

2020 Medicare Average Payment for Application of High Cost Skin Substitutes

HCCPS code C1849 for “Skin substitute, synthetic”, effective July 1, 2020

CPT Code	Description	Facility					Physician	
		GSI ¹	SI ²	APC	Hospital Outpatient	ASC	RVU	MFPS Professional Fee ³
15271	Application of skin substitute graft to trunk, arms, legs, total wound surface area up to 100 sq cm ; first 25 sq cm or less wound surface area	000	T	5054	\$1,622.74	\$819.95	1.50	\$88.42
+15272	each additional 25 sq cm wound surface area, or part thereof (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)	ZZZ	N	N/A	Packaged	Packaged	0.33	\$18.41
15273	Application of skin substitute graft to trunk, arms, legs, total wound surface area ≥ 100 sq cm ; first 100 sq cm wound surface area, or 1% of body area of infants and children	000	T	5055	\$2,977.29	\$1504.38	3.50	\$210.04
+15274	each additional 100 sq cm wound surface area, or part thereof, or each additional 1% of body area of infants and children or part thereof (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)	ZZZ	N	N/A	Packaged	Packaged	0.80	\$47.64
15275	Application of skin substitute graft to face, scalp, eyelids, mouth, neck, ears, orbits, genitalia, hands, feet, and/or multiple digits, total wound surface area up to 100 sq cm ; first 25 sq cm or less wound surface area	000	T	5054	\$1622.74	\$819.95	1.83	\$99.25
+15276	each additional 25 sq cm wound surface area or part thereof (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)	ZZZ	N	N/A	Packaged	Packaged	0.5	\$27.07
15277	Application of skin substitute graft to face, scalp, eyelids, mouth, neck, ears, orbits, genitalia, hands, feet, and/or multiple digits, total wound surface area ≥ 100 sq cm ; first	000	T	5054	\$1622.74	\$819.95	4.00	\$238.19

¹ Global Surgery Indicators: 000 = Minor surgery (no post-operative payment included) ZZZ = Add-on codes – can be billed only with another service, and no post-operative payment is included

² Medicare HOPPS Status Indicator: T = Significant Procedure, Multiple reduction applies, N = payment is packaged into payment for other services and there is no separate payment

³ Unadjusted for individual localities

	100 sq cm wound surface area , or 1% of body area of infants and children							
+15278	each additional 100 sq cm wound surface area , or part thereof, or each additional 1% of body area of infants and children, or part thereof (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)	ZZZ	N	N/A	Packaged	Packaged	1.00	\$60.27

2020 / 2021 HCPCS for Synthetic Skin Substitutes – Hospital Inpatient / Hospital Outpatient Department / Ambulatory Surgical Center Setting

HCPCS Code	Description	Skin Substitute Cost Category
C1849	Skin substitute, synthetic	High Cost

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