

Correction of trichiasis CPT 67820, CPT 67825	Original Effective Date:	01/22/2020
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Scope: Trichiasis is the inward turning/growing of the eyelashes. The eyelashes rub against the corneal surface and conjunctiva causing irritation and infection. When this persists, the eyelashes are removed by forceps or by surgery (electrolysis, cryosurgery, ablation, etc)

Clinical Indications:

- Correction of trichiasis is indicated when inward growing eyelashes cause ocular surface irritation, light sensitivity, and infection.
- Common conditions that cause of trichiasis:
 - Chronic blepharitis
 - Ocular trauma
 - Epiblepharon/congenital
 - Herpes zoster
 - Stevens-Johnson syndrome and cicatricial pemphigoid
 - Trachoma

Approval Process:

Non-clinical medical team approval authority for codes listed below:

CPT

67820 Correction of trichiasis; epilation, by forceps only
 67825 Correction of trichiasis; epilation, by other than forceps (eg, by electrotherapy, cryotherapy, laser surgery)

ICD - 10

H02.001- H02.009 Unspecified entropion of eyelid
 H02.011- H02.019 Cicatricial entropion of eyelid
 H02.021- H02.029 Mechanical entropion of eyelid
 H02.031- H02.039 Senile entropion of eyelid
 H02.041- H02.049 Spastic entropion of eyelid
 H02.051 – H02.059 Trichiasis without entropion

Medical necessity for conditions not listed above require medical director determination



Coverage: Benefit coverage is specific to the member’s benefit plan

Summary of Revisions:

Date	Revision

Reference:

2020 PMIC Ophthalmology Coding Guide – A comprehensive Guide to Procedure and Diagnostic Coding in Ophthalmology

2020 American Academy of Ophthalmology – Preferred Practice Guideline, Cornea/External Disease

2018 American Academy of Ophthalmology – Preferred Practice Guideline, Blepharitis

2018 American Academy of Ophthalmology – Preferred Practice Guideline, Conjunctivitis