

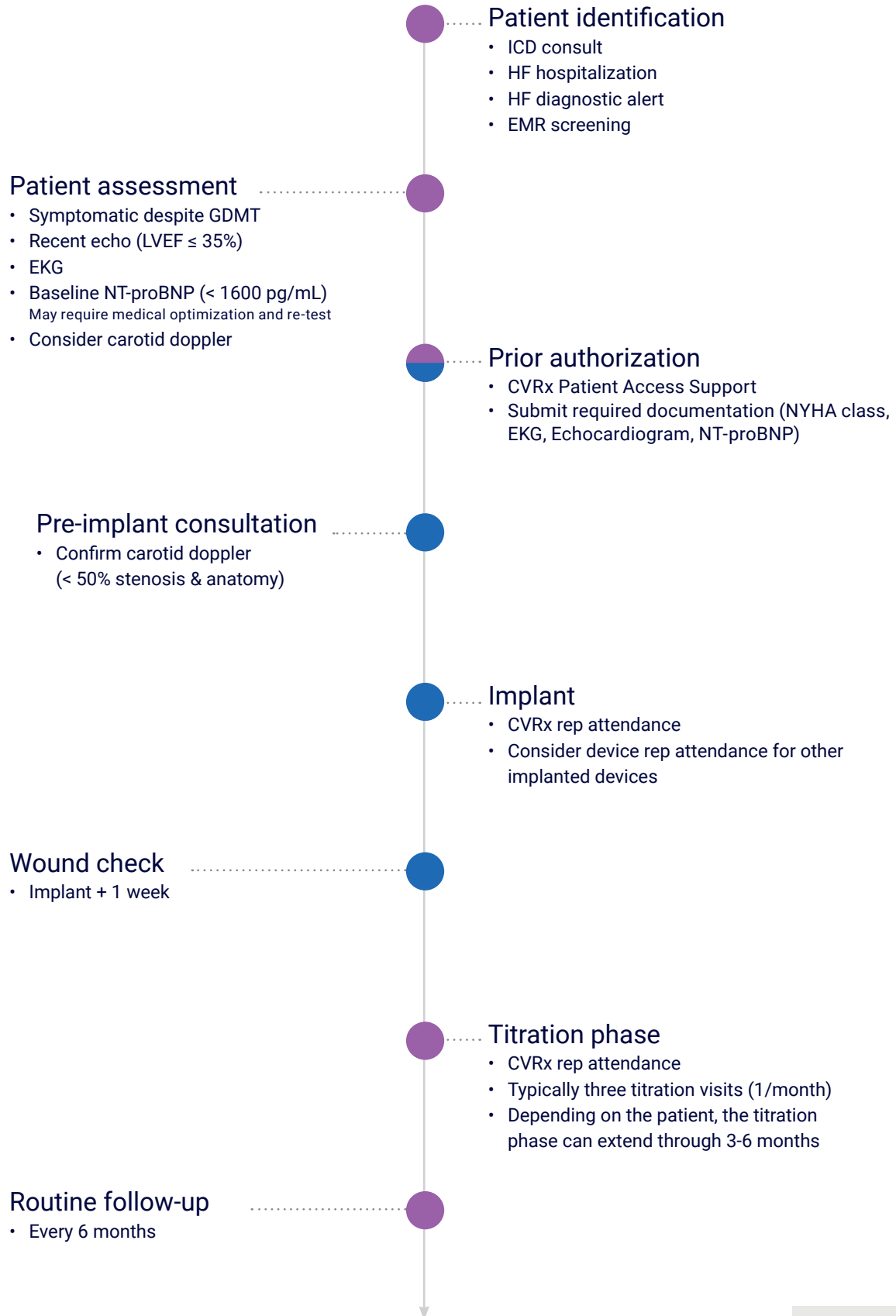


BarostimTM
Outsmart the heart

Reimbursement and clinic reference guide

Effective as of January 1 2025

Barostim Patient Flow



- Cardiologist
- HF Specialist
- Electrophysiologist
- Vascular Surgeon
- CT Surgeon
- Electrophysiologist

Patient assessment

Barostim indications¹

- NYHA III or NYHA II (with recent NYHA III) despite treatment with GDMT* (medications and devices)
- LVEF \leq 35%
- NT-proBNP < 1600 pg/mL

Barostim delivers Baroreflex Activation Therapy for improvement of patients' heart failure functional status, six-minute hall walk, and quality of life.

