

Obstetric Ultrasound

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Select Health of South Carolina reimbursement policies and their resulting edits are based on guidelines from established industry sources, such as the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), the American Medical Association (AMA), state and federal regulatory agencies, and medical specialty professional societies. Reimbursement policies are intended as a general reference and do not constitute a contract or other guarantee of payment. Select Health of South Carolina may use reasonable discretion in interpreting and applying its policies to services provided in a particular case and may modify its policies at any time.

In making claim payment determinations, the health plan also uses coding terminology and methodologies based on accepted industry standards, including Current Procedural Terminology (CPT); the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS); and the International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM), and other relevant sources. Other factors that may affect payment include medical record documentation, legislative or regulatory mandates, a provider's contract, a member's eligibility in receiving covered services, submission of clean claims, and other health plan policies, and other relevant factors. These factors may supplement, modify, or in some cases supersede reimbursement policies.

This reimbursement policy applies to all health care services billed on a CMS-1500 form or its electronic equivalent, or when billed on a UB-04 form or its electronic equivalent.

To the extent that any procedure and/or diagnosis codes are specified in this policy, such inclusion is provided for reference purposes only, may not be all inclusive, and is not intended to serve as billing instructions. Listing of a code in this policy does not imply that the service described by the code is a covered or non-covered health service. Benefit coverage for health services is determined by federal, state, or contractual requirements and applicable laws that may require coverage for a specific service. The inclusion of a code does not imply any right to reimbursement or guarantee claim payment. Other Policies and Guidelines may apply.

Policy Overview

This policy describes reimbursement limitations for obstetric ultrasounds in processing all claims submitted to Select Health of South Carolina.

Consistent with guidelines from the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG), the American College of Radiology (ACR), the American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine (AIUM), the Society for Maternal Fetal Medicine (SMFM) and the Society of Radiologists in Ultrasound (SRU), Select Health of South Carolina follows standard indications for reimbursement of obstetric ultrasounds:

- Select Health of South Carolina reimburses up to three obstetric ultrasounds performed in an outpatient setting for pregnancies.

- Obstetric ultrasounds performed in emergency or inpatient settings, Maternal Fetal Medicine specialty providers, and/or ultrasounds that are performed during a high-risk pregnancy are not subject to this limit.
- One of these may be an ultrasound with detailed fetal anatomic examination for a primary evaluation of fetal anatomic abnormalities, including those due to genetic conditions, and/or evaluation of amniotic band syndrome.
- Subsequent obstetric ultrasounds during the same pregnancy will not be reimbursed without prior authorization.
- Obstetric ultrasound for the purpose of determining fetal sex or for production of photographic memory keepsakes will not be reimbursed.
- Three-dimensional (3-D) or four-dimensional (4-D) obstetric ultrasounds will not be reimbursed.

Exceptions

N/A

Reimbursement Guidelines

Select Health of South Carolina utilizes edits to reinforce the above-mentioned payment limitations on obstetric ultrasounds.

For accurate reimbursement, claims must have:

- A valid procedure code from the CPT/HCPCS code set, effective for the Date of Service (DOS), that accurately describes the obstetric ultrasound performed. All CPT coding guidelines are applicable.
- A valid Place of Service (POS) code that accurately describes the setting in which the obstetric ultrasound was performed. Claims for obstetric ultrasound will not be recognized as performed within the emergency or inpatient setting without POS 23 or 21.
- A valid diagnosis code(s) from ICD-10-CM Chapter 15: Pregnancy, Childbirth, and the Puerperium that describe(s) the patient's pregnancy. Claims for obstetric ultrasound without a valid pregnancy diagnosis code will be denied. All ICD-10-CM coding guidelines effective for the DOS are applicable. Because obstetric ultrasounds are performed for different conditions within specific trimesters, pregnancy diagnosis codes without a specified trimester are considered not valid.
 - Claims for obstetric ultrasound will not be recognized as performed for high-risk pregnancy without a valid high-risk pregnancy diagnosis code. Refer to the attached list of ICD-10-CM high-risk pregnancy diagnosis codes, effective for DOS from October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025.

Refer to CPT/HCPS manuals for complete descriptions of procedure codes and their modifiers, and to the ICD-10-CM manual for complete descriptions and guidelines of diagnosis codes.

