular lens	6	450.00	5
# E145			
Repositioning surgical of dislocated intraocular lens		350.00	5
# E146			
Insertion of secondary intraocular lens	6	400.00	5

Payment rules:

1. Time units and anaesthesia extra units listed on GP65 are *not eligible for payment* with anaesthesia services for E137C, E138C, E139C, E140C, E141C, E143C, E144C, E145C or E146C.
2. E003C is not payable for anaesthesia services rendered for E137, E138, E139, E140, E141, E143, E144, E145 or E146.

[Commentary:

1. Refer to E023C on GP67 for anaesthesia services other than procedural sedation rendered in support of E137, E138, E139, E140, E141, E143, E144, E145 and E146.
2. Local infiltration or topical anaesthesia used as an anaesthetic for any procedure is *not eligible for payment.*]

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VITREOUS

	Asst	Surg	Anae
Anterior vitrectomy			
# E940 - when done in conjunction with another intraocular procedure add		105.00	
# E148 Vitrectomy by infusion suction cutter technique.....	6	720.00	7
# E938 - with transscleral retinal suturing add		213.20	
# E147 Intravitreal injection of medication for the treatment of wet macular degeneration..	nil	90.00	5
# E149 Vitreous injection or aspiration, posterior with needle for culture and/or injection of medication, other than for macular degeneration	nil	90.00	5
# E142 Preretinal membrane peeling or segmentation to include posterior vitrectomy and coagulation.....	6	830.00	6
Payment rules:			
1. Time units and anaesthesia extra units listed on GP65 are <i>not eligible for payment</i> with anaesthesia services for E147C or E149C.			
2. E003C is not payable for anaesthesia services rendered for E147 or E149.			
[Commentary:			
1. Refer to E023C on GP67 for anaesthesia services other than procedural sedation rendered in support of E147 or E149.			
2. Local infiltration or topical anaesthesia used as an anaesthetic for any procedure is <i>not eligible for payment.</i>]			
Vitreous exchange (air, gas or artificial vitreous substance)			
# E936 - to vitrectomy add		90.00	

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RETINA AND EXTRA OCULAR MUSCLES

	Asst	Surg	Anae
RETINA			
# E151 Re-attachment of retina and choroid by diathermy, photocoagulation or cryopexy as an initial procedure.....	6	282.65	6
# E152 Scleral resection or buckling procedure - with or without diathermy, photocoagulation or cryopexy, primary or subsequent procedure	6	700.00	7
# E153 Secondary operation following unsuccessful operation or fresh detachment in the same eye by a different surgeon with or without diathermy, photocoagulation or cryopexy.....	6	840.00	7
# E161 Removal of scleral implant.....		250.00	6
# E154 Photocoagulation (xenon, argon laser, etc.) - one eye		182.75	6
# E125 Laser retinopexy for Retinopathy of Prematurity – one eye.....		750.00	6
# E126 Laser retinopexy for Retinopathy of Prematurity – both eyes.....		1245.00	6
# E155 Cryopexy - extraocular or sub-conjunctival - one eye.....		205.00	6
REPAIR			
Strabismus procedures			
# E159 - one muscle, one or both eyes.....	6	369.00	6
# E158 - two muscles, one or both eyes	6	460.00	6
# E162 - three or more muscles, one or both eyes	6	542.00	6
# E949 - for adjustable suture		100.00	
# E952 - repeat strabismus procedure		175.00	

