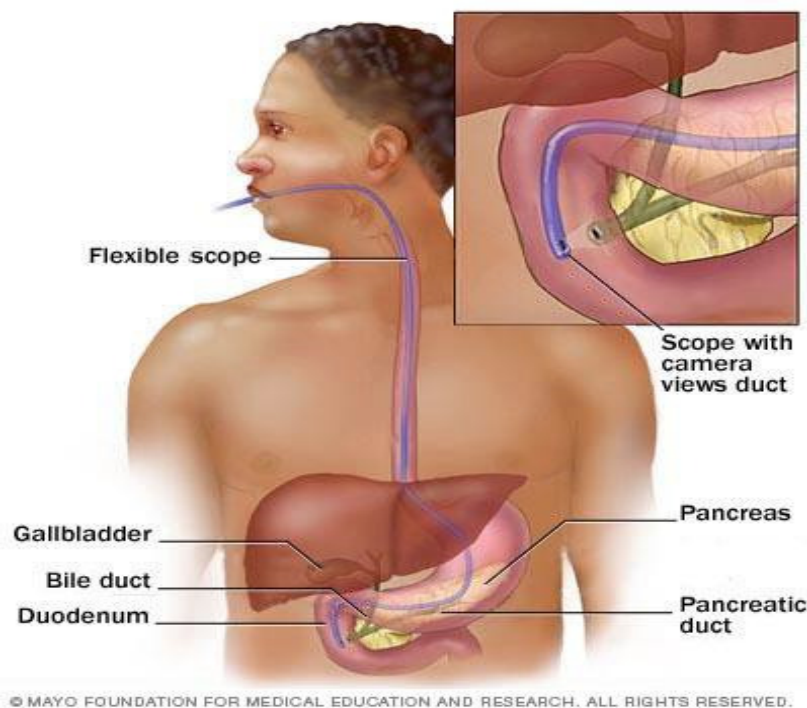


## Endoscopic Retrograde Cholangiopancreatography (ERCP) – CPT Codes 43260-43278

The American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ASGE) works to ensure that adequate methods are in place for gastroenterology practices to report and obtain fair and reasonable reimbursement for procedures, tests and visits. To assist practices in understanding and implementing GI-specific coding, ASGE has developed coding sheets. The purpose of the coding sheet is to provide a high-level overview to support practices in their coding and reimbursement for 2018.



### What is an Endoscopic Retrograde Cholangiopancreatography (ERCP)?

It is an endoscopic procedure that combines upper gastrointestinal (GI) endoscopy and x-rays to treat problems of the bile and pancreatic ducts.

The CPT<sup>®</sup> codes in this series identify services performed during an endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP).

**Coding Tip** - Beginning **January 1, 2017**, moderate sedation is no longer included in payment for gastrointestinal endoscopy services. If you provide moderate (conscious) sedation in conjunction with GI procedures you must now bill sedation separately with the appropriate moderate sedation HCPCS code(s) 99151, 99152, +99153, 99155, 99156, +99157 and G0500. This is important as the moderate sedation service was previously included in the relative value units (RVUs) for gastrointestinal endoscopy services. Failure to bill moderate sedation codes separately will result in loss of revenue for these services. ASGE suggests that you consult your individual payer policies for further information on moderate sedation billing processes.



## CPT Codes for Endoscopic Retrograde Cholangiopancreatography (ERCP)

CPT	Description
43260	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); diagnostic, including collection of specimen(s) by brushing or washing, when performed (separate procedure)
43261	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); with biopsy, single or multiple
43262	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); with sphincterotomy/papillotomy
43263	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); with pressure measurement of sphincter of Oddi
43264	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); with removal of calculi/debris from biliary/pancreatic duct(s)
43265	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); with destruction of calculi, any method (eg, mechanical, electrohydraulic, lithotripsy)
43267	Code deleted, use <b>43274</b>
43268	Code deleted, use <b>43274</b>
43274	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); with placement of endoscopic stent into biliary or pancreatic duct, including pre- and postdilation and guide wire passage, when performed, including sphincterotomy, when performed, each stent
43269	Code deleted, see <b>43275, 43276</b>
43271	Code deleted, use <b>43277</b>
43272	Code deleted, use <b>43278</b>
43275	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); with removal of foreign body(s) or stent(s) from biliary/pancreatic duct(s)
43276	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); with removal and exchange of stent(s), biliary or pancreatic duct, including pre- and postdilation and guide wire passage, when performed, including sphincterotomy, when performed, each stent exchanged
43277	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); with trans-endoscopic balloon dilation of biliary/pancreatic duct(s) or of ampulla (sphincteroplasty), including sphincterotomy, when performed, each duct
43278	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); with ablation of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s), including pre- and post-dilation and guide wire passage, when performed