Definitions

N/A

Edit Sources

- I. Guidelines from the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG), the American College of Radiology (ACR), the American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine (AIUM), the Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine (SMFM), and the Society of Radiologists in Ultrasound (SRU).
- II. Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) and associated publications and services.
- III. Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS).
- IV. International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM).
- V. Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Place of Service Codes, <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/place-of-service-codes>

Attachments

See Appendix A

Associated Policies

N/A

Policy History

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Appendix A

2025 High-Risk Pregnancy Diagnosis Codes (Eff. 10/1/2024 - 9/30/2025)

O0001	O09812	O1423	O24913	O29192	O30103	O3101X0
O00111	O09813	O1492	O2621	O29193	O30111	O3101X1
O00112	O09821	O1493	O2622	O29211	O30112	O3101X2
O00119	O09822	O1502	O2623	O29212	O30113	O3101X3
O00211	O09823	O1503	O2631	O29213	O30121	O3101X4
O00212	O09891	O161	O2632	O29291	O30122	O3101X5
O00219	O09892	O162	O2633	O29292	O30123	O3101X9
O0081	O09893	O163	O2641	O29293	O30131	O3102X0
O0091	O0991	O200	O2642	O293X1	O30132	O3102X1
O0901	O0992	O208	O2643	O293X2	O30133	O3102X2
O0902	O0993	O209	O26611	O293X3	O30191	O3102X3
O0903	O10011	O211	O26612	O2941	O30192	O3102X4
O0911	O10012	O218	O26613	O2942	O30193	O3102X5
O0912	O10013	O2231	O26641	O2943	O30201	O3102X9
O0913	O10111	O2232	O26642	O295X1	O30202	O3103X0
O09A1	O10112	O2233	O26643	O295X2	O30203	O3103X1
O09A2	O10113	O2251	O26649	O295X3	O30211	O3103X2
O09A3	O10211	O2252	O26831	O2961	O30212	O3103X3
O09211	O10212	O2253	O26832	O2962	O30213	O3103X4
O09212	O10213	O228X1	O26833	O2963	O30221	O3103X5
O09213	O10311	O228X2	O26843	O298X1	O30222	O3103X9
O09291	O10312	O228X3	O26851	O298X2	O30223	O3111X0
O09292	O10313	O2291	O26852	O298X3	O30231	O3111X1
O09293	O10411	O2292	O26853	O2991	O30232	O3111X2
O0931	O10412	O2293	O26872	O2992	O30233	O3111X3
O0932	O10413	O2301	O26873	O2993	O30291	O3111X4
O0933	O10911	O2302	O283	O30001	O30292	O3111X5
O0941	O10912	O2303	O285	O30002	O30293	O3111X9
O0942	O10913	O24011	O288	O30003	O30801	O3112X0
O0943	O111	O24012	O289	O30011	O30802	O3112X1
O09511	O112	O24013	O29011	O30012	O30803	O3112X2
O09512	O113	O24111	O29012	O30013	O30811	O3112X3
O09513	O1201	O24112	O29013	O30021	O30812	O3112X4
O09521	O1202	O24113	O29021	O30022	O30813	O3112X5
O09522	O1203	O24311	O29022	O30023	O30821	O3112X9
O09523	O1221	O24312	O29023	O30031	O30822	O3113X0
O09611	O1222	O24313	O29091	O30032	O30823	O3113X1
O09612	O1223	O24410	O29092	O30033	O30831	O3113X2
O09613	O131	O24414	O29093	O30041	O30832	O3113X3
O09621	O132	O24415	O29111	O30042	O30833	O3113X4

