

# CT CORONARY ANGIOGRAPHY MEDICARE CRITERIA

There has been a change to Medicare Criteria for CT of the Coronary Arteries (CTCA) from 1 July 2021 and further amendments are coming into affect from 1 November 2021.

Please take a moment to read through the new **item descriptions** for patient eligibility to access these new item numbers. This will enable us to efficiency process your imaging requests and help you to continue delivering excellent care to your patients.

These items are only claimable if they are requested by a specialist or consultant physician; **AND**

## 57360 EXCLUSION OF SIGNIFICANT CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE

For a patient who:

- ▷ has stable or acute symptoms consistent with coronary ischaemia; **AND**
- ▷ is at low to intermediate risk of an acute coronary event, including having no significant cardiac biomarker elevation and no electrocardiogram changes indicating acute ischaemia

Benefits are not payable for item **57360** more than once in a five year period following a service to which itself or **57364** applies that detected no obstructive coronary artery disease, unless the patient meets the eligibility criteria for selective coronary angiography (**items 38244, 38247, 38248 or 38249**).

## 57364 IMAGING OF THE CORONARY ARTERIES FOR OTHER INDICATIONS

At least one of the following apply to the patient:

- ▷ the patient has stable symptoms and **newly recognised left ventricular systolic dysfunction of unknown aetiology**;
- ▷ the patient requires exclusion of **coronary artery anomaly or fistula**;
- ▷ the patient will be undergoing **non coronary cardiac surgery**;
- ▷ the patient meets the criteria to be eligible for a service to which item 38247, 38249 or 38252 applies, but as an alternative to selective coronary angiography will require an **assessment of the patency of one or more bypass grafts**



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