

ERRATA for *Cardiothoracic Surgery Coding Reference* 2018 Edition

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2. Use add-on code 33141 in addition to the code for the primary open cardiac procedure such as valvular surgery, graft bypass surgery, or myocardial resection (~~33400-33496~~, **33390, 33391, 33404-33496**, 33510-33536, 33542).

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18. Use code 33403 for access into the left ventricle with sequential dilators placed across the aortic valve into the aorta.

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11. Code 33864 includes temporary pacemaker, chest tube, valvuloplasty, and less involved repairs listed. **Do not** additionally report code 32551, 33210, 33211, **33390**, ~~33400~~, 33860, or 33863.

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PROCEDURE DESCRIPTION	PROC CODE	APC	TOTAL RVU	S&I CODE	APC	TOTAL RVU
Open femoral artery exposure for delivery of endovascular prosthesis, by groin incision, unilateral (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure) (add -50 modifier for bilateral)	☆♦34812	N/A	6.02	N/A		

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37. Code 34812 describes femoral artery cutdown when necessary for access to perform EVAR, TEVAR, FEVAR, iliac stent graft placement, and percutaneous LVAD placement. If done bilaterally, ~~append a -50 modifier~~ **report code 34812 twice**.

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5. When repairs of donor heart are performed, see codes 33300, 33310, 33320, **33390**, ~~33400~~, 33463, 33464, 33510, 33641, 35216, and 35276.

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14. Use code 33981 **once per session if one or both pumps are replaced** for ~~each pump replaced (use twice if both pumps are replaced)~~.