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O09622	O133	O24419	O29112	O30043	O30891	O3113X5
O09623	O1402	O24811	O29113	O30091	O30892	O3113X9
O0971	O1403	O24812	O29121	O30092	O30893	O3121X0
O0972	O1412	O24813	O29122	O30093	O3091	O3121X1
O0973	O1413	O24911	O29123	O30101	O3092	O3121X2
O09811	O1422	O24912	O29191	O30102	O3093	O3121X3
O3121X4	O318X22	O3502X1	O3508X9	O3515X4	O35FXX2	O356XX0
O3121X5	O318X23	O3502X2	O3509X0	O3515X5	O35FXX3	O356XX1
O3121X9	O318X24	O3502X3	O3509X1	O3515X9	O35FXX4	O356XX2
O3122X0	O318X25	O3502X4	O3509X2	O3519X0	O35FXX5	O356XX3
O3122X1	O318X29	O3502X5	O3509X3	O3519X1	O35FXX9	O356XX4
O3122X2	O318X30	O3502X9	O3509X4	O3519X2	O35GXX0	O356XX5
O3122X3	O318X31	O3503X0	O3509X5	O3519X3	O35GXX1	O356XX9
O3122X4	O318X32	O3503X1	O3509X9	O3519X4	O35GXX2	O357XX0
O3122X5	O318X33	O3503X2	O3510X0	O3519X5	O35GXX3	O357XX1
O3122X9	O318X34	O3503X3	O3510X1	O3519X9	O35GXX4	O357XX2
O3123X0	O318X35	O3503X4	O3510X2	O35AXX0	O35GXX5	O357XX3
O3123X1	O318X39	O3503X5	O3510X3	O35AXX1	O35GXX9	O357XX4
O3123X2	O336XX0	O3503X9	O3510X4	O35AXX2	O35HXX0	O357XX5
O3123X3	O336XX1	O3504X0	O3510X5	O35AXX3	O35HXX1	O357XX9
O3123X4	O336XX2	O3504X1	O3510X9	O35AXX4	O35HXX2	O358XX0
O3123X5	O336XX3	O3504X2	O3511X0	O35AXX5	O35HXX3	O358XX1
O3123X9	O336XX4	O3504X3	O3511X1	O35AXX9	O35HXX4	O358XX2
O3131X0	O336XX5	O3504X4	O3511X2	O35BXX0	O35HXX5	O358XX3
O3131X1	O336XX9	O3504X5	O3511X3	O35BXX1	O35HXX9	O358XX4
O3131X2	O337XX0	O3504X9	O3511X4	O35BXX2	O352XX0	O358XX5
O3131X3	O337XX1	O3505X0	O3511X5	O35BXX3	O352XX1	O358XX9
O3131X4	O337XX2	O3505X1	O3511X9	O35BXX4	O352XX2	O359XX0
O3131X5	O337XX3	O3505X2	O3512X0	O35BXX5	O352XX3	O359XX1
O3131X9	O337XX4	O3505X3	O3512X1	O35BXX9	O352XX4	O359XX2
O3132X0	O337XX5	O3505X4	O3512X2	O35CXX0	O352XX5	O359XX3
O3132X1	O337XX9	O3505X5	O3512X3	O35CXX1	O352XX9	O359XX4
O3132X2	O3401	O3505X9	O3512X4	O35CXX2	O353XX0	O359XX5
O3132X3	O3402	O3506X0	O3512X5	O35CXX3	O353XX1	O359XX9
O3132X4	O3403	O3506X1	O3512X9	O35CXX4	O353XX2	O360110
O3132X5	O3431	O3506X2	O3513X0	O35CXX5	O353XX3	O360111
O3132X9	O3432	O3506X3	O3513X1	O35CXX9	O353XX4	O360112
O3133X0	O3433	O3506X4	O3513X2	O35DXX0	O353XX5	O360113
O3133X1	O3500X0	O3506X5	O3513X3	O35DXX1	O353XX9	O360114
O3133X2	O3500X1	O3506X9	O3513X4	O35DXX2	O354XX0	O360115
O3133X3	O3500X2	O3507X0	O3513X5	O35DXX3	O354XX1	O360119

