EX-PRESS® Glaucoma Filtration Device Coding and Billing Guide

**EX-PRESS® Glaucoma Filtration Device Description and Indication**

The EX-PRESS® Glaucoma Filtration Device is a mini glaucoma shunt. It is intended to reduce intraocular pressure in patients where medical and conventional surgical treatments have failed.

**Procedure and Device Coding**

The EX-PRESS® Glaucoma Filtration Device should be reported using Current Procedural Terminology (CPT®), 66183, insertion of anterior segment aqueous drainage device, without extraocular reservoir; external approach. HCPCS codes used to report the EX-PRESS® Glaucoma Filtration Device are C1783, ocular implant, aqueous drainage assist device, or L8612, aqueous shunt.

**Common Coding for Physicians and Facilities**

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**Diagnosis Coding**

Diagnosis coding is determined by the patient’s condition. The ICD-10 codes listed below are not an inclusive list but are commonly associated with patients receiving the EX-PRESS® Glaucoma Filtration Device.

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<td>H40.1 through H40.11</td>
<td>Open-angle glaucoma</td>
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<td>Unspecified open-angle glaucoma</td>
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EX-PRESS® Glaucoma Filtration Device Important Product Information

**CAUTION:** Federal (USA) law restricts this device to sale by, or on the order of, a physician.

**IMPORTANT PRODUCT INFORMATION**

**INDICATION:** The EX-PRESS® Glaucoma Filtration Device is intended to reduce intraocular pressure in glaucoma patients where medical and conventional surgical treatments have failed.

**CONTRAINDICATIONS:** The use of this device is contraindicated if one or more of the following conditions exist:

- Presence of ocular disease such as uveitis, ocular infection, severe dry eye, severe blepharitis,
- Pre-existing ocular or systemic pathology that, in the opinion of the surgeon, is likely to cause postoperative complications following implantation of the device, or
- Patients diagnosed with angle closure glaucoma.

**WARNINGS/PRECAUTIONS:** The EX-PRESS Device should not be implanted in eyes with very thin conjunctiva because of a potential risk of conjunctival erosion. MRI of the head is permitted, however not recommended, in the first two weeks post implantation. The device is for single use only.

**ADVERSE REACTIONS:** In a clinical study, related adverse events included glaucoma filtering surgery, device removal, revision of bleb without antimetabolites, device-iris touch, hyphema < 2 mm, shallow, AC, hypotony, and revision of bleb with antimetabolites.

**ATTENTION:** Please refer to the Directions for Use for a complete list of contraindications, warnings and precautions, adverse events, and instructions for use for the EX-PRESS Device.

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**Medicare Reimbursement**

Medicare package’s reimbursement for the EX-PRESS® device with the facility payment.

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NOTE: 66183 has a 90-day global period.

*Inclusion in a fee schedule is not a guarantee of payment. Special payment rules such as multi-procedure payment reduction, comprehensive ambulatory payment classification (C-APC) in the hospital outpatient setting, and other alternative payment models can impact actual reimbursement. Fees shown are national unadjusted payments and are subject to geographic adjustments. Source CMS.gov

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**Commercial Payer Reimbursement**

Payment from commercial payers will be contingent upon individual contracts that may need to be updated to include CPT® code 66183. Like Medicare, many commercial payer contracts package the cost of the EX-PRESS® device with facility payment for CPT® code 66183, while other commercial payers may allow an additional payment for HCPCS L8612.

Providers and facilities should contact commercial payers to verify coverage and payment for CPT® code 66183 and HCPCS L8612.

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