



*Consultants in Dysphagia Diagnosis and Management*

**What is the cost benefit of using a Mobile X-ray service over sending patients to the hospital?**

We at Professional Imaging, LLC will bill Medicare Part B(Trailblazer, LLC) services for all professional and technical charges of the Dysphagia Consultation including a Mobile Modified Barium Swallow. Only one charge is billable by your facility for a patient not covered under Part A Medicare which is the 92611 charge which is reimbursed at different rates depending on the county in which your facility is located. This is a pass thru charge which means we have to bill the facility directly for this charge and the facility bills Medicare which reimburses the facility directly. Please use the form created by Professional Imaging, LLC to assist the billing office to know when a modified barium swallow study is completed on a patient that is not covered under Part A Medicare.

Harris County: \$135.35  
All other counties: \$116.93

Galveston County: \$128.72  
Brazoria County: \$130.02

**PATIENTS IN YOUR NURSING HOME UNDER PART A MEDICARE**

Under the consolidated billing act we cannot bill Medicare for the technical components of the X-ray study when patients are in a Part A stay. Medicare has mandated that we contract with the nursing home for patients under the Part A global reimbursement to the nursing home for the technical component of the X-ray study.

The X-ray technical codes and allowable reimbursement for patients receiving a Dysphagia Consultation including the MBSS from Professional Imaging, LLC are as follows

70360-TC \$ 17.08  
70371-TC \$86.36  
70373-TC \$73.61  
74220-TC \$48.54  
92611 \$135.35 Harris County

Allowable total reimbursement for the technical component is \$360.94. Professional Imaging, LLC contracted rate to your facility for patient under a Part A is \$150.00 a Savings of \$210.94

The advantage of using the mobile service is that you do not have to transport the patient to the hospital or other X-ray center thus improving patient comfort, safety and reducing the cost to your facility for the transportation charge. It also allows us to assess the patient in a comfortable available environment with out a concern for fatigue in the patient which can effect the quality of the study and appropriate advice for rehabilitation. It is our goal to provide the Dysphagia Consultation including a swallow study to your patients within 24-48 hours of receiving the request.