

Fact Sheet: Coding for Graft Dislocations (66020 and 66250)

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CPT CODES	
66020	Injection, anterior chamber of eye (separate procedure); air or liquid
PROCEDURE	
The ophthalmologist injects air, liquid, or medication into the anterior chamber to balance the intraocular pressure in the eye.	
GLOBAL PERIOD	
10-day	
MODIFIERS	
-25	While medically necessary, if the established patient exam performed outside the 90-day DSEK global period, is done solely to confirm the need for the minor procedure, then the exam is not separately billable.
-78	Submit 66020 -78 -eye modifier when performed within the 90-day global period of DSEK. Continue the original 90-days of postop care. Do not add an additional 10-days of postoperative care.
PAYMENT	
There is a site-of-service payment differential between office and facility.	
ICD-10 LINKAGE	
T86.848	Other complications of corneal transplant and T86.841 Corneal transplant failure

If more complex manipulations are required as the graft will not re-center with air injection, submit CPT code 66250 for wound revision.

CPT CODES	
66250	Revision or repair of operative wound of anterior segment, any type, early or late, major or minor procedure
PROCEDURE	
The wound may be gaping with leakage of anterior chamber fluid. Revision or repair of anterior segment wounds is performed to restore normal eye pressure and minimize astigmatism.	
GLOBAL PERIOD	
90 day	
MODIFIERS	
-57	If an exam plus procedure is performed outside the DSEK global period, then append modifier -57 to the appropriate level of E/M or Eye visit code.
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