

Bilateral Cochlear Implant Billing Codes and Supplies

Surgical Services

The codes in this section may be reported by both the surgeon and the surgical facility (ASC/Hospital)

Concurrent Bilateral CI Implantation

These coding guidelines can be used for reporting bilateral cochlear implant procedures performed in a single surgical session

Options	Billing For	Code/Modifier	Units
	Device	L8614	2
Option 1	Procedure	69930-50	1
Option 2	Procedure	69930-LT 69930-RT	1 1
Option 3	Procedure	69930 69930-59	1 1
Option 4	Procedure	69930	2

Sequential Bilateral CI Implantation

These coding guidelines can be used for reporting bilateral cochlear implant procedures performed in separate surgical sessions.

Session 1

	Code	Units
Device	L8614	1
Procedure	69930	1

Session 2 - (Within 90 days of first surgery)

	Code/Modifier	Units
Device	L8614	1
Procedure	69930-79	1

OR

Session 2 - (More than 90 days of first surgery)

	Code	Units
Device	L8614	1
Procedure	69930	1

Modifier Definitions

50 — Bilateral procedure

59 — Distinct procedural service

79 — Unrelated procedure or service by the same physician during the postoperative period

LT — Left side

RT — Right side

Bilateral Audiology Services

Medicare's fee schedule rates pay as if all audiological services are conducted on both ears

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