Contraindications

- Been assessed to have bilateral carotid bifurcations located above the level of the mandible
- Baroreflex failure or autonomic neuropathy
- Uncontrolled, symptomatic cardiac bradyarrhythmias
- Carotid atherosclerosis that is determined by ultrasound or angiographic evaluation greater than 50%
- Ulcerative plaques in the carotid artery as determined by ultrasound or angiographic evaluation
- Known allergy to silicone or titanium

NOTE: Boston Scientific's S-ICD and Medtronic's EV-ICD contraindicate patients with unipolar pacing devices (e.g.: Barostim, which uses unipolar stimulation)

*Guideline directed medical therapy (GDMT) according to 2022 AHA/ACC/ESC guidelines

Prior authorization

Barostim requires prior authorization approvals based on the patient medical necessity criteria.

CVRx offers Prior Authorization support.

CVRx Prior Authorization support provides case-by-case support for providers who perform Barostim implantation procedures.

It is a HIPAA compliant entity and offers assistance for the following services:

1. Coding and coverage information
2. Eligibility and benefit verification
3. Prior authorization
4. Pre-determination or certification
5. Pre and post service appeals

To enroll in the CVRx Prior Authorization support service or submit a request online:

www.cvr.com/healthcare-professionals/reimbursement

**Contact the CVRx helpline for copies of the forms
or with any questions:**

Email: reimbursement@cvrx.com

Phone: 763-416-2344

Fax: 855-710-7053

Follow-up

Routine follow-up phase

Once a patient has completed their titration phase, they enter into the routine follow-up phase.

Timing

- Every six months patients should return to their doctor's office for a check of the battery status and lead impedance.
- The Barostim therapy generator is designed to have an average battery life of 5 years with no charging required.

Unscheduled or urgent device checks

- Unlike pacemakers or ICDs, Barostim is not providing beat-to-beat life supporting therapy and a malfunction should not be life threatening.
- However, on rare occasions if the patient is experiencing stimulation in the neck, the therapy can be suspended with a magnet. Therapy will remain off as long as the magnet is in place. Therapy adjustments can then be made when programming is convenient.

CVRx field representatives are available to support device follow-ups and to train staff to perform routine device status checks.

Technical support (24/7)
Phone: 763-416-2343

Contact CVRx with any questions:

Email: reimbursement@cvrx.com
Phone: 763-416-2344

System implant - Commonly used diagnosis codes*

ICD-10-CM ²	Descriptor
I50.2	Systolic (Congestive) Heart Failure
I50.20	Unspecified Systolic (Congestive) Heart Failure
I50.21	Acute Systolic (Congestive) Heart Failure
I50.22	Chronic Systolic (Congestive) Heart Failure
I50.23	Acute on Chronic Systolic (Congestive) Heart Failure
I50.3	Diastolic (Congestive) Heart Failure
I50.30	Unspecified Diastolic (Congestive) Heart Failure
I50.31	Acute Diastolic (Congestive) Heart Failure
I50.32	Chronic Diastolic (Congestive) Heart Failure
I50.33	Acute on Chronic Diastolic (Congestive) Heart Failure
I50.4	Combined Systolic (Congestive) and Diastolic (Congestive) Heart Failure
I50.40	Unspecified Combined Systolic (Congestive) and Diastolic (Congestive) Heart Failure
I50.41	Acute Combined Systolic (Congestive) and Diastolic (Congestive) Heart Failure
I50.42	Chronic Combined Systolic (Congestive) and Diastolic (Congestive) Heart Failure
I50.43	Acute on Chronic Combined Systolic (Congestive) and Diastolic (Congestive) Heart Failure

*Not a complete list

System implant - physician billing

Physician system implant code (this code is used for billing)

CPT® code ³	Descriptor
0266T	Implantation or replacement of carotid sinus baroreflex activation device; total system

Barostim system implant is reported with a Category III CPT® code. When submitting codes, providers may choose to reference a comparative Category I CPT® procedure code with similar or equivalent resources (i.e. RVUs) to the Barostim implant in the claims form box 19.

