

## **NGS-Nail Debridement: CPT Codes 11719, 11720, 11721 and Paring or Cutting of Benign Hyperkeratotic Lesions: CPT Codes 11055, 11056, 11057**

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CPT code 11055 (Paring or cutting of benign hyperkeratotic lesion (e.g., corn or callus); single lesion) and CPT code 11720 (Debridement of nail(s) by any method(s); one to five) should not be reported together for services performed on skin distal to and including the skin overlying the distal interphalangeal joint of the same toe.

Modifiers 59 or -X{EPSU} should not be used if a nail is debrided on the same toe on which a hyperkeratotic lesion of the skin on or distal to the distal interphalangeal joint is pared.

Modifiers 59 or -XS may be reported with code 11720 if 1 to 5 nails are debrided and a hyperkeratotic lesion is pared on a toe other than 1 with a debrided toenail or the hyperkeratotic lesion is proximal to the skin overlying the distal interphalangeal joint of a toe on which a nail is debrided.