

Your Guide to New Category I CPT Coding and Descriptors

New Category I CPT Coding and Descriptors take effect from January 1, 2026

CPT Code	Range	Summary of use
97007	Scalp cooling, mechanical; initial measurement and calibration of cap.	Report 97007 once per chemotherapy treatment period. Do not report 97007 for each chemotherapy session.
97008	Mechanical scalp cooling; including hair preparation, individual cap placement, therapy initiation, and precooling period.	Report 97008 once per chemotherapy session.
97009	Provided after discontinuation of chemotherapy, each 30 minutes; list separately in addition to code for primary procedure.	Use 97009 in conjunction with 97008. Do not report 97009 for scalp cooling of less than 16 minutes.

Differences from Category III CPT Codes

Category III (expiring 12/31/2025)	Category I (effective 1/1/26)	Change
0662T - Initial measurement & cap calibration	97007 - Initial measurement & cap calibration	No change
0663T - Placement, monitoring use, and removal of the device	N/A	No direct replacement – you will not be billing for cooling during chemotherapy
N/A	97008 - hair preparation, individual cap placement, therapy initiation, and pre-infusion cooling period	For PRE -infusion cooling, once per chemotherapy session
N/A	97009 - post-infusion cooling, per 30 mins	For POST -infusion cooling in conjunction with 97008.

Important Requirements



Machine-based scalp cooling is used to reduce chemotherapy-induced alopecia (CIA).



Must be an FDA-defined medical device, used in-office/facility, ordered and performed by trained staff under physician/QHP supervision. Not intended for home use.

97007

Report once per chemotherapy treatment period

97008

Report once per chemotherapy sessions

97009

Report for post-infusion cooling



Codes 97007, 97008, 97009 are not reported if the scalp-cooling device is ordered by a physician or other QHP but self-administered by the patient during chemotherapy administration.