Example Comparative codes (these codes are examples, they are not billed)

Comparative code	Descriptor	Work RVU ⁵
35301	Thromboendarterectomy,	21.16
64582	Open implantation of hypoglossal nerve neurostimulator array, pulse generator, and distal respiratory sensor electrode or electrode array	14

System implant physician billing sample

14. DATE OF CURRENT ILLNESS, INJURY, or PREGNANCY (LMP) MM DD YY QUAL.				15. OTHER DATE QUAL. MM DD YY				16. DATES PATIENT UNABLE TO WORK IN CURRENT OCCUPATION FROM MM DD YY TO MM DD YY						
17. NAME OF REFERRING PROVIDER OR OTHER SOURCE				17a. NPI				18. HOSPITALIZATION DATES RELATED TO CURRENT SERVICES FROM MM DD YY TO MM DD YY						
19. ADDITIONAL CLAIM INFORMATION (Designated by NUCC) 0266T is comparable to code xxxxx for which I charge \$ xxxxx				20. OUTSIDE LAB? \$ CHARGES <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO				22. RESUBMISSION CODE ORIGINAL REF. NO.						
21. DIAGNOSIS OR NATURE OF ILLNESS OR INJURY. Relate A-L to service line below (24E) 150.XX ICD Ind.				23. PRIOR AUTHORIZATION NUMBER ABC123456										
24. A. DATE(S) OF SERVICE From MM DD YY To MM DD YY		B. PLACE OF SERVICE	C. EMG	D. PROCEDURES, SERVICES, OR SUPPLIES (Explain Unusual Circumstances) CPT/HCPCS MODIFIER				E. DIAGNOSIS POINTER	F. \$ CHARGES		G. DAYS OF UNITS	H. EPSDT Family Plan	I. ID. QUAL.	J. RENDERING PROVIDER ID. #
1	01	01	25	01	01	25	22	0266T	A	XXXX	XX		NPI	
2													NPI	
3													NPI	

System implant

For an initial “**system implant**” (full device – Generator and Lead at the same time) use the following product numbers:

- **100069-202**, Barostim Neo2 Neurostimulator System IPG Model CSL Comb Kit

This procedure is always billed using **C1825** - Generator, neurostimulator (implantable), non-rechargeable with carotid sinus baroreceptor stimulation lead(s).

Any (single part below) **replacements** are billed using **C1767** (Generator) and **C1778** (Lead) – see crosswalk below and more on page 16 under Replacement

100065-202, Barostim NEO2 Model 2104 (**IPG** only)

100063-212, Barostim Neo CSL Kit Model 1036 SH (**lead** only)

Procedure	Descriptor	CPT® code ³	HCPCS code ⁴	Item #
Initial Barostim System Implant (Kit) De novo implant only	Implantation or replacement of carotid sinus baroreflex activation device; total system	0266T	C1825	100069-202, Barostim Neo2 Neurostimulator System IPG Model CSL Comb Kit
Battery replacement only (Barostim)	Implantation or replacement of carotid sinus baroreflex activation device; pulse generator only	0268T	C1767	100065-202, Barostim NEO2 Model 2104 IPG (only)
Lead replacement only	Implantation or replacement of carotid sinus baroreflex activation device; lead only, unilateral	0267T	C1778	100063-212, Barostim Neo CSL Kit Model 1036 SH (lead only)

Contact the CVRx Reimbursement team for initial chargemaster set up at 763-416-2344 or reimbursement@cvrx.com.

System implant - outpatient hospital billing⁴

CPT® code ³	Descriptor	Status indicator	APC ⁶
0266T	Implantation or replacement of carotid sinus baroreflex activation device; total system	S	1580

S - Procedure or Service, Not Discounted When Multiple. Paid under OPPS; separate APC payment.

HCPCS code ⁴	Descriptor	APC ⁶
C1825	Generator, neurostimulator (implantable), non-rechargeable with carotid sinus baroreceptor stimulation lead(s)	2030

