

PHYSICIAN QUICK GUIDE FOR

CTAK Reimbursement

Procedure Overview

Corneal Tissue Addition Keratoplasty (CTAK) is the latest advancement in keratoconus treatment, offering enhanced accuracy and precision for both patients and surgeons. This innovative procedure utilizes a CTAK inlay designed to optimize corneal flattening, improve visual acuity, and increase corneal thickness. Unlike full-thickness corneal transplantation, CTAK preserves native corneal tissue by implanting a customized, gamma-irradiated corneal inlay into a laser-created corneal pocket.

Key Billing & Reimbursement Insights

Billing Codes

CPT 65710: Surgical procedure for anterior lamellar keratoplasty

HCPCS V2785: Covers corneal tissue processing & transport

Medicare Reimbursement by Setting

Hospital Outpatient Department (HOPD) – Covered under Ambulatory Payment Classification (APC), with separate reimbursement for corneal tissue (V2785).

Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) – Reimbursed under ASC payment system, with separate corneal tissue payment (V2785).

Physician's Office – Typically not covered for facility fees under Medicare; requires payer-specific approval.

Commercial Payers

- Coverage varies, and prior authorization is often required.
- Some payers bundle corneal tissue reimbursement into procedural costs.
- Important to verify payer-specific policies.

Laser Click Fees

- Commercial payer verification of coverage required.

Common Questions & Answers

- **Is CTAK reimbursed by Medicare?**

Yes, Medicare covers CTAK when medically necessary. Tissue (V2785) is reimbursed separately with an invoice. Coverage varies based on the setting (HOPD, ASC, Physician's Office).

- **Do commercial insurers cover CTAK?**

It depends on the insurer. Some require prior authorization, and others bundle corneal tissue costs. Always check the specific policy.

- **Can facilities bill separately for laser click fees?**

Generally, no. However, some commercial payers allow separate billing if medical necessity is documented.

- **Where can I find more details on reimbursement and documentation?**

We have an *Administrator Guide for CTAK Reimbursement* and an extensive library of pre-authorization and appeal documents available for use to assist you with your insurance payer discussions.



Scan or visit CorneaGen.com/reimbursement/CTAK to access all reimbursement resources.

Disclaimer:

All customers be aware that coverage and reimbursement can change and private payer policies can be different from Medicare depending on a provider's contract. Contact payers directly for reimbursement information and instructions.