

## Contrast vs. No Contrast Reference Sheet – Head/Neck

Body Part	Reason for Exam	Procedure to Pre-Cert	CPT Code
<b>Brain</b>	Alzheimer's/Confusion/Dementia Headache/Migraine Memory Loss Mental Status Changes Seizures Stroke, CVA, TIA Trauma	MRI Brain without Contrast	70551
<b>Brain</b>	Cranial Nerve Lesions F/U Lesion/Mass IAC/Hearing Loss/Tinnitus/Vertigo Infection Metastatic Disease Multiple Sclerosis Neurofibromatosis Pituitary	MRI Brain without and with Contrast	70553
<b>Brain</b>	Fiducials Gamma Knife Planning	MRI Brain with Contrast	70552
<b>Circle of Willis (COW)</b>	Stroke/CVA/TIA Aneurysm	MRA Head without Contrast	70544
<b>Carotid</b>	Stroke/CVA/TIA	MRA Neck without Contrast	70547
<b>Carotid</b>	Stenosis > 60% on Doppler Ultrasound	MRA Neck without and with Contrast	70549
<b>Intracranial Venous Sinus</b>	Venous Thrombosis	MRV Head without and with Contrast	70546
<b>Orbits</b>	Optic Neuritis Exophthalmos, Proptosis Pseudotumor/Mass/Cancer/Mets Vascular Lesions Visual Disturbances	MRI Orbits/Face/Neck without and with Contrast	70543
<b>Neck-Soft Tissue</b>	Infection Tumor/Mass/Cancer/Mets Vocal Cord Paralysis	MRI Orbits/Face/Neck without and with Contrast	70543



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## Contrast vs. No Contrast Reference Sheet – Spine

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<b>Spine:</b> Cervical	Degenerative Disease Disc Herniation Extremity Pain/Weakness Neck Pain Radiculopathy Trauma	MRI Cervical Spine without Contrast	72141
<b>Spine:</b> Cervical	Discitis Mass/Lesion Osteomyelitis	MRI Cervical Spine without and with Contrast	72156
<b>Spine:</b> Thoracic	Back Pain Compression Fx Disc Herniation Radiculopathy Trauma	MRI Thoracic Spine without Contrast	72146
<b>Spine:</b> Thoracic	Discitis Mass/Lesion Osteomyelitis	MRI Thoracic Spine without and with Contrast	72157
<b>Spine:</b> Lumbar	Back Pain Compression Fx Disc Herniation Radiculopathy Stenosis Trauma	MRI Lumbar Spine without Contrast	72148
<b>Spine:</b> Lumbar	Discitis Mass/Lesion Osteomyelitis Post Lumbar Surgery (<10 yrs)	MRI Lumbar Spine without and with Contrast	72158



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## Contrast vs. No Contrast Reference Sheet – MSK

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<b>Extremity, Non Joint:</b> Forearm Hand/Finger Humerus Foot/Toes Lower Leg Thigh	Fracture/Stress Fracture Muscle/Tendon Tear	MRI Non-Joint without Contrast Upper Extremity Lower Extremity	73218 73718
<b>Extremity, Non Joint:</b> Forearm Hand/Finger Humerus Foot/Toes Lower Leg Thigh	<b>(Venous Injection)</b> Abscess Cellulitis Morton’s Neuroma Osteomyelitis Soft Tissue Tumor/Mass Ulcer	MRI Non-Joint without and with Contrast Upper Extremity Lower Extremity	73220 73720
<b>Extremity, Joint:</b> Elbow Shoulder Wrist Ankle Hip Knee	Arthritis Cartilage Tear Fracture/Stress Fracture Internal Derangement Joint Pain Ligament Tear Meniscal Tear Muscle/Tendon Tear	MRI Joint without Contrast Upper Extremity Lower Extremity	73221 73721
<b>Extremity, Joint:</b> Elbow Shoulder Wrist Ankle Hip Knee	<b>(Venous Injection)</b> Abscess Cellulitis Osteomyelitis Tumor/Mass Ulcer	MRI Joint without and with Contrast Upper Extremity Lower Extremity	73223 73723
<b>Joint: Arthrogram</b>	<b>Intra-articular Injection</b>	MRI Joint with Contrast Upper Extremity Lower Extremity	73222 73722
<b>Pelvis - MSK</b>	Muscle/Tendon Tear Pelvic Pain Sacrum/ Coccyx SI Joints	MRI Pelvis without Contrast	72195
<b>Pelvis – MSK</b>	Abscess/Ulcer Osteomyelitis	MRI Pelvis without and with Contrast	72197



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## Contrast vs. No Contrast Reference Sheet – Body

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<b>Abdomen</b>	MRCP Adrenals	MRI Abdomen without Contrast	74181
<b>Abdomen</b>	Kidneys Liver Mass MRE	MRI Abdomen without and with Contrast	74183
<b>Abdomen – MRA</b>	Renal Arteries Mesenteric Ischemia	MRA Abdomen without and with Contrast	74185
<b>Brachial Plexus</b>	Brachial Plexus Neuropathy	MRI Chest without Contrast	71550
<b>Chest – MRA</b>	Thoracic Aorta Vascular Anomalies Subclavian Vessels	MRA Chest without and with Contrast	71555
<b>Chest Mediastinum</b>	Hilar/mediastinal adenopathy AC Joint Pain SC Joint Pain Scapula Sternum	MRI Chest without Contrast	71550
<b>Chest Mediastinum</b>	Infection Mass Metastatic Disease	MRI Chest without and with Contrast	71552
<b>Pelvis - Female</b>	Adenomyosis Endometriomas Menses Problems Pelvic Pain Uterine Anomalies	MRI Pelvis without Contrast	72195
<b>Pelvis - Female</b>	Adnexal Mass Endometrial CA Known Fibroids Ovarian CA Ovarian Cysts Pre-embolization work-up Uterine Artery Embolus	MRI Pelvis without and with Contrast	72197