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Outpatient UB-04 sample

1		2		3a PAT. CNTL.#		4 TYPE OF BILL	
						131	
				5 FED. TAX NO.		6 STATEMENT COVERS PERIOD FROM	
						01012025 01012025	
8 PATIENT NAME		a PATIENT NAME		9 PATIENT ADDRESS		a	
b		b		c		d	
10 BIRTHDATE		11 SEX		12 DATE		13 HR	
14 TYPE		15 SRC		16 DHR		17 STAT	
18		19		20		21	
22		23		24		25	
26		27		28		29 ACDT STATE	
30		31 OCCURRENCE DATE		32 OCCURRENCE DATE		33 OCCURRENCE DATE	
34 OCCURRENCE DATE		35 OCCURRENCE DATE		36 OCCURRENCE SPAN FROM		37 OCCURRENCE SPAN THROUGH	
38		39 CODE		40 VALUE CODES AMOUNT		41 CODE	
a		a		b		c	
b		b		c		d	
c		c		d		d	
d		d		e		e	
PATIENT NAME		PATIENT ADDRESS					
PATIENT ADDRESS							
42 REV. CD.		43 DESCRIPTION		44 HCPCS / RATE / HIPPS CODE		45 SERV. DATE	
46 SERV. UNITS		47 TOTAL CHARGES		48 NON-COVERED CHARGES		49	
1		1		1		1	
0130		EKG				# \$XXXXX XX	
2		2		2		2	
0250		PHARMACY				# \$XXXXX XX	
3		3		3		3	
0258		IV SOLUTION				# \$XXXXX XX	
4		4		4		4	
0270		MEDICAL / SURGICAL SUPPLIES				# \$XXXXX XX	
5		5		5		5	
0278		OTHER DEVICE / IMPLANT		C1825		01012025 1 \$XXXXX XX	
6		6		6		6	
0360		OPERATING ROOM		0266T		01012025 1 \$XXXXX XX	
7		7		7		7	
0370		ANESTHESIA				# \$XXXXX XX	
8		8		8		8	
0710		RECOVERY ROOM				# \$XXXXX XX	
9		9		9		9	
10		10		10		10	

System implant - inpatient hospital billing⁶

ICD-10-PCS procedure code ²	Descriptor	Typical MS-DRG assignment ⁷
OJH60MZ	Insertion of stimulator generator into chest subcutaneous tissue and fascia, open approach	276
AND		
03HK3MZ	Insertion of stimulator lead into right internal carotid artery, percutaneous approach	Cardiac Defibrillator Implant with MCC or Carotid Sinus Neurostimulator
OR		
03HL3MZ	Insertion of stimulator lead into left internal carotid artery, percutaneous approach	Neurostimulator

Contact CVRx Reimbursement team for initial chargemaster set up at 763-416-2344 or reimbursement@cvrx.com.

Inpatient UB-04 sample

1		2		3a. PAT. CNTRL #		4. TYPE OF BILL	
				b. MED. REC. #		131	
				5. FED. TAX NO.		6. STATEMENT COVERS PERIOD FROM	
						7. THROUGH	
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b.		b.		c.		d.	
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				01012025		13. HR	
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						15. SRC	
						16. DHR	
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35. CODE		36. CODE		37. CODE		38. CODE	
39. VALUE CODES AMOUNT		40. VALUE CODES AMOUNT		41. VALUE CODES AMOUNT		42. VALUE CODES AMOUNT	
a.		b.		c.		d.	
b.		c.		d.		e.	
c.		d.		e.		f.	
d.		e.		f.		g.	
42. REV. CD.		43. DESCRIPTION		44. HCPCS / RATE / HIPPS CODE		45. SERV. DATE	
1. 0130		EKG				46. SERV. UNITS	
2. 0250		PHARMACY				#	
3. 0258		IV SOLUTION				\$XXXXX XX	
4. 0270		MEDICAL / SURGICAL SUPPLIES				#	
5. 0278		OTHER DEVICE / IMPLANT				#	
6. 0360		OPERATING ROOM				1	
7. 0370		ANESTHESIA				\$XXXXX XX	
8. 0710		RECOVERY ROOM				#	
9.						\$XXXXX XX	
47. TOTAL CHARGES		48. NON-COVERED CHARGES		49.			

69. ADMIT DX		70. PATIENT REASON DX		a.		b.		c.		71. PPS CODE		72. ECI		a.		b.		c.		73.	
74. PRINCIPAL PROCEDURE DATE		a. OTHER PROCEDURE DATE		b. OTHER PROCEDURE DATE		75.		76. ATTENDING		NPI		QUAL		LAST		FIRST					
0JH60MZ		01/01/2025		03HK3MZ		01/01/2025								LAST		FIRST					
c. OTHER PROCEDURE DATE		d. OTHER PROCEDURE DATE		e. OTHER PROCEDURE DATE				77. OPERATING		NPI		QUAL		LAST		FIRST					
								78. OTHER		NPI		QUAL		LAST		FIRST					
80. REMARKS		81CC a.		b.		c.		79. OTHER		NPI		QUAL		LAST		FIRST					
		c.		d.				LAST		NPI		QUAL		LAST		FIRST					

Follow-up - physician billing

Possible **primary diagnosis** codes for interrogation and programming. Possible **secondary diagnosis** codes for interrogation and programming are Heart Failure diagnosis codes (see page 6)

Code ²	Descriptor
Z45.09	Encounter for adjustment and management of other cardiac device
Z45.89	Encounter for adjustment and management of other implanted devices

Follow up visits or services may be billed independently from the Barostim device interrogation (with or without programming) and evaluation visits.

