DIAGNOSTIC AND THERAPEUTIC PROCEDURES

INJECTIONS OR INFUSIONS				
		Fee		
INTRAVENOUS				
+ G376	Newborn or infant	10.20		
+ G379	Child, adolescent or adult	6.15		
Note:				
1.	G376 or G379 apply to cryoprecipitate infusion.			
2	G376 or G379 may not be claimed with x-rays as they are included in the service.			
3	Except for G381 or G281, injections into established I.V. apparatus may not be claimed.			
G389	Infusion of gamma globulin, initiated by physician, including preparation per patient,			
	per day	13.90		
+ G380	Cutdown including cannulation as necessary	27.05		
G387	Intravenous local anaesthetic infusion for central neuropathic pain	125.00		

Payment rules:

- G387 is only insured for patients with central neuropathic pain who have first undertaken but not responded to generally
 accepted medical therapy.
- 2. The physician submitting the claim for this service must remain in constant attendance during the infusion and no part of the procedure may be delegated or G387 is not payable.
- 3. G387 is limited to a maximum of 6 per patient per 12 month period.

Medical record requirements:

The medical record for the service must document the prior medical therapy that the patient did not respond to or G387 is *not eligible for payment*.

[Commentary:

- 1. Central neuropathic pain is pain caused by a primary lesion or dysfunction that affects the central nervous system.
- 2. At the time of this amendment to the *Schedule* of Benefits, generally accepted medical therapy that would be required prior to G387 is treatment with both a tricyclic antidepressant and at least one anticonvulsant.
- 3. For Intravenous drug test for pain, see Z811 p. X1.]

SCLEROTHERAPY

Sclerotherapy is only insured for veins greater than 5 mm in diameter and associated with physical symptomatology and when rendered personally by the physician.

G536	Sclerotherapy including one post injection visit, unilateral	77.85
G537	Repeat sclerotherapy, unilateral	26.05

Note:

- 1. G536 and G537 include multiple injections and application of any necessary compression bandages.
- 2. Professional and/or technical fees for obtaining and/or interpreting images for the purpose of guidance are *not eligible for payment* in addition to G536 and G537.
- 3. Assistant units nil for G536, G537.

SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

For Management of parenteral alimentation

In addition to the *common elements*, this service includes the *specific elements* of assessments (see General Preamble GP11). Not to be claimed in addition to hospital visits.