

CT CONTRAST ORDERING GUIDELINES

| BODY PART | REASON FOR EXAM | PROCEDURE NAME | CPT CODE |
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| HEAD | Trauma/Headaches/TIA/Confusion | CT Head w/o Contrast | 70450 |
| | Metastasis/Tumor/Mass | CT Head w/o & with Contrast | 70470 |
| | Aneurysm/Brain Bleed | CTA (Angiography) Head w/o & with Contrast | 70496 |
| SINUS | Sinus Congestion | CT Maxillofacial w/o Contrast | 70486 |
| ORBIT (EYES ONLY) | Trauma/Foreign Body | CT Orbits w/o Contrast | 70480 |
| | Eye Infection/Mass/Abscess | CT Orbits with Contrast | 70481 |
| | Enophthalmos/Exophthalmos | CT Orbits w/o & with Contrast | 70482 |
| FACIAL BONES | Trauma/Pain/Fracture | CT Maxillofacial w/o Contrast | 70486 |
| | Tumor/Infection/Abscess | CT Maxillofacial with Contrast | 70487 |
| TEMPORAL BONES | Hearing Loss/Tinnitus/Cholesteatoma | CT Temporal Bone w/o Contrast | 70480 |
| | Pulsatile Tinnitus | CTA Head AND CT Temporal Bones | 70496 70480 |
| NECK (GENERAL) | Swelling/Mass/Tumor/Pain/Lymphadenopathy/ Parotid Mass/Vocal Cord/Cancer | CT Soft Tissue Neck with Contrast | 70491 |
| | Throat pain/Swelling/Sore Throat/Concern for Foreign Body/No Known History of CA | CT Soft Tissue Neck w/o Contrast | 70490 |
| | Parathyroid/Elevated PTH | CT Soft Tissue Neck w/o & with Contrast (4D Study) | 70492 |
| | Evaluation of Carotids and Vertebral Arteries | CT Angiography of Neck | 70498 |
| CHEST | Pulmonary Nodule/COPD/Abnormal CXR/Rib Pain | CT Chest w/o Contrast | 71250 |
| | Cough/Cancer/Staging/Abnormal CXR/Mass | CT Chest with Contrast | 71260 |
| | High Resolution Chest for Interstitial Lung Disease | CT Chest High Resolution w/o Contrast | 71250 |
| | Aneurysm/Dissection | CTA Thoracic Aorta | 71275 |
| CHEST Cardiac Score *avoid caffeine 4 hours prior to exam | Hypertension/High Cholesterol/Diabetic/Family History of Cardiovascular Disease | CT Calcium Scoring | SELF PAY ONLY Procedure Pricing at: www.dic-KC.com |
| CHEST Lung Screening | Must be between the ages of 50-77 with a 20-pack smoking history. Current smoker or quit within the last 15 years | CT Low Dose Lung Screening w/o Contrast | 71271 |
| ABDOMEN *Coverage is from diaphragm to iliac crest only, not to be ordered to evaluate colon | RUQ Or LUQ Pain/Contraindication to IV Contrast | CT Abdomen w/o Contrast | 74150 |
| | Epigastric Pain, RUQ or LUQ Pain | CT Abdomen with Contrast | 74160 |
| | Renal Mass/Elevated LFT's/Pancreatitis/Adrenal Mass/ Liver Lesion | CT Abdomen w/o & with Contrast | 74170 |
| | Evaluate Renal Arteries/Abdominal Aneurysm Stent/graft Evaluation | CTA Angiography of Abdomen | 74175 |



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| PELVIS *Coverage is from top of iliac crest through lesser trochanters | Pelvic & Hip Fractures/Pain/Arthritis/SI Joints | CT Pelvis w/o Contrast | 72192 |
| | Tumor/Metastatic Cancer/Abscess/Fistula | CT Pelvis with Contrast | 72193 |
| PELVIS Cystogram | Bladder Tumors/Bladder Cancer/Bladder Diverticulum | CT Pelvis w/o Contrast *Contrast is administered via Foley | 72192 |
| ABDOMEN & PELVIS (Coverage is from the top of the diaphragm to below the lesser trochanters) *Always when bowel is of concern. | Stone/Flank Pain/Hematuria/General Pain & Contraindication to IV Contrast | CT Abdomen and Pelvis w/o Contrast | 74176 |
| | Pain/Diverticulitis/Hernia/Appendicitis/Obstruction/Change in Bowel Habits/Diarrhea/Bloating/Unexplained Weight Loss | CT Abdomen and Pelvis with Contrast | 74177 |
| | Renal Mass/Neuroendocrine Tumor/Renal Cell Carcinoma/Adrenal Mass/Pancreatitis/Liver Mass/Elevated LFT's | CT Abdomen & Pelvis w/o & with Contrast | 74178 |
| ABDOMEN & PELVIS Urogram | Hematuria | CT Abdomen & Pelvis w/o & with Contrast | 74178 |
| ABDOMEN & PELVIS Enterography *To evaluate small bowel | Crohn's Disease/IBS/Ulcerative Colitis | CT Abdomen & Pelvis w/ Contrast | 74177 |
| ABDOMEN & PELVIS Angiography | AAA/Evaluate Known Aneurysm/Pre or Post Stent Evaluation | CTA Abdomen and Pelvis | 74174 |
| ABDOMEN & PELVIS Venography | Venous Insufficiency/May-Thurner Syndrome/Pelvic Congestion | CTV Abdomen & Pelvis with & w/o Contrast | 74174 |
| LOWER LEG ANGIOGRAPHY & RUNOFF | Peripheral Artery Disease (PAD)/Claudication | CT Abdomen with Runoff | 75635 |
| | Leg Swelling & Pain/History of DVT | CT Venogram with Runoff | 75635 |
| SPINE | Pain/Trauma/Fracture/Arm or Leg Pain/Disc Disease | CT Cervical Spine w/o Contrast | 72125 |
| | | CT Thoracic Spine w/o Contrast | 72128 |
| | | CT Lumbar Spine w/o Contrast | 72121 |
| | *If MRI is contraindicated Post OP infection/Mass/Cancer/Abscess | CT Cervical with Contrast | 72126 |
| | | CT Thoracic Spine with Contrast | 72129 |
| | | CT Lumbar Spine with Contrast | 72132 |
| EXTREMITIES | Upper Extremity (Hand/Wrist/Elbow/Shoulder/Humerus) Pain/Arthritis/Fracture | CT Upper Extremity w/o Contrast | 73200 |
| | Lower Extremity (Hip/Femur/Knee/Tibula/Fibula/Ankle Foot) Pain/Arthritis/Fracture | CT Lower Extremity w/o Contrast | 73700 |
| | *If MRI is contraindicated Infection/Mass/Mets | CT Upper Extremity with Contrast | 73201 |
| | | CT Lower Extremity with Contrast | 73701 |

