



2026 Coding and Reimbursement Guide

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Magtrace® (carboxydextran-coated superparamagnetic iron oxide) injection, for subcutaneous use.

The Magtrace® lymphatic tracer and Sentimag® magnetic localization system is indicated to assist in localizing lymph nodes draining a tumor site, as part of a sentinel lymph node biopsy procedure (SLNB), in patients with breast cancer undergoing a mastectomy or lumpectomy.

Facility Payment				
HCPCS/ CPT® Code	Descriptor	Hospital Outpatient ¹		Ambulatory Surgery Center ²
		APC	Payment	Payment
Magtrace® Lymphatic Tracer				
A9697	Injection, carboxydextran-coated superparamagnetic iron oxide, per study dose	0814	\$1,254.00	\$1,254.00
Magtrace® Injection				
96372	Therapeutic, prophylactic, or diagnostic injection (specify substance or drug); subcutaneous or intramuscular	5692	\$73.56	Not included on the ASC procedure list
76942	Ultrasonic guidance for needle placement (eg, biopsy, aspiration, injection, localization device), imaging supervision and interpretation		Not separately payable	Not separately payable
38999	Unlisted procedure, hemic or lymphatic system	5241	\$450.73	Not included on the ASC procedure list
Intraoperative Procedures				
19301	Mastectomy, partial (eg, lumpectomy, tylectomy, quadrantectomy, segmentectomy)	5091	\$4,000.24	\$1,603.18
19303	Mastectomy, simple, complete	5092	\$6,783.99	\$2,848.20
+38900	Intraoperative identification (eg, mapping) of sentinel lymph node(s) includes injection of non-radioactive dye, when performed. (List separately in addition to the code for the primary procedure. Report 38900 in conjunction with 19302, 19307, or 38525)		Not separately payable	
38525	Biopsy or excision of lymph node(s); open, deep axillary node(s) (-51 Multiple Procedure may apply when reported with a mastectomy procedure)	5091	\$4,000.24	\$1,603.18

HCPCS = Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System CPT = Current Procedural Terminology APC = Ambulatory Payment Classification

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Global and Physician Professional Payment

HCPCS / CPT® Code	Descriptor	Facility ³		Non-Facility ³	
		RVUs	Payment	RVUs	Payment
Magtrace® Lymphatic Tracer					
A9697	Injection, carboxydextran-coated superparamagnetic iron oxide, per study dose	N/A	N/A		Contractor Priced
Magtrace® Injection					
96372	Therapeutic, prophylactic, or diagnostic injection (specify substance or drug); subcutaneous or intramuscular	N/A	N/A	0.46	\$15.44
76942	Ultrasonic guidance for needle placement (eg, biopsy, aspiration, injection, localization device), imaging supervision and interpretation	0.94	\$31.55	0.94	\$31.55
38999	Unlisted procedure, hemic or lymphatic system		Contractor Priced		Contractor Priced
Intraoperative Procedures					
19301	Mastectomy, partial (eg, lumpectomy, tylectomy, quadrantectomy, segmentectomy)	18.94	\$635.77	N/A	N/A
19303	Mastectomy, simple, complete	27.42	\$920.42	N/A	N/A
+38900	Intraoperative identification (eg, mapping) of sentinel lymph node(s) includes injection of non-radioactive dye, when performed. List separately in addition to the code for the primary procedure. Report 38900 in conjunction with 19302, 19307, or 38525)	3.68	\$123.53	4.34	\$145.68
38525	Biopsy or excision of lymph node(s); open, deep axillary node(s) (-51 Multiple Procedure may apply when reported with a mastectomy procedure)	12.89	\$432.69	N/A	N/A

Magtrace® Lymphatic Tracer Identifiers

Global Unique Device Identification Database (GUDID) Number:	15060391210244 (link to Access GUDID)
UPC Number (10 digit):	60391-21024
UPC Number (11 digit):	60391-0210-24

Sources:

- The national average 2026 Medicare hospital outpatient rates and status indicators are from the 2026 OPPS release, Addenda B, and D1 accessible at <https://www.cms.gov/license/ama?file=/files/zip/2026-nfrm-opps-addenda.zip>. OPSS rates are subject to update in quarterly files released by CMS and do not reflect sequestration.
- The national average 2026 Medicare ambulatory surgical center rates and payment indicators are from the 2026 Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) Payment release, Addenda AA, BB, and DD1, accessible at <https://www.cms.gov/license/ama?file=/files/zip/2026-nfrm-addendum-aa-bb-dd1-dd2-ee-ff.zip>. ASC rates are subject to update in quarterly files released by CMS and do not reflect sequestration.
- Beginning in 2026, there will be two separate conversion factors (CFs): one for items and services furnished by a qualifying alternative payment model (APM) participant (referred to as the qualifying APM conversion factor) and another for other items and services furnished by a nonqualifying APM participant (referred to as the nonqualifying APM conversion factor). The national average 2026 Medicare rates to physicians shown are based on the 2026 CF for qualifying APM participants of \$33.5675 and do not reflect payment cuts due to sequestration (the nonqualifying APM conversion factor is \$33.4009). Medicare payment for a given procedure in a given locality in 2026 should be available in the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Look-up file accessible through the CMS website at <https://www.cms.gov/apps/physician-fee-schedule/overview.aspx>. Actual payment to a physician will vary based on geographic location and may also differ based on policies and fee schedules outlined as terms in your health plan and/or payer contracts.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q1 What are the details on the pass-through payment for the Magtrace® lymphatic tracer (A9697)?

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) have approved transitional pass-through payment for the Magtrace® lymphatic tracer (A9697) effective January 1, 2025. As of that date and through 2026, hospital outpatient departments or ASCs are eligible for separate reimbursement for Medicare patients receiving the Magtrace® lymphatic tracer.

Q2 Should the Magtrace® lymphatic tracer be reported in all settings of care?

Yes. Report the Magtrace® lymphatic tracer (A9697) with assigned charges, in all settings of care. Payer rules may vary. Maintain a copy of the invoice. The acquisition/invoice cost or a copy of the invoice for Magtrace® lymphatic tracer may be requested by the payer.

Q3 If the procedure to inject Magtrace® lymphatic tracer is performed with other procedures and services, such as the placement of a localization device, is it separately reported?

Not always. Please consult the National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) and other code edits to determine if the injection procedure is separately reported or if it is included in the primary procedure performed in the same episode of care. If you have any further questions, contact The Pinnacle Health Group*.

Q4 Does the Magtrace® lymphatic tracer have an NDC number?

No, the Magtrace® lymphatic tracer is regulated by the FDA as a combination product with a device primary mode of action. As such it does not have an NDC number. The Magtrace® lymphatic tracer is now listed with First Databank and Red Book with the UPC numbers referenced. The UPC number may be reported in place of the NDC number to identify the Magtrace® lymphatic tracer.

Q5 Does the JZ or JW Modifier need to be reported?

The JW modifier may not need to be reported, but the JZ modifier may be appropriate to report. The billing unit for the Magtrace® lymphatic tracer per the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) code descriptor for A9697 is "per study dose" and that billing unit does not lead to discarded product under Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Ch. 17, section 40.

Q6 What reimbursement resources does Hologic provide?

The Pinnacle Health Group* is a third party resource which provides reimbursement and coding support through a staff of professional certified coders and can address the following:

- Coding Questions
- Insurance Coverage
- Private Payer Contracted Rates (PPR)
- Patient Benefit Verification
- Patient Pre-authorization / Pre-certification
- Claims Appeals and Denials
- HIPAA Compliance Support

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Available Monday-Friday 8:30am – 6:00pm EST

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