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ORBIT

	Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION			
# E164 Drainage of abscess		350.00	7
EXCISION			
# E102 Enucleation, with or without primary implant	6	542.00	7
# E103 Evisceration, with or without primary implant.....	6	542.00	7
# E109 Enucleation/evisceration with insertion of implant and reattachment of extraocular muscles	6	677.50	7
Note: E102 or E103 are <i>not eligible for payment</i> with E109.			
# E171 Exenteration.....	6	1005.00	6
# E941 - with major plastic repair		296.90	
# E181 Secondary orbital implant	6	640.00	6
Tumour or foreign body			
# E166 - anterior route.....	6	450.00	6
# E167 - posterior exposure	6	640.00	7
# E172 Biopsy (anterior)		200.00	6
# E168 Biopsy (posterior exposure).....		308.30	6
# E165 Lateral orbitotomy (Kronlein)	6	590.00	7
Decompression			
# E169 - two walls	6	542.00	6
# E170 - three walls.....	6	575.85	6
RECONSTRUCTION			
Dermis fat graft			
# E160 - immediately following enucleation		190.30	
# E163 - delayed	6	514.80	7
# E176 Fornix reconstruction		325.00	7
# E177 - with mucous membrane graft.....		321.60	6
# E937 - with autogenous conjunctival transplant.....		100.00	
Free mucous membrane graft			
# E178 - full thickness		222.65	7
# E179 - split thickness.....		296.90	6
# E180 Alloplastic volume replacement		411.20	7
Note: Repair - for E173 and E174 see Skull and Mandible - Musculoskeletal System.			

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EYELIDS

Asst

Surg

Anae

INCISION

Drainage of abscess

Z854	- local anaesthetic		60.00	
# Z855	- general anaesthetic.....		225.00	6

EXCISION

Chalazion

Single or multiple

Z874	- local anaesthetic		70.00	
E542	- when performed outside hospital..... add		11.15	
# Z856	- general anaesthetic.....		150.00	6

Note:

See Appendix D Surface Pathology.

Epilation

Z857	- by hyfrecator, electrolysis		26.60	6
Z858	- by cryopexy.....		65.70	6

Note:

Verruca, keratosis, etc. - see Skin and Subcutaneous Tissue - Integumentary System also Lid Tumours or Unlisted Plastic Procedures.

SUTURE

# E190	Tarsorrhaphy.....		150.00	6
# E191	Double adhesion.....		161.75	7

REPAIR

# E192	Ptosis	6	313.15	6
# E193	- repeat or second repair.....	6	393.00	6
# E194	Distichiasis - unilateral	6	289.00	6
# E195	Trichiasis, repair by tarsal transplantation	6	241.70	7
# E196	Entropion, other than Zeigler puncture	6	290.00	6
# E945	- repeat by second surgeon..... add		52.40	
# E948	- with mucous membrane graft		113.20	
# E197	Ectropion, other than Zeigler puncture	6	310.00	6
# E945	- repeat by second surgeon..... add		52.40	
Z860	Zeigler punctures (for entropion/ectropion).....		26.60	6

Note:

With skin graft - see Plastic Surgery Procedures - Integumentary System.

# E199	Laceration, full thickness		225.00	6
# E198	- including lid margin		300.00	7
# E221	Laceration of eyelid including levator palpebrae superioris with ptosis	6	329.30	7

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		Asst	Surg	Anae
Blepharoplasty				
# E200	- excision of skin, with or without partial excision of the orbicularis oculi muscle - one lid		82.80	6
# E201	- same as E200 plus removal of orbital fat and/or major lid fold reconstruction - one lid	6	205.55	7
Note: Blepharoplasty is only insured in those circumstances described in the Appendix D - prior approval of the Ministry of Health is required.				
# E211	Lid lengthening procedure	6	288.35	6
# E953	- with scleral graft..... add		80.90	
# E222	Primary closure of full thickness lid defect.....	6	290.00	6
# E942	- with cantholysis..... add		53.20	
# E943	- with releasing rotation flap including cantholysis..... add		89.45	
# E223	Tarsconjunctival flap and skin graft (Hughes).....	6	484.35	7
# E224	- second stage.....		108.45	7
# E225	Lower or upper eyelid bridge flap	6	484.35	6
# E226	- second stage.....		108.45	6
# E227	Temporal rotation flap	6	514.80	6
# E944	- with free posterior lamellar graft		175.15	
# E228	Free tarsal, scleral or cartilage graft with local skin mobilization.....	6	535.80	7
# E229	Free composite eyelid graft	6	535.80	7
# E230	Medial canthoplasty (skin and muscle).....	6	257.90	6
Medial canthal tendon				
# E231	- tendon repair only	6	267.35	7
# E232	- fixation to bone.....	6	412.05	6
# E233	- when done in conjunction with another procedure		153.25	
Lateral canthal surgery				
# E234	Canthotomy		51.45	
Note: Not to be claimed with E140 or E141.				
# E977	- if excision is performed in hospital for tumour free margin with frozen section, to excision or repair fees..... add 25%			
Note: E977 is payable only in addition to codes E222, E223, E225, E226, E227, E228, E229 or E300.				
# E235	Cantholysis - when primary procedure		107.50	6
# E236	Lateral canthopexy		255.00	6
# E930	- when done in conjunction with another procedure		102.35	
UVC	Removal of foreign body.....		visit. fee	

