

Quick Reference Guide

ULTRASOUND

Exam	Common Reason(s) for Ordering	Prep Required	CPT Code
Abdomen Complete	Nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain, abnormal blood work, history of cancer, follow-up on abdominal X-Ray, MRI or CT scan. Includes aorta, pancreas, liver, gall bladder, ducts, kidneys and spleen.	NPO for 6 hours	76700
Abdomen GB, Liver, Pancreas (Routine)	Elevated LFT's, nausea / vomiting, jaundice, abdomen pain, follow-up abnormal X-Ray, MRI or CT scan. Includes gall bladder, pancreas, liver and ducts.	NPO for 6 hours	76705
Abdomen Liver, Hepatobiliary	Elevated LFT's, nausea / vomiting, jaundice, abdomen pain, follow-up abnormal X-Ray, MRI or CT scan. Includes pancreas, liver, ducts (patient has had cholecystectomy).	NPO for 6 hours	76705
Abdomen Limited	Rule out appendicitis, check for hernia, evaluate ascites, evaluate a single organ or quadrant.	No prep required	76705
Aorta	Back pain, family or personal history of AAA, pulsatile abdominal mass, smoking, vascular disease, Medicare screening. Evaluate for AAA.	NPO for 6 hours	76775
Spleen	Enlarged spleen, possible accessory spleen, splenic injury	NPO for 6 hours	76705
Kidneys	Abnormal renal function, hematuria, follow-up mass or cyst, hematuria, back pain, recurrent UTI, renal disease or insufficiency. Bladder images included. Both kidneys are imaged.	NPO for 6 hours Drink 20 ounces of water one hour prior to exam	76770
Pelvic	Post-menopausal bleeding, pelvic pain, abnormal bleeding, menstrual concerns, fibroids, cysts, ovarian or uterine cancers. Usually trans-abdominal and trans-vaginal, unless otherwise specified by referring provider. Patient will need a full bladder for trans-abdominal portion. Evaluates uterus, ovaries, and adnexae. Male pelvic ultrasound evaluates bladder; use pelvic limited.	Arrive with a full bladder Drink at least 32 ounces of water one hour prior to exam Do <u>not</u> urinate	76856 TRANS-ABDOMINAL 76830 TRANS-VAGINAL
Pelvic (Trans-Vaginal Follicular Study — Infertility)	Evaluate ovaries for follicles and uterus for endometrium size for patients with infertility. Count number of follicles on each ovary, measure follicles over 10 mm, measure endometrium. In addition to above, a routine trans-vaginal pelvic ultrasound will be completed.	No prep required	76830
Pelvic Limited	Evaluated bladder and adnexae	Arrive with a full bladder Drink at least 32 ounces of water one hour prior to exam Do <u>not</u> urinate	76857

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OB < 14 Weeks (First Trimester)	Dates and viability for a fetus less than 14 weeks. Routine normal pregnancy, bleeding, pain in first trimester. Possible trans-vaginal if indicated.	Arrive with a full bladder Drink at least 32 ounces of water one hour prior to exam Do <u>not</u> urinate	76801
OB Trans-Vaginal	Check cervical length or if indicated in conjunction with trans-abdominal approach.	No prep required	76817
OB > 14 Weeks (Second Trimester)	Anatomy scan for a fetus greater than 14 weeks.	Arrive with a full bladder Drink at least 32 ounces of water one hour prior to exam Do <u>not</u> urinate	76805
OB Biophysical Profile (BPP) W/O NST	Approximately 30 minute exam includes: 30 seconds of breathing, three gross body movements (fetal body and/or limb movements), fetal tone (all extremities appear flexed and fetal chin is flexed) or one episode of limb extension, AFI > 5.0 cm.	No prep required	76819
OB Limited	Includes placental survey, cervical length, fetal heart rate and fluid assessment. Check position, placenta, heart rate, AFI (one or more of these elements), or to re-image anatomy that was sub-optimally seen on a previous scan. Patient must have a complete OB scan done at SAE prior to this exam.	Arrive with a full bladder Drink at least 32 ounces of water one hour prior to exam Do <u>not</u> urinate	76815
OB Follow-Up	Re-check growth, or if diagnosis is to re-check a known or previously seen abnormality. Must also do growth biometry and AFI (HC, BPD, AC, FL, AFI, HR, or first trimester measurements). Patient must have a complete OB scan done at SAE prior to this exam.	Arrive with a full bladder Drink at least 32 ounces of water one hour prior to exam Do <u>not</u> urinate	76816
Thyroid	Enlarged thyroid, palpable mass, abnormal thyroid enzymes, abnormalities seen on other modalities, dysphasia. Thyroid gland only will be imaged.	No prep required	76536
Testicular / Scrotum	Pain, swelling, redness, palpable mass, injury. Both testicles will be evaluated. Exam in conjunction with doppler exam. Order must include both CPT codes.	No prep required	93975 76870 DOPPLER EXAM
Soft Tissue Mass	Evaluate palpable mass.	No prep required	76999
Extremity – Non-Vascular	Palpable mass or pain in the area of concern, popliteal fossa non-vascular, limited, anatomic specific. Specify which extremity and location or area of concern.	No prep required	76882
Pylorus – Pediatric	Projectile vomiting, poor weight gain, abnormal stools.	NPO for 4 hours	76705
Spinal Canal / Contents – Pediatric	Sacral dimpling.	No prep required	76800
Soft Tissue Head / Neck	Palpable lump suspected within the soft tissue of the neck, suspected mass in neck. Specify location.	No prep required	76536
Cyst Aspiration	Specify location of cyst to be aspirated.	No blood thinners 3 days prior to exam	76942 AND SPECIFY EXAM LOCATION

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