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## LOWER EXTREMITY REVASCULARIZATION (LER) Physician Coding Resource

### LOWER EXTREMITY IS SEGMENTED INTO 4 DISTINCT TERRITORIES<sup>1</sup>

#### Iliac territory

- Divided into **3 vessels**: common iliac, internal iliac, and external iliac arteries

#### Femoral/popliteal territory

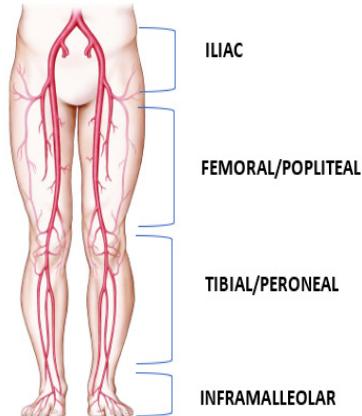
- Divided into **2 vessels**: common femoral/profunda femoris, superficial femoral/popliteal arteries

#### Tibial/peroneal territory

- Divided into **3 vessels**: anterior tibial, posterior tibial, and peroneal arteries

#### Inframalleolar territory

- Divided into **2 vessels**: dorsalis pedis and plantar arteries



### CPT<sup>®</sup> CODES 37254 – 37299 and 0238T

These codes describe lower extremity revascularization procedures performed either percutaneously and/or through open surgery.<sup>1</sup> The CPT<sup>®</sup> codes are distinguished between straightforward lesion (stenosis) and complex lesion (occlusion).

#### The following services are bundled into CPT<sup>®</sup> codes 37254 - 37299:

- Accessing and selectively catheterizing the vessels
- Crossing the lesions
- Radiological supervision and interpretation
- Embolic protection if used
- Closure of arterial puncture site (either by pressure, closure device, or by suture)

#### Intravascular lithotripsy (IVL) CPT<sup>®</sup> codes (+37262 and +37279) are separately billable as add-on codes:

- Add-on codes must be billed with primary procedure codes (angioplasty, stenting, atherectomy)
- Up to 3 IVL add-on codes can be reported in the iliac territory since there are 3 vessels that can be treated
- Up to 2 IVL add-on codes can be reported in the femoral/popliteal territory since there are 2 vessels that can be treated
- There are no IVL CPT<sup>®</sup> codes in the tibial/peroneal and inframalleolar territories

The following services in the table below are separately reportable in addition to CPT<sup>®</sup> codes 37254 – 37299. This list of codes is not all-inclusive. Please refer to the CPT<sup>®</sup> coding guideline for a complete list of separately reportable procedures.

CPT <sup>®</sup> CODES	DESCRIPTION
37211	Thrombolysis
37184, +37185, +37186	Arterial thrombectomy
37242, 37244	Embolization
35226, 35286	Extensive repair or replacement of the artery
+37252, +37253	Intravascular ultrasound, non-coronary vessels
75710, 75716	Diagnostic angiography
76937	Ultrasound guidance for vascular access

The following CPT® codes are applicable to lower extremity revascularization procedures effective January 1, 2026<sup>1</sup>

LER CPT® CODE STRUCTURE	STRAIGHTFORWARD LESION INITIAL VESSEL	STRAIGHTFORWARD LESION ADDITIONAL VESSEL	COMPLEX LESION INITIAL VESSEL	COMPLEX LESION ADDITIONAL VESSEL	INTRAVASCULAR LIHOTRIPSY (IVL)
<b>ILIAC TERRITORY:</b> Divided into <b>3 Vessels</b> : common iliac, internal iliac, external iliac arteries. Maximum of one initial and two additional codes in iliac territory. Up to 3 IVL add-on codes are reportable.					
Angioplasty	37254	+37255	37256	+37257	
Stent	37258	+37259	37260	+37261	
Atherectomy (orbital)	0238T	0238T	0238T	0238T	
IVL					+37262
<b>FEMORAL/POPLITEAL TERRITORY:</b> Divided into <b>2 Vessels</b> : common femoral/profunda femoris and superficial femoral/popliteal arteries. Maximum of one initial and one additional code in femoral/popliteal territory. Up to 2 IVL add-on codes are reportable.					
Angioplasty	37263	+37264	37265	+37266	
Stent	37267	+37268	37269	+37270	
Atherectomy	37271	+37272	37273	+37274	
Stent + atherectomy	37275	+37276	37277	+37278	
IVL					+37279
<b>TIBIAL/PERONEAL TERRITORY:</b> Divided into <b>3 Vessels</b> : anterior tibial, posterior tibial, and peroneal arteries. Maximum of one initial and two additional codes in tibial/peroneal territory. No IVL add-on code in this territory.					
Angioplasty	37280	+37281	37282	+37283	
Stent	37284	+37285	37286	+37287	
Atherectomy	37288	+37289	37290	+37291	
Stent + atherectomy	37292	+37293	37294	+37295	
<b>INFRAMALLEOLAR TERRITORY:</b> Divided into <b>2 Vessels</b> : dorsalis pedis and the plantar (medial plantar, lateral plantar) arteries. Maximum of one initial and one additional code in inframalleolar territory. No IVL add-on code in this territory.					
Angioplasty	37296	+37297	37298	+37299	

(+) = Indicates add-on code. List add-on code separately in addition to code for primary procedure

#### Reference

<sup>1</sup>2025 American Medical Association. <https://www.ama-assn.org/>

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