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O3133X4	O3500X3	O3507X1	O3513X9	O35DXX4	O354XX2	O360120
O3133X5	O3500X4	O3507X2	O3514X0	O35DXX5	O354XX3	O360121
O3133X9	O3500X5	O3507X3	O3514X1	O35DXX9	O354XX4	O360122
O318X10	O3500X9	O3507X4	O3514X2	O35EXX0	O354XX5	O360123
O318X11	O3501X0	O3507X5	O3514X3	O35EXX1	O354XX9	O360124
O318X12	O3501X1	O3507X9	O3514X4	O35EXX2	O355XX0	O360125
O318X13	O3501X2	O3508X0	O3514X5	O35EXX3	O355XX1	O360129
O318X14	O3501X3	O3508X1	O3514X9	O35EXX4	O355XX2	O360130
O318X15	O3501X4	O3508X2	O3515X0	O35EXX5	O355XX3	O360131
O318X19	O3501X5	O3508X3	O3515X1	O35EXX9	O355XX4	O360132
O318X20	O3501X9	O3508X4	O3515X2	O35FXX0	O355XX5	O360133
O318X21	O3502X0	O3508X5	O3515X3	O35FXX1	O355XX9	O360134
O360135	O361913	O365111	O3661X9	O368124	O368332	O401XX0
O360139	O361914	O365112	O3662X0	O368125	O368333	O401XX1
O360910	O361915	O365113	O3662X1	O368129	O368334	O401XX2
O360911	O361919	O365114	O3662X2	O368130	O368335	O401XX3
O360912	O361920	O365115	O3662X3	O368131	O368339	O401XX4
O360913	O361921	O365119	O3662X4	O368132	O368910	O401XX5
O360914	O361922	O365120	O3662X5	O368133	O368911	O401XX9
O360915	O361923	O365121	O3662X9	O368134	O368912	O402XX0
O360919	O361924	O365122	O3663X0	O368135	O368913	O402XX1
O360920	O361925	O365123	O3663X1	O368139	O368914	O402XX2
O360921	O361929	O365124	O3663X2	O368210	O368915	O402XX3
O360922	O361930	O365125	O3663X3	O368211	O368919	O402XX4
O360923	O361931	O365129	O3663X4	O368212	O368920	O402XX5
O360924	O361932	O365130	O3663X5	O368213	O368921	O402XX9
O360925	O361933	O365131	O3663X9	O368214	O368922	O403XX0
O360929	O361934	O365132	O3671X0	O368215	O368923	O403XX1
O360930	O361935	O365133	O3671X1	O368219	O368924	O403XX2
O360931	O361939	O365134	O3671X2	O368220	O368925	O403XX3
O360932	O3621X0	O365135	O3671X3	O368221	O368929	O403XX4
O360933	O3621X1	O365139	O3671X4	O368222	O368930	O403XX5
O360934	O3621X2	O365910	O3671X5	O368223	O368931	O403XX9
O360935	O3621X3	O365911	O3671X9	O368224	O368932	O4101X0
O360939	O3621X4	O365912	O3672X0	O368225	O368933	O4101X1
O361110	O3621X5	O365913	O3672X1	O368229	O368934	O4101X2
O361111	O3621X9	O365914	O3672X2	O368230	O368935	O4101X3
O361112	O3622X0	O365915	O3672X3	O368231	O368939	O4101X4
O361113	O3622X1	O365919	O3672X4	O368232	O3691X0	O4101X5
O361114	O3622X2	O365920	O3672X5	O368233	O3691X1	O4101X9
O361115	O3622X3	O365921	O3672X9	O368234	O3691X2	O4102X0
O361119	O3622X4	O365922	O3673X0	O368235	O3691X3	O4102X1

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O361120	O3622X5	O365923	O3673X1	O368239	O3691X4	O4102X2
O361121	O3622X9	O365924	O3673X2	O368310	O3691X5	O4102X3
O361122	O3623X0	O365925	O3673X3	O368311	O3691X9	O4102X4
O361123	O3623X1	O365929	O3673X4	O368312	O3692X0	O4102X5
O361124	O3623X2	O365930	O3673X5	O368313	O3692X1	O4102X9
O361125	O3623X3	O365931	O3673X9	O368314	O3692X2	O4103X0
O361129	O3623X4	O365932	O3680X0	O368315	O3692X3	O4103X1
O361130	O3623X5	O365933	O3680X1	O368319	O3692X4	O4103X2
O361131	O3623X9	O365934	O3680X2	O368320	O3692X5	O4103X3
O361132	O364XX0	O365935	O3680X3	O368321	O3692X9	O4103X4
O361133	O364XX1	O365939	O3680X4	O368322	O3693X0	O4103X5
O361134	O364XX2	O3661X0	O3680X5	O368323	O3693X1	O4103X9
O361135	O364XX3	O3661X1	O3680X9	O368324	O3693X2	O411010
O361139	O364XX4	O3661X2	O368120	O368325	O3693X3	O411011
O361910	O364XX5	O3661X3	O368121	O368329	O3693X4	O411012
O361911	O364XX9	O3661X4	O368122	O368330	O3693X5	O411013
O361912	O365110	O3661X5	O368123	O368331	O3693X9	O411014
O411015	O411423	O4193X1	O43893	O46022	O99013	O9A211

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