

MRI CONTRAST ORDERING GUIDELINES

| BODY PART | REASON FOR EXAM | PROCEDURE NAME | CPT CODE |
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| BRAIN | Headaches/Injury | MRI Brain w/o Contrast | 70551 |
| | Headache/Migraine/Stroke/TIA/Seizures/Epilepsy/Multiple Sclerosis/Neurological Change/Trauma | MRI Brain w/o & with Contrast | 70553 |
| HEAD Vascular | Aneurysms/Stroke/Dizziness | MRA (Angiography) Head w/o & with Contrast | 70546 |
| NECK Vascular | Stroke/Aneurysm/Dissection | MRA Neck w/o & with Contrast | 70549 |
| NECK Soft Tissue | Mass/Infection/Tumor Evaluation | MRI Soft Tissue Neck w/o & with Contrast | 70543 |
| ABDOMEN <small>*Coverage is diaphragm to iliac crest only. Not to be ordered to evaluate colon.</small> | Known Liver Lesion, Renal/Adrenal Mass | MRI Abdomen w/o & with Contrast | 74183 |
| SOFT TISSUE PELVIS <small>*Coverage is from top of iliac crest through lesser trochanters</small> | Pelvis Mass/Female Anatomy | MRI Pelvis w/o and with Contrast | 72197 |
| PROSTATE <small>*Coverage prostate and bladder.</small> | Elevated PSA/Prostate Cancer | MRI Prostate w/o and with Contrast | 72197 |
| SPINE | Pain/Trauma/Radiculopathy | Cervical MRI w/o Contrast | 72141 |
| | | Thoracic MRI w/o Contrast | 72146 |
| | | Lumbar MRI w/o Contrast | 72148 |
| | | Sacrum/SI Joints MRI w/o Contrast | 72195 |
| | Pain (prior surgery)/Mass/Infection/F/U Post Surgery | Cervical MRI w/o and Contrast | 72156 |
| | | Thoracic MRI w/o and Contrast | 72157 |
| | | Lumbar MRI w/o and Contrast | 72158 |
| | | Sacrum/SI Joints MRI w/o and with Contrast | 72197 |
| BONY PELVIS <small>*Coverage is from top of iliac crest through lesser trochanters</small> | Bony Pelvic Pain/Hernia | MRI Pelvis w/o Contrast | 72195 |
| | Bony Metastasis/Mass/infection | MRI Pelvis w/o & with Contrast | 72197 |
| BREAST | Implant Integrity | MRI Breast w/o Contrast | 77047 |
| | Breast Cancer/High Risk/Dense Breast Tissue | MRI Breast w/o & with Contrast | 77049 |
| EXTREMITIES | Pain/Injury/Arthritis (Shoulder/Elbow/Wrist) | MRI Upper Extr. Joint w/o Contrast | 73221 |
| | Pain/Injury/Arthritis (Humerus/Forearm/Hand) | MRI Upper Extr. Non Joint w/o Contrast | 73218 |
| | Pain/Injury/Arthritis (Hip/Knee/Ankle) | MRI Lower Extr. Joint w/o Contrast | 73721 |
| | Pain/Injury/Arthritis (Femur/Tib/Fib/Foot) | MRI Lower Extr. Non Joint w/o Contrast | 73718 |



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| EXTREMITIES | Mass/Infection | MRI Upper Extr. Joint w/o & with Contrast | 73223 |
| | | MRI Upper Extr. Non Joint w/o & with Contrast | 73220 |
| | | MRI Lower Extr. Joint w/o & with Contrast | 73723 |
| | | MRI Lower Extr. Non Joint w/o & with Contrast | 73720 |
| | Joint or Labrum Injury/Cartilage Evaluation/Prior Surgery *(Add Fluoro Guided Needle Placement) | MRA (Arthrogram) Upper Extr. Joint with Contrast | 73222 |
| | | MRA (Arthrogram) Lower Extr. Joint with Contrast | 73722 |

