

Setting of Sterile Tray

There have been a number of forensic issues regarding the billing for a sterile tray and here are the SAMA guidelines below regarding when a sterile tray can be billed.

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Setting of sterile tray: A fee of 10,00 clinical procedure units may be charged for the setting of a sterile tray where a sterile procedure is performed in the rooms. Cost of stitching material, if applicable, shall be charged for according to item 0201, as appropriate

- * This item is a blanket charge to put consumables together for sterile procedures or for pre-packed sterile trays used for sterile procedures.
- * Appropriate for wound dressing procedures for septic wounds.
- * Appropriate for deep skin biopsies by incision a suturing (item 0237)
- * Appropriate for suturing of wounds (item 0300 to 0304).
- * Appropriate for drainage of an abscess.
- * Appropriate for removal of lesions by curetting (e.g. items 0245-0246, 0251-0252).
- * Appropriate for insertion of catheter.
- * Appropriate for hormone implantation (item 2565, 3001).
- * Appropriate for Botulinum toxin injection (items 3174, 3175, 6005-6009).
- * Appropriate for excision of Meibomian cyst (item 3171).
- * Appropriate for bone marrow trephine biopsy (item 3720).
- * Not appropriate for routine check-up and examination during consultation.
- * Not appropriate for intravenous infusion.
- * Not appropriate for taking a Pap smear
- * Not appropriate during the post-operative care period: wound dressing, removal of stitches.
- * Not appropriate for sebaceous cyst removal without incisional procedure.
- * Not appropriate for procedures involving cauterisation only 9 (No suturing or curetting)
- * Not appropriate for removal of foreign body from nose or throat.
- * Not appropriate for cleaning of external ear canal.
- * Not appropriate for removal of corn or callous.
- * Not appropriate for taking of urine specimen in children.