Part 1 Physician billing: follow up visit CPT® codes

Category III CPT® codes are not assigned global periods, so any subsequent visits or services may be billed independently from the initial procedure. The following E/M CPT® codes may be used to report follow-up visits. If device interrogation/programming is also performed, the -25 modifier may be added to the E/M code to indicate that it is a separate service.

CPT® code ³	
99211	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of an established patient that may not require the presence of a physician or other qualified health care professional.
99212	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of an established patient, which requires a medically appropriate history and/or examination and straightforward medical decision making. When using total time on the date of the encounter for code selection, 10 minutes must be met or exceeded.
99213	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of an established patient, which requires a medically appropriate history and/or examination and low level of medical decision making. When using total time on the date of the encounter for code selection, 20 minutes must be met or exceeded.
99214	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of an established patient, which requires a medically appropriate history and/or examination and moderate level of medical decision making. When using total time on the date of the encounter for code selection, 30 minutes must be met or exceeded.
99215	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of an established patient, which requires a medically appropriate history and/or examination and high level of medical decision making. When using total time on the date of the encounter for code selection, 40 minutes must be met or exceeded.

Follow-up - physician coding and billing (continued)

Part 2 Physician billing: follow-up visit device interrogation with programming³

Whenever programming is performed, it is essential that physicians individually document the specific parameters changed for coding purposes. Barostim device interrogation is reported with Category III CPT® codes. When submitting claim information, providers may choose to reference a comparative Category I CPT® procedure code with similar or equivalent resources (i.e. RVUs) to the Barostim implant in the claims form box 19.

This code is used for billing:

CPT® 0273T - Interrogation device evaluation with programming

Interrogation device evaluation (in person), carotid sinus baroreflex activation system, including telemetric iterative communication with the implantable device to monitor device diagnostics and programmed therapy values, with interpretation and report; with programming

Example Comparative codes (these codes are examples, they are not billed):

CPT® Code ³	Descriptor	RVU ⁵
93284	...multiple lead transvenous implantable defibrillator system	3.12 T 1.25W
93281	...multiple lead pacemaker system	2.47 T .85 W
93282	...single lead transvenous implantable defibrillator system	2.35 T .85 W

This code is used for billing:

CPT® 0272T – Interrogation device evaluation

Interrogation device evaluation (in person), carotid sinus baroreflex activation system, including telemetric iterative communication with the implantable device to monitor device diagnostics and programmed therapy values, with interpretation and report (eg, battery status, lead impedance, pulse amplitude, pulse width, therapy frequency, pathway mode, burst mode, therapy start/stop times each day)

Example Comparative codes (these codes are examples, they are not billed):

CPT® Code ³	Descriptor	RVU ⁵
93289	...single, dual, or multiple lead transvenous implantable defibrillator system, including analysis of heart rhythm derived data elements	2.12 T .75 W
93261	...implantable subcutaneous lead defibrillator system	2.08 T .74 W
93288	...single, dual, or multiple lead pacemaker system, or leadless pacemaker system	1.66 T .43 W

Follow up and device titration physician billing sample

14. DATE OF CURRENT ILLNESS, INJURY, or PREGNANCY (LMP) MM DD YY QUAL.										15. OTHER DATE QUAL. MM DD YY					16. DATES PATIENT UNABLE TO WORK IN CURRENT OCCUPATION FROM MM DD YY TO MM DD YY									
17. NAME OF REFERRING PROVIDER OR OTHER SOURCE										17a.					18. HOSPITALIZATION DATES RELATED TO CURRENT SERVICES FROM MM DD YY TO MM DD YY									
17b. NPI										20. OUTSIDE LAB? \$ CHARGES <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO														
19. ADDITIONAL CLAIM INFORMATION (Designated by NUCC) 027XT comparable to XXXXX for which I charge \$XX,XXX															22. RESUBMISSION CODE					ORIGINAL REF. NO.				
21. DIAGNOSIS OR NATURE OF ILLNESS OR INJURY Relate A-L to service line below (24E) A. Z45.XX B. I50.XX C. I D. I E. I F. I G. I H. I I. I J. I K. I L. I															23. PRIOR AUTHORIZATION NUMBER									
24. A. DATE(S) OF SERVICE From To B. PLACE OF SERVICE C. EMG D. PROCEDURES, SERVICES, OR SUPPLIES (Explain Unusual Circumstances) E. DIAGNOSIS POINTER F. \$ CHARGES G. DAYS OR UNITS H. EPSON Family Plan I. ID. QUAL J. RENDERING PROVIDER ID. #																								
1										01 01 25 01 01 25 11 027XT * A XXX XX NPI														
2										01 01 25 01 01 25 11 9921X 25 A XXX XX NPI														
3										* Use 0272T for Device Interrogation only NPI														
4										Use 0273T for Device Interrogation and Programming NPI														
5										NPI														
6										NPI														

