

CPT Code: 29828

Arthroscopy,
shoulder, surgical;
biceps tenodesis

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AAOS Advice: Do not report 29828 in conjunction with 29805, 29820, and 29822. For open biceps tenodesis, use code 23430.

Complete Global Service Data for Orthopaedic Surgery

Services **included** in the global service package:

1. local infiltration of medication(s), anesthetic, or contrast agent before, during, or at the conclusion of the operation
2. suture or staple removal by operating surgeon or designee
3. surgical approach, with necessary identification, isolation, and protection of anatomic structures, including hemostasis and minor skin scar revision
4. obtaining wound specimen(s) for culture
5. wound irrigation
6. intraoperative photo(s) and/or video recording, excluding ionizing radiation
7. intraoperative supervision and positioning of imaging and/or monitoring equipment by operating surgeon or assistant(s)
8. insertion, placement, and removal of surgical drain(s), re-infusion device(s), irrigation tube(s), or catheter(s)
9. closure of wound and repair of tissues divided for initial surgical exposure, partial or complete
10. application of initial dressing, orthosis, continuous passive motion, splint, or cast, including traction, except where specifically excluded from global package
11. preparation and insertion of synthetic bone substitutes, osteoconductive and osteoinductive agents (eg, hydroxyapatite, calcium phosphates, coral, methylmethacrylate, demineralized bone matrix, bone morphogenetic proteins), except where specifically excluded
12. synovial resection for visualization
13. partial synovectomy (eg, 29820)

Services **not included** in the global service package:

1. supplies and medication (eg, code 99070, HCPCS Level II codes)
2. insertion, removal, or exchange of drug delivery implant(s) (eg, 20700-20705)
3. arthroscopic repair of rotator cuff (eg, 29827)
4. arthroscopic subacromial decompression (eg, 29826)
5. arthroscopic lysis and resection of adhesions (eg, 29825)
6. arthroscopic resection of distal clavicle (eg, 29824)
7. extensive arthroscopic debridement (eg, 29822, 29823)
8. arthroscopic removal of loose or foreign bodies greater than 5 mm or through a separate incision (eg, 29819)
9. conscious sedation, regional block(s), Bier block(s)
10. capsulorrhaphy (eg, 29806)
11. repair of SLAP lesion (eg, 29807)

Medicare global fee period: 90 days

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