

**DIAGNOSTIC RADIOLOGISTS, PC
ULTRASOUND EXAM CPT CODE REFERENCE**

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STUDY	CPT DESCRIPTION	CPT CODE	INDICATIONS FOR EXAM/STUDY	STRUCTURES VISUALIZED
Mammo Breast US (Left/Right/Bilateral)	Targeted ultrasound of less than all four quadrants. Most common	76642(76642-50 if bilateral)	Lump, pain, follow-up mammo	Mass/tumor
Mammo Breast US Complete (Left/Right/Bilateral)	Complete designates scanning of all four quadrants of the breast plus retroareolar region. Includes axilla, if performed	76641(76641-50 if bilateral)	Dense breast tissue	Breast parenchyma
Mammo Breast US Biopsy (Left/Right)	Ultrasound guided breast biopsy, including placement of breast localization device (eg. Clip, metallic pellet)and imaging of the biopsy specimen, if performed. Initial lesion	19083 (Add 19084 for each add'l lesion)	Suspicious lesion	Breast mass
US AAA Screening	Screening for abdominal aortic aneurysm (AAA)	G0389	CMS has a specific coverage policy	Abdominal aorta
US Abdomen	Abdominal COMPLETE	76700	Pain, enlarged organ	Pancreas, liver, spleen, kidneys, aorta, gall bladder
US Abdomen Ltd	Abdominal, LIMITED (eg. Single organ, quadrant, follow-up)	76705	Point tenderness	i.e. appendix, ventral hernia....
US Amniotic Fluid Index	Pregnant uterus, LIMITED, or 1 or more fetuses(eg. fetal heart beat, placental location, fetal position, and/or qualitative amniotic fluid volume)	76815	Small or large for dates, preterm labor	AFI, heart rate, fetal position
US Biopsy -or- US Aspiration - or- US Guidance	Ultrasound guidance for needle placement (eg. biopsy, aspiration, injection, localization device) Always pairs with secondary code, Additional pathology and	76942	Specific anatomical structure to be biopsied. Secondary CPT code depends on location (s) biopsied.	Targeted structure/mass
US Early OB	Pregnant uterus, fetal and maternal evaluation, first trimester (<14 wks)	76801: transabdominal 76817: transvaginal	Cramping, vaginal bleeding, unknown LMP	Gravid uterus and adnexa
US Fetal Biophysical Profile	Fetal biophysical profile with non-stress testing	76818	Decreased fetal movement	Fetal movement/fluid volume
US Hernia	Limited abdominal scanning is performed with inguinal/groin region, lower extremity and hip joint	76705 and 76881	Painful, palpable lump	Abdominal wall defect
US Liver Biopsy	Percutaneous needle biopsy of liver with ultrasound guidance	76942 and 47000	Hepatitis C/mass	Liver parenchyma
US OB	Pregnant uterus, fetal & maternal evaluation, first trimester (<14 wks). Transabdominal only, single/first gestation	76801	Size, dates, viability	Gravid uterus and adnexa
US OB Follow-Up	Pregnant Uterus, follow-up (eg. re-evaluation of fetal size measuring standard growth parameters and amniotic fluid volume, re-evaluation of organ abnormalities suspected or confirmed on a previous scan), transabdominal, per fetus	76816	Gestational diabetes, small or large for dates	Growth or re-evaluation of organ
US Paracentesis	Abdominal paracentesis with ultrasound guidance, diagnostic or therapeutic, please specify	49083	Ascities	Therapeutic or diagnostic
US Pelvic Transabdominal	Non-obstetric pelvic ultrasound, complete, transabdominal	76856	Pelvic Pain, Vaginal Bleeding	Female: uterus and adnexal structures, endometrium, bladder and description of any pelvic pathology. Male: bladder, prostate, and seminal vesicles and description of any pelvic pathology
US Pelvic Complete	Non-obstetric pelvic ultrasound, complete, transabdominal and transvaginal	76856- transabdominal 76830- transvag	Pelvic Pain, Vaginal Bleeding, IUD surveillance, torsion	Uterus and adnexal structures
US Preg Uterus + Exam Single	Pregnant uterus, fetal & maternal evaluation plus detailed fetal anatomic exam ,transabdominal, single or first gestation	76811	Fetal Survey	Fetal anatomy plus fetal assessment

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US Retroperitoneal Comp	Retroperitoneal (eg. Renal, aorta, nodes) <i>complete</i>	76770	Flank pain, hematuria, UTI, urinary retention	Kidneys, abdominal aorta, common iliac artery organs, inferior vena cava, and any retroperitoneal abnormality. Alternatively, complete kidneys and bladder examination
US Scrotum Testicular	Scrotum and contents	76870	Pain, palpable lump, torsion	Intra and extra-testicular structures
US Soft Tissue Neck	Soft tissues of head and neck (use for non-thyroid neck exam, eg. nodes)	76536	Lymphadenoma, lump	Lymph nodes/mass
US Thoracentesis	Thoracentesis/aspiration of the pleural space with needle or catheter and	32555	Pleural effusion	Therapeutic or diagnostic
US Thyroid and Neck	Soft tissues of head and neck (eg. thyroid, parathyroid, parotid)	76536	Enlarged thyroid/dysphagia	Thyroid parenchyma
US Thyroid Fine Needle Aspiration	Ultrasound guidance and fine needle aspiration of thyroid nodule(s)	76942, 10022	Enlarging nodule, change in nodule	Targeted sampling

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