# Etex® Bone Substitute Materials Coding Reference Guide

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## EquivaBone® BGS, βBeta-BSM® Injectable, ᵞGamma-BSM® Moldable Putty

EquivaBone Bone Graft Substitute combines the osteoinductivity of demineralized bone matrix with the osteoconductivity, moldability, structure and hard-setting characteristics of Etex's proprietary nanocrystalline calcium phosphate technology.

Etex addresses the need for high strength materials delivered in minimally invasive procedures with βBeta-BSM® Injectable. Etex addresses the need for high strength materials delivered in minimally invasive procedures with βBeta-BSM® Injectable.

Etex's ᵞGamma-BSM® Moldable Putty meets the need for hard setting, high compressive strength materials that are implantable in a wet environment. ᵞGamma-BSM® Moldable Putty is engineered using proprietary nanocrystalline calcium phosphate technology and undergoes cell-mediated remodeling.

| **Physician** | |
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| **CPT® Code** | **Description** |
| **N/A** | Under CPT coding guidelines, bone void fillers such as the ones listed above are considered an inherent part of the primary procedure and are not separately reported. Therefore, no specific or unlisted CPT code should be reported for its use. |

| **Hospital Inpatient: ICD-10-PCS Procedure Code and Description** | | | |
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| *In spine surgery, bone void fillers are represented as a Synthetic Substitute (J) in the character 6 "Device" position* | | | |
| *If a bone void filler is used in a procedure that does not have Synthetic Substitute as an option for the device character, report the following ICD-10-PCS code:* | | | |
| **3** Administration<br>**E** Physiological Systems and Anatomical Regions<br>**Ø** Introduction | | | |
| **Body Part** | **Approach** | **Device** | **Qualifier** |
| **V** Bones | **3** Percutaneous | **G** Other Therapeutic Substance | **C** Other Substance |

| **Hospital Inpatient: Medicare Severity-Diagnosis Related Group (MS-DRG)*** | |
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| **MS-DRG** | **Description** |
| The ICD-10-PCS code(s) listed does/do not determine MS-DRG assignment. Instead, the MS-DRG will be assigned based upon the patient's diagnosis(es) and the procedure(s) performed. | |

| **Hospital Outpatient and Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC)** | | | | |
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| **CPT® Code** | **Description** | **OPPS Status Indicator** | **Ambulatory Payment Classification** | **ASC Payment Indicator** |
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| **HCPCS (Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System)** | |
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| **Code** | **HCPCS Description** |
| **C1713** | Anchor/screw for opposing bone-to-bone or soft tissue-to-bone (implantable) |

Note: C-codes report devices used in conjunction with outpatient procedures billed and paid for under Medicare's Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS).

**Coding Guidance**

Anchor for opposing bone-to-bone or soft tissue-to-bone (C1713) - Implantable pins and/or screws that are used to oppose soft tissue-to-bone, tendon-to-bone, or bone-to-bone. Screws oppose tissues via drilling as follows: soft tissue-to-bone, tendon-to-bone, or bone-to-bone fixation. Pins are inserted or drilled into bone, principally with the intent to facilitate stabilization or oppose bone-to-bone. This may include orthopedic plates with accompanying washers and nuts. This category also applies to synthetic bone substitutes that may be used to fill bony void or gaps (i.e., bone substitute implanted into a bony defect created from trauma or surgery). http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/HospitalOutpatientPPS/Downloads/Complet-list-DeviceCats-OPPS.pdf

**For further assistance with coding and reimbursement questions, contact the Zimmer Biomet Reimbursement Hotline at 866-946-0444 or reimbursement@zimmerbiomet.com, or visit our reimbursement website at zimmerbiomet.com/reimbursement**





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