

CY 2023 Medicare Inpatient Only List: Changes for Anterior Abdominal Hernias

| Initial Hernia | Reducible | Incarcerated/ Strangulated |
|----------------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| <3 cm total | * | ** |
| 3-10 cm total | * | ** |
| > 10 cm total | * | IP Only |
| Parastomal | IP Only | IP Only |

| Recurrent Hernia | Reducible | Incarcerated/ Strangulated |
|------------------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| <3 cm total | * | ** |
| 3-10 cm total | * | IP Only |
| > 10 cm total | IP Only | IP Only |
| Parastomal | IP Only | IP Only |

* Comprehensive APC 5341
** Comprehensive APC 5361

Anterior abdominal hernias
Epigastric, incisional, ventral, umbilical,
spigelian
(Excludes inguinal, femoral, obturator, hiatal, paraesophageal)

Any approach
Open
Laparoscopic
With or without Robotic assistance

Removal of mesh
Removal of infected mesh from
abdominal wall continues to be an IP only
procedure (CPT 11008)

Removal of non-infected mesh is not IP only
(new CPT 49623)

Absorbable mesh
Implantation of absorbable mesh for
delayed closure of defects due to soft tissue
infection or trauma is also inpatient only
(new CPT 15778)

Absorbable mesh includes both biologic
and synthetic bioabsorbable mesh
(such as Strattice, FlexHD, BioA, TIGR)