PHYSICIAN OR SUPPLIER INFORMATION

Generator replacement - physician billing

Physician generator replacement code (this code is used for billing)

CPT® code ³	Descriptor
Battery replacement	

0268T Implantation or replacement of carotid sinus baroreflex activation device; pulse generator only (includes intra-operative interrogation, programming, and repositioning, when performed)

Barostim generator replacement is reported with Category III CPT® codes. When submitting claim information, providers may choose to reference a comparative Category I CPT® procedure code with similar or equivalent resources (i.e. RVUs) to the Barostim implant in the claims form box 19.

Example Comparative codes (these codes are examples, they are not billed)

Comparative code	Work RVU ⁵
61885 Insertion or replacement of cranial neurostimulator pulse generator or receiver, direct or inductive coupling; with connection to a single electrode array	6.05

Generator replacement physician billing sample

14. DATE OF CURRENT ILLNESS, INJURY, or PREGNANCY (LMP) MM DD YY QUAL.				15. OTHER DATE QUAL. MM DD YY				16. DATES PATIENT UNABLE TO WORK IN CURRENT OCCUPATION FROM MM DD YY TO MM DD YY													
17. NAME OF REFERRING PROVIDER OR OTHER SOURCE							17a.				18. HOSPITALIZATION DATES RELATED TO CURRENT SERVICES FROM MM DD YY TO MM DD YY										
							17b.	NPI			20. OUTSIDE LAB? \$ CHARGES <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO										
19. ADDITIONAL CLAIM INFORMATION (Designated by NUCC) 0268T is comparable to code xxxxx for which I charge \$ xxxxx											22. RESUBMISSION CODE ORIGINAL REF. NO.										
21. DIAGNOSIS OR NATURE OF ILLNESS OR INJURY Relate A-L to service line below (24E) A. <u>150.XX</u> B. _____ C. _____ D. _____ E. _____ F. _____ G. _____ H. _____ I. _____ J. _____ K. _____ L. _____											23. PRIOR AUTHORIZATION NUMBER ABC123456										
24. A. DATE(S) OF SERVICE		B. PLACE OF SERVICE		C. EMG		D. PROCEDURES, SERVICES, OR SUPPLIES (Explain Unusual Circumstances) CPT/HCPCS MODIFIER				E. DIAGNOSIS POINTER		F. \$ CHARGES		G. DAYS OR UNITS		H. ERSOI Family Plan		I. ID. QUAL.		J. RENDERING PROVIDER ID. #	
From MM DD YY To MM DD YY		SERVICE				0268T				A		XXXX XX						NPI			
1		01 01 25 01 01 25		22														NPI			
2																		NPI			
3																		NPI			

Generator replacement - outpatient hospital billing

CPT® code ³	Descriptor	Status indicator	APC ⁶
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Battery replacement

0268T	Implantation or replacement of carotid sinus baroreflex activation device; pulse generator only (includes intra-operative interrogation, programming, and repositioning, when performed)	J1	5465
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HCPCS level II device codes

The following HCPCS Level II codes should be used for cost reporting purposes when reporting Barostim generator replacement. In general, C-codes are used for billing Medicare and L-codes are used for billing private payers, although some private payers may also accept C-codes.

