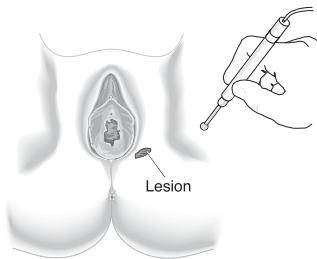


56501-56515

- 56501** Destruction of lesion(s), vulva; simple (eg, laser surgery, electrosurgery, cryosurgery, chemosurgery)
- 56515** extensive (eg, laser surgery, electrosurgery, cryosurgery, chemosurgery)

The physician may use laser, fulguration, or cryosurgery to destroy the lesion



Report 56501 for simple or single lesions or 56515 for multiple or complicated lesions

Explanation

The vulva includes the labia majora, labia minora, mons pubis, bulb of the vestibule, vestibule of the vagina, greater and lesser vestibular glands, and vaginal orifice. The physician destroys one or more lesions of the vulva. After examining the lower genital tract and perianal area with a colposcope, the physician destroys any lesions of the vulva by any method including laser surgery, electrosurgery, chemosurgery, or cryosurgery. Use 56501 to report single, simple lesion destruction, or 56515 to report multiple or complicated destruction of extensive vulvar lesions.

Coding Tips

For removal or destruction by electric current (fulguration) of Skene's glands, see 53270. For destruction of vaginal lesions, see 57061-57065. For lysis of labial adhesions, see 56441.

ICD-9-CM Procedural

- 71.3 Other local excision or destruction of vulva and perineum

Anesthesia

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ICD-9-CM Diagnostic

- 054.11 Herpetic vulvovaginitis
 054.12 Herpetic ulceration of vulva
 078.11 Condyloma acuminatum
 078.19 Other specified viral warts
 184.4 Malignant neoplasm of vulva, unspecified site
 198.82 Secondary malignant neoplasm of genital organs
 221.2 Benign neoplasm of vulva
 228.01 Hemangioma of skin and subcutaneous tissue
 233.30 Carcinoma in situ, unspecified female genital organ
 233.31 Carcinoma in situ, vagina
 233.32 Carcinoma in situ, vulva
 233.39 Carcinoma in situ, other female genital organ
 236.3 Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of other and unspecified female genital organs
 239.5 Neoplasm of unspecified nature of other genitourinary organs
 456.6 Vulval varices
 616.81 Mucositis (ulcerative) of cervix, vagina, and vulva — (Use additional code to identify organism: 041.0, 041.1. Use additional E code to identify adverse effects of therapy: E879.2, E930.7, E933.1)
 616.89 Other inflammatory disease of cervix, vagina and vulva — (Use additional code to identify organism: 041.0, 041.1)
 624.01 Vulvar intraepithelial neoplasia I [VIN I]
 624.02 Vulvar intraepithelial neoplasia II [VIN II]
 624.09 Other dystrophy of vulva
 624.6 Polyp of labia and vulva
 624.8 Other specified noninflammatory disorder of vulva and perineum
 625.8 Other specified symptom associated with female genital organs
 698.1 Pruritus of genital organs
 701.0 Circumscribed scleroderma
 701.5 Other abnormal granulation tissue
 709.9 Unspecified disorder of skin and subcutaneous tissue
 752.49 Other congenital anomaly of cervix, vagina, and external female genitalia

Terms To Know

carcinoma in situ. Malignancy that arises from the cells of the vessel, gland, or organ of origin that remains confined to that site or has not invaded neighboring tissue.

condyloma. Infectious tumor-like growth caused by the human papilloma virus, with a branching connective tissue core and epithelial covering that occurs on the skin and mucous membranes of the perianal region and external genitalia.

cryosurgery. Application of intense cold, usually produced using liquid nitrogen, to locally freeze diseased or unwanted tissue and induce tissue necrosis without causing harm to adjacent tissue.

electrocautery. Division or cutting of tissue using high-frequency electrical current to produce heat, which destroys cells.

laser surgery. Use of concentrated, sharply defined light beams to cut, cauterize, coagulate, seal, or vaporize tissue.

varices. Enlarged, dilated, or twisted, turning veins.

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Also not with 56501: 55815♦, 56441♦

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Note: These CCI edits are used for Medicare. Other payers may reimburse on codes listed above.

Medicare Edits

	Fac RVU	Non-Fac RVU	FUD	Assist
56501	3.39	3.87	10	N/A
56515	5.89	6.63	10	N/A

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