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CONJUNCTIVA

		Asst	Surg	Anae
EXCISION				
# E208	Peritomy (Gunderson conjunctival flap).....		225.00	6
Z861	Biopsy.....		26.60	6
REPAIR				
# E210	Excision of conjunctival lesion		100.00	6
# E948	- with mucous membrane graft		113.20	
E937	- with autogenous conjunctival transplant.....		100.00	

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LACRIMAL TRACT

	Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION			
# Z862 Dacryocystotomy - general anaesthetic.....		52.40	6
# Z917 Three "Snip" punctum procedure - per punctum - maximum 4 per patient..... each		65.70	6
EXCISION			
# E215 Dacryocystectomy	6	496.00	6
REPAIR			
Lacerated canaliculus			
# E216 - immediate repair	6	350.00	6
# E217 - delayed repair	6	411.20	6
# E218 Dacryocystorhinostomy	6	542.00	6
# E939 - repeat procedure by second surgeon..... add		150.00	
# E954 - with lacrimal bypass procedure (e.g. Lester Jones) or canalicular reconstruction..... add		80.90	
Lacrimal bypass procedure (e.g. Lester Jones)			
# E219 - when sole procedure (both stages).....		250.00	6
MANIPULATION			
Z901 Irrigation of nasolacrimal system - unilateral or bilateral.....		27.00	
Probing and dilation of duct, initial or repeat			
Local anaesthetic			
Z902 - unilateral		27.00	
General anaesthetic			
# Z864 - unilateral or bilateral		200.00	6
# Z865 - with insertion of inlying tube or filament.....		250.00	6
Z918 Re-insertion of Lester Jones tube.....		52.40	

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EXTERNAL EAR

Asst

Surg

Anae

PREAMBLE

When debridement of ears under microscopy is carried out for access purposes only, no claim should be made for the debridement.

ENDOSCOPY

Removal of foreign body

Z915	- simple.....	10.55	
Z866	- complicated, general anaesthetic	50.90	6
# E302	- requiring post auricular or endaural incisions	202.35	6
# E303	- from middle ear space	202.35	6

Note:

Z915 claimed solely for removal of cerumen is payable at nil.

Removal of drainage tube(s)

# Z906	- under general anaesthetic, unilateral.....	66.50	6
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Note:

For contralateral procedure, Z906 is payable at 85% of the listed fee.

INCISION

Z909	Biopsy, ear canal.....	25.85	
# Z846	- general anaesthetic (if sole procedure performed)	50.90	6

Incision and drainage of extensive haematoma of pinna with packing of ear and external compression dressing

# E317	- general anaesthetic.....	139.95	6
# E318	- local anaesthetic	92.40	
# E305	- Limited incision for perichondritis, removal of cartilage and drainage	155.30	6
# E306	Radical surgery for perichondritis	291.50	7

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EXTERNAL EAR

		Asst	Surg	Anae
EXCISION				
Local excision, polyp				
Z904	- office		25.85	
# Z905	- hospital.....		50.90	6
Resection of pinna				
# E300	- with primary closure		248.05	6
# E977	- if excision is performed in hospital for tumour free margin with frozen section, to excision or repair fees, to E300 add 25%			
# E301	- with local flap		355.35	6
Exostosis				
# E311	- endomeatal surgery and removal and drilling out of exostosis		243.35	7
# E312	- with multiple removal with necessary grafting.....		355.40	7
# E313	- post auricular approach		362.55	6
# Z903	Pre-auricular sinus		62.95	
# E309	- general anaesthetic.....		208.05	6
REPAIR				
Congenital defects				
External				
# E307	- minor	6	219.60	6
# E308	- major	6	345.15	7
# E310	Otoplasty for correction of outstanding ears - unilateral	6	247.35	7
# E304	Reconstruction of total ear with cartilage graft (e.g. Brent Technique), first stage...	6	619.35	6
Note:				
1. E304, E307, E308 - Descriptive details of procedure (e.g. operative report) should be submitted with claims for professional assessment (see Surgical Preamble, paragraph 17).				
2. E310 - for patients 18 years of age or older, please see Appendix D, Sub-Surface Pathology.				
# E314	Meatoplasty or canalplasty for congenital malformation.....	6	297.25	7
# E955	- with grafting of canal..... add		202.35	
# E956	- with tympanoplasty and/or ossiculoplasty, and/or mastoidectomy add		399.90	2

