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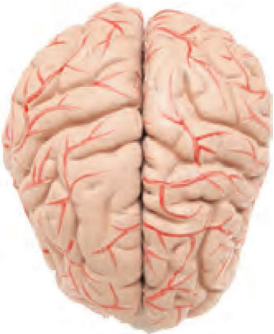

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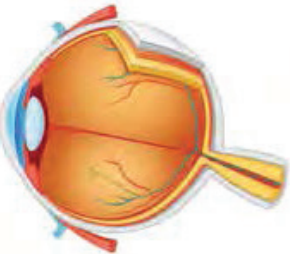

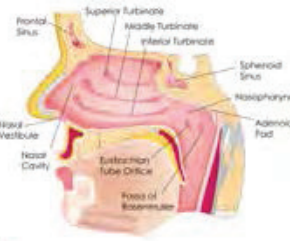
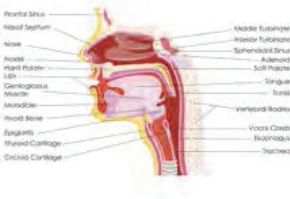
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IMAGE	BODY PART(S)	REASON FOR EXAM	IV CONTRAST	CPT CODE
	MRI Brain W/O	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Headache • Trauma/Bleeding • Memory loss • Confusion • CVA • TIA • Huntington's • Parkinson's • Hydrocephaly • Dementia • Tremors • Chiari malformation • Ataxia • Amnesia 	No	70551
	MRI Brain W & W/O	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • History of any cancer (except basal cell) • Tumor • Seizures • MS • Infection, encephalitis • Meningitis 	Yes	70553
	MRA Brain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aneurysm • Clots • Stenosis • CVA • Cavernous Angioma 	No	70544
	MRV Brain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Avascular malformation • Sagittal Sinus Thrombosis 	No	70544
	MRI Pituitary W & W/O	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low testosterone • Increased Prolactin • Unexplained weight loss or weight gain • Menstrual changes • Decreased ADH • Increased growth hormone • Increased TSH • Galactorrhea • Vision changes • Sellar/Suprasellar Lesion 	Yes	70553




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	<p>MRI IAC (Internal Auditory Canal) W & W/O</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hearing loss • Vertigo • Dizziness • Tinnitus • Acoustic Neuroma 	Yes	70553
	<p>MRI Orbits W & W/O</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Optic nerves • Double vision • Blurred vision • Papilledema 	Yes	70543
	<p>MRI Orbits & Limited Brain W & W/O</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Optic nerves • Double vision • Blurred vision • Papilledema 	Yes	70543 70553 Limited
	<p>Nasopharynx</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nasal mass 	Yes	70543
 <p>THROAT</p>	<p>MRI Soft Tissue Neck W & W/O</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salivary Gland Lesion • Soft Tissue Mass 	Yes	70543

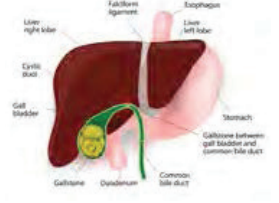
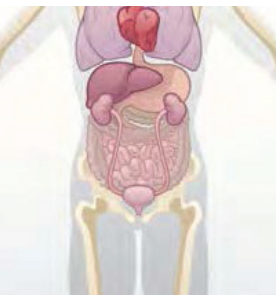
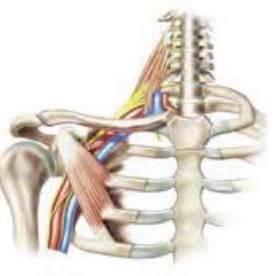

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	<p align="center">TMJ (Temporomandibular Joint)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cartilage injury • TMJ disorders • Jaw pain • Osteoarthritis 	<p align="center">No</p>	<p align="center">70336</p>
	<p align="center">MRA Neck W & W/O</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carotid Stenosis • Vertebral Artery Injury • Atherosclerotic Disease • CVA / TIA 	<p align="center">Yes</p>	<p align="center">70549</p>
	<p align="center">MRI Cervical Spine W/O</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neck Pain (cervicalgia) • Herniated disk • Arm tingling / numbness or weakness • Arm pain • Cervical Radiculopathy • Stenosis • Arthropathy • Post surgery 	<p align="center">No</p>	<p align="center">72141</p>



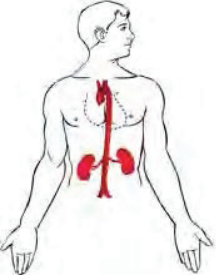
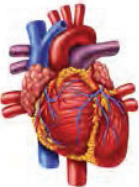
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	MRI Cervical W & W/O	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infection / Absces • MS • Hemiplegia / Parathesia • Myelopathy • Syrinx • Tumor • Cancer • Metastasis 	Yes	72156
	MRI Thoracic Spine W/O	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upper / Mid back pain • Compression fracture • Osteoporosis • Herniated disk • Stenosis • Radiculitis or Radiculopathy • Post surgery 	No	72146
	MRI Thoracic Spine W & W/O	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infection / Abscess • MS • Transverse Myelitis • Syrinx • Cancer or Metastasis 	Yes	72157
	MRI Lumbar Spine W/O	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low back pain (lumbago) • Herniated disk • Lumbar Radiculopathy • Lumbar Radiculitis • Lower Extremity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Numbness • Tingling • Weakness • Myelopathy • Loss of bowel or bladder control • Spinal Stenosis • Cancer or Metastasis • Cauda Equina Syndrome 	No	72148
	MRI Lumbar Spine W & W/O	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infection / Abscess • Mass • Previous Lumbar Surgery within past 15 years • Discitis 	Yes	72158

