



# Inpatient Hospital Payment for New Devices

- Known as New Technology Add-on Payment (NTAP)
- Additional payment to offset device costs for procedures performed inpatient
- Applies to traditional Medicare fee-for-service only
- Does not apply to Medicare Advantage or commercial plans

These criterion must be met for a technology to receive NTAP payment:

- (1) Must be new
- (2) Must be costly enough that the MS-DRG rate is determined to be inadequate AND
- (3) Must demonstrate a substantial clinical improvement over existing services or technologies

OR

Must receive market authorization as part of the FDA's Breakthrough Device Program

- Not every case billed will receive an NTAP payment
- Costs must exceed DRG payment
- NTAP payment will not exceed 65% of device cost
- Hospitals must bill with appropriate ICD-10-PCS code

## Example: Renal Denervation

DRG Assignment	DRG Payment (Medicare National Rate)
264 Other circulatory system O.R.	\$24,873
ICD-10-PCS Codes	
X05133A	Destruction of Renal Sympathetic Nerve(s) using Radiofrequency Ablation, Percutaneous Approach
X051329	Destruction of Renal Sympathetic Nerve(s) using Ultrasound Ablation, Percutaneous Approach

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## Maximum NTAP Payment

<b>Medtronic Symplicity</b>	\$10,400	Effective October 1, 2024 for up to 3 years
<b>ReCor Paradise</b>	\$14,950	Effective October 1, 2024 for up to 3 years

## References

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (2025). New Medical Services and New Technologies. <https://www.cms.gov/medicare/payment/prospective-payment-systems/acute-inpatient-pps/new-medical-services-and-new-technologies>.

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