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MIDDLE EAR

Asst

Surg

Anae

DEBRIDEMENT

Under microscopy, debridement of mastoid cavities, and/or ears with significant external or middle ear pathology but not for removal of cerumen.

Z907	- unilateral	27.40	
# Z908	- under general anaesthetic, with or without repair of small perforation - when sole ear procedure(s) performed - unilateral	50.90	6

Note:

1. Debridement not performed under microscopy (e.g. if performed using loupes or magnifying headlights) or in the absence of significant external or middle ear pathology, or for removal of cerumen does not constitute Z907 or Z908.
2. G420 is *not eligible for payment* in conjunction with Z906, Z907, Z908 or Z913.
3. For contralateral procedures, Z907 and Z908 are payable at 85% of the listed fee.

INCISION

# Z912	Myringotomy, to include aspiration when indicated - unilateral.....	42.15	6
# Z914	- with insertion of ventilation tube using operating microscope - unilateral	78.60	6
# Z916	Intratympanic injection, with or without myringotomy - unilateral	75.90	6

[Commentary:

Z912 is *not eligible for payment* when rendered in conjunction with the service described by Z916.]

EXCISION

Mastoidectomy

# E320	Cortical mastoidectomy	6	345.15	10
# E322	Modified or radical mastoidectomy	6	627.10	10
# E315	Revision mastoidectomy with revision of middle ear	6	674.00	10
# E946	- with mastoid cavity obliteration E315, E320 or E322..... add		106.45	
# E959	- with meatoplasty and/or canalplasty..... add		106.45	
# E960	- with ossiculoplasty E315, E320 or E322..... add		103.80	
# E985	- with tympanoplasty, to E315, E320 or E322		106.45	
# E319	Atticotomy	6	345.30	6

REPAIR

# E323	Myringoplasty.....	209.05	6
Z913	Repair of small perforation under local anaesthesia, with or without debridement, unilateral	39.00	

Note:

1. Z913 is *not eligible for payment* with Z908 or E323.
2. For contralateral procedure, Z913 is payable at 85% of the listed fee.

Tympanoplasty

# E336	Type 1 (myringoplasty with exploration of middle ear)	345.15	7	
# E337	- with ossiculoplasty	468.85	10	
# E957	- with mastoidectomy	138.05		
# E959	- with meatoplasty and/or canalplasty..... add	106.45		
# E333	Ossiculoplasty.....	6	406.55	10
# E325	Facial nerve decompression.....	6	642.45	10
# E326	Facial nerve grafting (to include decompression)	6	987.65	10
# E327	Closure of mastoid fistula	6	252.15	10
# E328	Tympanotomy	288.50	10	
# E981	- with removal of middle ear tumour..... add	132.35		
# E329	Tympanic neurectomy.....	370.10	10	
# E316	Tympanotomy with fistula repair	395.05	10	

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INNER EAR

	Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION			
# E332 Labyrinthotomy or labyrinthectomy (including Fick procedure)		548.45	10
REPAIR			
# E335 Stapedectomy with prosthesis		637.15	10
# E331 Revision stapedectomy.....		673.65	6
# E321 Posterior/superior canal occlusion.....	6	612.70	8
# E339 Endolymphatic shunt or sac decompression	6	661.55	10
# E345 Temporal bone resection	10	1379.10	15
Permanent Cochlear Prosthesis Insertion			
# E341 Intra-cochlear.....	7	737.30	9
Bone Conduction Hearing Aid Insertion			
# E346 - implantable, including necessary mastoidectomy.....	6	345.15	7