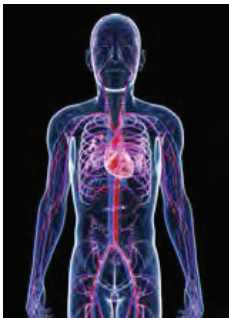


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	MRI Abdomen W/O (MRCP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biliary tract • Common bile duct • Gallbladder stones 	No	74181
	MRI Abdomen W & W/O	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liver Pathology • Kidney Pathology • Adrenal Pathology • Splenic Pathology • Pancreatic Pathology • Abdominal pain 	Yes	74183
	MRI Brachial Plexus W & W/O	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neurogenic Tumor of Brachial Plexus • Injury to brachial plexus • Brachial Plexopathy • Peripheral Neuropathy 	Yes	70543
	MRI Chest W & W/O	<p>CT suggested for most evaluations of chest.</p> <p>MRI done for soft tissue masses in chest and mediastinum area.</p>	Yes	71552





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	<p>MRI Pelvis W/O</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SI Joint pain • Pelvis fracture • Sacral and or coccyx disorders • Metastasis of the bone • Avascular necrosis bilateral hips 	<p>No</p>	<p>72195</p>
	<p>MRI Pelvis W & W/O</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ovarian or Uterine Pathology • Fibroid tumors • Bladder Pathology • Retal Cancer • Anal Cancer • Anal Fistulas 	<p>Yes</p>	<p>72197</p>
	<p>MRA Abdomen W & W/O</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renal artery stenosis • Hypertension • Bowel Ischemia • Atherosclerotic disease 	<p>Yes</p>	<p>74185</p>
	<p>MRA Chest W & W/O</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aortic dissection / aneurysm • Anomalies • Subclavian steal 	<p>Yes</p>	<p>71555</p>


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	MRA Abdomen / Pelvis / Bilateral Lower Extremities (Run Off) W & W/O	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Claudication • Visualization of Aorta, Bifurcation and lower Extremities • Arterial Stenosis • PAD (Peripheral Artery Disease) 	Yes	72198 73725 73725
	MRI Upper Extremity W & W/O Humerus, Forearm, Hand, Finger	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pain • Decreased range of motion • AVN • Muscle/ligament tear • Injury • Internal derangement • Swelling • Arthritis • Tendonitis 	No	73218
	MRI Upper Extremity W & W/O Humerus, Forearm, Hand, Finger	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cancer • Tumors • Infection • Abscess • Masses or soft tissue lumps 	Yes	73220
	MRI Upper Extremity Joint W/O Shoulder, Elbow or Wrist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pain • Decreased range of motion • AVN • Muscle/ligament tear • Injury • Internal derangement • Swelling • Arthritis • Tendonitis 	No	73221
	MRI Upper Extremity Joint W & W/O Shoulder, Elbow or Wrist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cancer • Tumors • Infection • Abscess • Masses or soft tissue lumps 	Yes	73223

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	MRI Lower Extremity W/O Femur, Tib/Fib or Foot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pain • Decreased range of motion • AVN • Muscle/ligament tear • Injury • Internal derangement • Swelling • Arthritis • Tendonitis 	No	73718
	MRI Lower Extremity W & W/O Femur, Tib/Fib or Foot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cancer • Tumors • Infection • Osteomyelitis • Abscess • Masses or soft tissue lumps 	Yes	73720
 	MRI Lower Extremity Joint W/O Knee, Hip or Ankle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pain • Decreased range of motion • AVN • Muscle/ligament tear • Injury • Internal derangement • Swelling • Arthritis • Tendonitis 	No	73721
		MRI Lower Extremity Joint W & W/O Knee, Hip or Ankle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cancer • Tumors • Infection • Osteomyelitis • Abscess • Masses or soft tissue lumps 	Yes

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 <p>The image column contains four anatomical illustrations: a shoulder joint, a knee joint, a hip joint, and a wrist joint. Each illustration highlights the internal structures of the joint in red and pink, showing bones, cartilage, and ligaments.</p>	<p>MRI Arthrogram (Special Exam) Shoulder, Hip, Elbow or Wrist</p> <p>MRI Upper or Lower Extremity Joint with Contrast</p>	<p>This should be ordered as a two part test X-ray to be done first MRI to follow.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pain • Labral Tears 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No IV contrast • Contrast goes into joint 	<p>73222 or 73722</p>



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This guide is intended as a general tool for the selection of appropriate care. Given the individual needs of patients, careful correlation with clinical information is needed. As always, consultation with your local radiologist can provide valuable guidance.

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