

# MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING (MRI)

## PREAMBLE

### SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

In addition to the common elements, the professional component of MRI procedures includes the following specific elements.

#### For Professional Component P

- A. Providing clinical supervision, including approving, modifying and/or intervening in the performance of the procedure where appropriate, and quality control of all elements of the technical component of the procedure.
- B. Performance of any clinical procedure associated with the diagnostic procedure which is not separately billable (e.g. injections which are an integral part of the study).
- C. Where appropriate, post-procedure monitoring, including intervening except where this constitutes a separately billable service.
- D. Interpreting the results of the diagnostic procedure.
- E. Providing premises for any aspect(s) of A and D that is(are) performed at a place other than the place in which the procedure is performed.

If the physician claiming the fee for the service is personally unable to perform elements A, B and C, these may be delegated to another physician, who must personally perform the service.

Element D must be personally performed by the physician who claims for the service.

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## Head

X421	- multislice sequence . . . . .	71.50
E875	- with magnetic resonance spectroscopy, to X421 . . . . . add	19.40
X425	- repeat (another plane, different pulse sequence - to a maximum of 2 repeats) . . . . .	35.85
E876	- with magnetic resonance spectroscopy, to X425 . . . . . add	9.70

### Payment rule:

E875 and E876 are limited to a maximum of one each per patient per day.

## Neck

X431	- multislice sequence . . . . .	75.55
X435	- repeat (another plane, different pulse sequence - to a maximum of 3 repeats) . . . . .	37.80

## Thorax

X441	- multislice sequence . . . . .	75.55
X445	- repeat (another plane, different pulse sequence - to a maximum of 3 repeats) . . . . .	37.80

## Abdomen

X451	- multislice sequence . . . . .	75.55
X455	- repeat (another plane, different pulse sequence - to a maximum of 3 repeats) . . . . .	37.80

## Pelvis

X461	- multislice sequence . . . . .	75.55
X465	- repeat (another plane, different pulse sequence - to a maximum of 3 repeats) . . . . .	37.80

## Extremities

X471	- multislice sequence . . . . .	64.70
X475	- repeat (another plane, different pulse sequence - to a maximum of 3 repeats) . . . . .	32.40

## Multiple extremities

Imaging of two or more joints at one sitting. Requires separate surface coil, separate imaging sequence, separate filming and separate post-processing for each joint examined.

X488	- multislice sequence . . . . .	112.05
X489	- repeat (another plane, different pulse sequence - maximum of 3 repeats) . . . . .	55.95

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<b>Limited spine (one segment)</b>		
X490	- multislice sequence . . . . .	61.30
X492	- repeat (another plane, different pulse sequence - maximum of 3 repeats) . . . . .	30.70
<b>Intermediate spine (2 adjoining segments)</b>		
X493	- multislice sequence . . . . .	70.50
X495	- repeat (another plane, different pulse sequence - maximum of 3 repeats) . . . . .	35.20
<b>Complex spine (2 or more non-adjoining segments)</b>		
X496	- multislice sequence . . . . .	104.70
X498	- repeat (another plane, different pulse sequence - maximum of 3 repeats) . . . . .	52.15
X486	- when cardiac gating is performed (must include application of chest electrodes and ECG interpretation) . . . . . add 30%	
X487	- when gadolinium is used . . . . . add	37.75
X499	Three Dimensional MRI acquisition sequence, including post-processing (minimum of 60 slices; maximum 1 per patient per day). . . . .	64.00

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**NOT ALLOCATED**