

GI CPT Coding Cheat Sheet

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This guide features a structured list of the most commonly reported CPT codes in gastroenterology, grouped by procedure type for quick reference. Designed for billing and coding professionals, it reflects current top CPT Codes for Gastro Practices

Capsule Endoscopy

Capsule endoscopy codes are used for non-invasive imaging of the small bowel or colon. These are increasingly used when traditional scopes aren't suitable or fully diagnostic.

CPT Code	Procedure Description
45393	Colonoscopy with decompression and tube placement
45398	Colonoscopy with band ligation
91110	Capsule endoscopy, small bowel

Esophagoscopy Specific Codes

This group includes flexible esophagoscopies, commonly used to evaluate the esophagus directly. Useful for variceal treatment, foreign body removal, and dilation.

CPT Code	Procedure Description
91111	Capsule endoscopy, esophagus
91113	Capsule endoscopy, colon
43200	Esophagoscopy, diagnostic
43202	Esophagoscopy with biopsy
43204	Esophagoscopy with sclerosis of varices
43205	Esophagoscopy with banding of varices
43211	Esophagoscopy with mucosal resection
43212	Esophagoscopy with stent placement
43214	Esophagoscopy with balloon dilation (30mm)
43215	Esophagoscopy with foreign body removal
43216	Esophagoscopy with hot biopsy removal
43217	Esophagoscopy with snare removal
43220	Esophagoscopy with balloon dilation (<30mm)
43226	Esophagoscopy with guidewire and dilation
43227	Esophagoscopy with control of bleeding
43229	Esophagoscopy with lesion ablation
47000	Extended GI procedure code 1



Lower GI Procedures (Colonoscopy)

These codes apply to colonoscopies, from basic diagnostic scopes to polypectomies, EMR, and stent placements. Most frequently used in colorectal screenings and chronic GI symptom workups.

CPT Code	Procedure Description
44388	Colonoscopy through stoma, diagnostic
44389	Colonoscopy through stoma with biopsy
44390	Colonoscopy through stoma with foreign body removal
44391	Colonoscopy through stoma with control of bleeding
44392	Colonoscopy through stoma with hot biopsy
44394	Colonoscopy through stoma with snare removal
44401	Colonoscopy through stoma with ablation
44402	Colonoscopy through stoma with stent placement
44403	Colonoscopy through stoma with mucosal resection
44404	Colonoscopy through stoma with injection
44405	Colonoscopy through stoma with balloon dilation
45378	Diagnostic colonoscopy

Stoma Procedures (Colonoscopy through stoma)

These codes are for colonoscopies performed through a stoma, often in post-surgical patients. Each code reflects specific interventions like biopsies, snare removal, or balloon dilation.

CPT Code	Procedure Description
45379	Colonoscopy with foreign body removal
45380	Colonoscopy with biopsy
45381	Colonoscopy with submucosal injection
45382	Colonoscopy with control of bleeding
45384	Colonoscopy with hot biopsy forceps
45385	Colonoscopy with polyp/lesion removal by snare
45386	Colonoscopy with balloon dilation
45388	Colonoscopy with ablation
45389	Colonoscopy with endoscopic stent
45390	Colonoscopy with mucosal resection



Upper GI Procedures (EGD & Esophagoscopy)

These codes cover diagnostic and therapeutic upper GI procedures like EGDs and esophagoscopies. Commonly used for evaluating reflux, ulcers, varices, and lesions.

CPT Code	Procedure Description
43235	EGD, diagnostic, no biopsy
43239	EGD with biopsy
43249	EGD with dilation (balloon, <30mm)
43251	EGD with lesion removal by snare
43254	EGD with mucosal resection
43255	EGD with control of bleeding
43266	EGD with endoscopic stent placement
43270	EGD with ablation of lesions

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