HCPCS code ⁴	Descriptor
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Battery and lead replacement

C1767	Generator, neurostimulator (implantable), non-rechargeable
C1778	Lead, neurostimulator (implantable)
L8686	Implantable neurostimulator pulse generator, single array, non-rechargeable, includes extension
L8680	Implantable neurostimulator electrode, each

Generator replacement outpatient UB-04 sample

31 OCCURRENCE DATE		32 OCCURRENCE DATE		33 OCCURRENCE DATE		34 OCCURRENCE DATE		35 OCCURRENCE SPAN FROM THROUGH		36 OCCURRENCE SPAN FROM THROUGH		37						
CODE	DATE	CODE	DATE	CODE	DATE	CODE	DATE	CODE	FROM	THROUGH	CODE	FROM	THROUGH					
38													39 VALUE CODES AMOUNT		40 VALUE CODES AMOUNT		41 VALUE CODES AMOUNT	
PATIENT NAME													a					
PATIENT ADDRESS													b					
													c					
													d					
42 REV. CD.	43 DESCRIPTION	44 HCPCS / RATE / HIPPS CODE				45 SERV. DATE	46 SERV. UNITS	47 TOTAL CHARGES		48 NON-COVERED CHARGES		49						
1	0130 EKG						#	\$XXXXX	XX			1						
2	0250 PHARMACY						#	\$XXXXX	XX			2						
3	0258 IV SOLUTION						#	\$XXXXX	XX			3						
4	0270 MEDICAL / SURGICAL SUPPLIES						#	\$XXXXX	XX			4						
5	0278 OTHER DEVICE / IMPLANT	C1767				01012025	1	\$XXXXX	XX			5						
6	0360 OPERATING ROOM	0268T				01012025	1	\$XXXXX	XX			6						
7	0370 ANESTHESIA						#	\$XXXXX	XX			7						
8	0710 RECOVERY ROOM						#	\$XXXXX	XX			8						

Ambulatory surgery center

Procedures involving the Barostim System may be also performed in the Ambulatory Surgery Centers (ASC). The following CPT® codes may be used as a guide for Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) reporting.

CPT® code ³	Descriptor	ASC ⁶ payment indicator
Insertion/Replacement		
0266T	Implantation or replacement of carotid sinus baroreflex activation device; total system (includes generator placement, unilateral or bilateral lead placement, intra-operative interrogation, programming, and repositioning, when performed)	J8
0268T	Implantation or replacement of carotid sinus baroreflex activation device; pulse generator only (includes intra-operative interrogation, programming, and repositioning, when performed)	J8
Revision/Removal		
0269T	Revision or removal of carotid sinus baroreflex activation device; total system (includes generator placement, unilateral or bilateral lead placement, intra-operative interrogation, programming, and repositioning, when performed)	G2
0270T	Revision or removal of carotid sinus baroreflex activation device; lead only, unilateral (includes intra-operative interrogation, programming, and repositioning, when performed)	G2
0271T	Revision or removal of carotid sinus baroreflex activation device; pulse generator only (includes intra-operative interrogation, programming, and repositioning, when performed)	G2

J8 – Device intensive procedure, paid at adjusted rate

G2 – Non office-based surgical procedure added in CY 2008 or later; payment based on OPPS relative payment weight

Reimbursement appendix⁴

CPT [®] code ³	Descriptor	Status indicator	APC ⁶
0266T	Implantation or replacement of carotid sinus baroreflex activation device; total system	S	1580
0267T	Implantation or replacement of carotid sinus baroreflex activation device; lead only, unilateral (includes intra-operative interrogation, programming, and repositioning, when performed)	J1	5461
0268T	Implantation or replacement of carotid sinus baroreflex activation device; pulse generator only (includes intra-operative interrogation, programming, and repositioning, when performed)	J1	5465
0269T	Revision or removal of carotid sinus baroreflex activation device; total system (includes generator placement, unilateral or bilateral lead placement, intra-operative interrogation, programming, and repositioning, when performed)	Q2	5432
0270T	Revision or removal of carotid sinus baroreflex activation device; lead only, unilateral (includes intra-operative interrogation, programming, and repositioning, when performed)	J1	5461
0271T	Revision or removal of carotid sinus baroreflex activation device; pulse generator only (includes intra-operative interrogation, programming, and repositioning, when performed)	J1	5461
0272T	Interrogation device evaluation (in person), carotid sinus baroreflex activation system, including telemetric iterative communication with the implantable device to monitor device diagnostics and programmed therapy values, with interpretation and report (eg, battery status, lead impedance, pulse amplitude, pulse width, therapy frequency, pathway mode, burst mode, therapy start/stop times each day)	S	5721
0273T	Interrogation device evaluation (in person), carotid sinus baroreflex activation system, including telemetric iterative communication with the implantable device to monitor device diagnostics and programmed therapy values, with interpretation and report; with programming	S	5721

Hospital Outpatient Status Indicator:

J1- Hospital Part B services paid through a Comprehensive APC (C-APC). Comprehensive APCs (C-APCs) were established for certain payment groups (e.g., device intensive) whereby Medicare only reimburses a single C-APC on a date of service.

