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**Subject: 2020 Coding for Remote Interrogation Device Evaluation Codes** 

The American College of Cardiology (ACC) and Heart Rhythm Society (HRS) are aware of considerable confusion regarding the proper claim coding for interrogation device evaluations, which includes CPT 93297 and 93298 and HCPCS code G2066 (formerly CPT 93299) beginning January 1, 2020. The American Medical Association (AMA) released a coding clarification in its February 2020 update of the *CPT® Assistant* called Coding Correction: Reporting Cardiac Device Evaluation Services.

To properly code for an interrogation device evaluation service, the clinician(s) should utilize the appropriate professional code (CPT 93297 or 93298) and/or the complementary technical code (HCPCS G2066). Currently there is no single code that encompasses the global service.

If the clinician performs both the professional and technical components the two codes should be billed together. For example: 93297 and G2066 or 93298 and G2066. These all are separate device analysis codes.

Important note: Effective January 1, 2020, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) created a new contractor-priced HCPCS G2066 to replace the deleted CPT 93299 and required its Medicare Administrative Contractors to individually price the new code. Considering this new code is simply replacing CPT 93299, the ACC and HRS strongly encourages payers to value the new HCPCS G2066 at the 2019 rate of CPT 93299.

## **Code Descriptions**

<b>Professional Codes</b>	
93297	Interrogation device evaluation(s), (remote) up to 30 days; implantable cardiovascular physiologic monitor system, including analysis of 1 or more recorded physiologic cardiovascular data elements from all internal and external sensors, analysis, review(s) and report(s) by a physician or other qualified health care professional
93298	Interrogation device evaluation(s), (remote) up to 30 days; subcutaneous cardiac rhythm monitor system, including analysis of recorded heart rhythm data, analysis, review(s) and report(s) by a physician or other qualified health care professional
Technical Code	
G2066 (formerly 93299)	Interrogation device evaluation(s), (remote) up to 30 days; implantable cardiovascular physiologic monitor system, implantable loop recorder system, or subcutaneous cardiac rhythm monitor system, remote data acquisition(s), receipt of transmissions and technician review, technical support and distribution of results

## **Explanation of codes:**

93297 - is for an interrogation device evaluation of an implantable cardiovascular physiologic monitor system.

93298 - is for an interrogation device evaluation of a subcutaneous cardiac rhythm monitor system.

<u>G2066 (formerly 93299)</u> – is the technical component for both types of device interrogation evaluations.

Please note that 93297 cannot be billed with 93298 (see AMA CPT book for complete instructions).