Q2- Paid under OPPS; Addendum B displays APC assignments when services are separately payable.

S- Procedure or Service, Not Discounted When Multiple; *Medicare rate for 2025

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CAUTION: Federal law restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a physician. See Instructions for Use 900133-001 for a complete instruction for use and a description of indications, contraindications, warnings, precautions and adverse events.

Barostim is indicated for patients who are NYHA Class III or Class II (who had a recent history of Class III) despite treatment with guideline-directed medical therapies (medications and devices), have a left ventricular ejection fraction of $\leq 35\%$, and a NT-proBNP <1600 pg/ml. Barostim delivers Baroreflex Activation Therapy for improvement of patients' heart failure functional status, six-minute hall walk, and quality of life.

Patients are contraindicated if they have been assessed to have bilateral carotid bifurcations located above the level of the mandible, baroreflex failure or autonomic neuropathy, uncontrolled symptomatic cardiac bradyarrhythmias, carotid atherosclerosis that is determined by ultrasound or angiographic evaluation greater than 50%, ulcerative plaques in the carotid artery as determined by ultrasound or angiographic evaluation, known allergy to silicone or titanium.

Warnings include: only trained physicians may use this system, prescribing physicians should be experienced in the diagnosis and treatment of heart failure and should be familiar with the use of this system, monitor blood pressure and heart rate during Carotid Sinus Lead placement and when adjusting stimulation parameters intra-operatively, post-implantation, program the system to avoid the following: heart rate falls below 50 beats per minute (BPM), or systolic pressure falls below 90 mmHg, or diastolic blood pressure falls below 50 mmHg, or problematic adjacent tissue stimulation is noted, or undesirable interaction indicated by monitoring of any other implanted electrical device (see "Device Interaction Testing" in Section 10), or any other potentially hazardous patient responses are observed. Improper system implantation could result in serious injury or death. Do not use diathermy therapy including shortwave, microwave, or therapeutic ultrasound diathermy on patients implanted with the system. Patients should be counseled to stay at least 15 cm (6 inches) away from devices with strong electrical or magnetic fields such as strong magnets, loudspeaker magnets, Electronic Article Surveillance (EAS) system tag deactivators, arc welders, induction furnaces, and other similar electrical or electromechanical devices. This would include not placing items such as earphones in close proximity to the implanted pulse generator. The IPG may affect the operation of other implanted devices such as cardiac defibrillators, pacemakers, or neurological stimulation systems. For patients who currently have an implanted electrical medical device, physicians must verify compatibility with the implanted device during implantation of the system. Contralateral implant of the Barostim NEO IPG may help to reduce potential interactions. Interactions are more likely in devices that contain a sensing function, such as an implantable cardiac defibrillator or pacemaker. If an interaction is observed, the Barostim NEO IPG should be programmed to reduced therapy output settings in order to eliminate the interaction. If necessary, change settings in the other implant only if the changes are not expected to negatively impact its ability to perform its prescribed therapy. During the implant procedure, if device interactions cannot be eliminated the Barostim NEO System should not be implanted.

Precautions include: the system should be implanted and programmed carefully to avoid stimulation of tissues near the electrode or in the area of the IPG pocket. Such extraneous stimulation could involve the following: the regional nerves, causing laryngeal irritation, difficulty swallowing, or dyspnea, the cervical musculature, causing intermittent contraction, skeletal muscles, causing intermittent contraction around the IPG pocket. Proper sterile technique during implantation should be practiced and aggressive pre-operative antibiotics are recommended. Infections related to any implanted device are difficult to treat and may necessitate device explantation.

It is anticipated that subjects will be exposed to operative and post-operative risks similar to related surgical procedures involving the neck and/or a pacemaker implant. These risks and potential risks of chronic device based baroreflex activation may include, but are not limited to: stroke, transient ischemic attack (TIA), systemic embolization, surgical or anesthetic complications, infection, wound complications, arterial damage, pain, nerve damage/stimulation, hypotension, hypertensive crisis, respiratory, exacerbation of heart failure, cardiac arrhythmias, tissue erosion/IPG migration, injury to baroreceptors, fibrosis, allergic reaction, general injury to user or patient, need for reoperation, secondary operative procedure, and death. Patients implanted with the system may receive Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) only when all MR Conditional safety parameters are met as listed in the instructions for use.

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