



The Aliya[®] PEF System with INUMI[™] Flex Endoscopic Needle

2026 Coding and Payment for Transbronchial
Pulsed Electric Field Ablation Procedures

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BACKGROUND

INDICATIONS FOR USE

The Aliya® PEF System and the INUMI™ Flex needle are 510(k) cleared in the United States for the surgical ablation of soft tissue. They are not currently commercially available in any other geography.

Galvanize Therapeutics® does not promote the off-label use of its products and nothing herein is intended to promote an off-label use of the Aliya System. The Aliya System is a tool for the surgical ablation of soft tissues, and is not intended to treat, cure, prevent or mitigate any specific disease or condition.

DISCLAIMER

The information provided contains general reimbursement information and is presented for educational purposes.

The information does not constitute reimbursement or legal advice. It is the provider's sole responsibility to determine medical necessity, the proper site for delivery of any services, and to submit accurate and appropriate codes based on the services rendered and the patient's medical condition. Payer billing, coding and coverage requirements vary from payer to payer, may be updated frequently, and should be verified before treatment for limitations on diagnosis, coding, or service requirements. Galvanize Therapeutics recommends you consult with payers, reimbursement specialists, and/or legal counsel regarding all coding, coverage, and reimbursement matters. **All coding and billing submissions to the federal government and any other payer must be truthful and not misleading, and require full disclosure for the reimbursement of any service or procedure.** Galvanize Therapeutics specifically disclaims any responsibility for actions or consequences resulting from the use of this information.

2026 HOSPITAL OUTPATIENT CODING AND PAYMENT

Effective January 1, 2025, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) issued HCPCS code C8005 for hospital outpatient departments to report non-thermal transbronchial pulsed electric field (PEF) ablation procedures.¹

HCPCS Code	Description	Status Indicator ^{2,3}	Ambulatory Payment Classification (APC) ³	2026 Medicare National Amount ³
C8005	Bronchoscopy, rigid or flexible, non-thermal transbronchial ablation of lesion(s) by pulsed electric field (PEF) energy, including fluoroscopic and/or ultrasound guidance, when performed, with computed tomography acquisition(s) and 3d rendering, computer-assisted, image-guided navigation, and endobronchial ultrasound (ebus) guided transtracheal and/or transbronchial sampling (e.g., aspiration[s]/biopsy[ies]) of all mediastinal and/or hilar lymph node stations or structures, and therapeutic intervention(s)	S	1576	\$17,500.50
C1889	Implantable/insertable device, not otherwise classified	N	NA	NA

1. New Technology APC Application Approval Tracker. April 8, 2025. <https://www.cms.gov/files/document/new-technology-apc-approvals-tracker-updated-04/08/2025.pdf>

2. Status indicators:

N Items and Services Packaged into APC Rates. Paid under OPPS; payment is packaged into payment for other services. Therefore, there is no separate APC payment.

S Procedure or Service, Not Discounted When Multiple. Paid under OPPS; separate APC payment.

3. CMS-1809-FC; Medicare Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS) Calendar Year 2025 Quarterly Update, Addendum B, April 2025.

Medicare payment amounts will vary by locality.

IMPORTANT BILLING INFORMATION FOR HOSPITALS

C8005 describes the Transbronchial PEF procedure and procedural components. Hospital charges should reflect all charges for the procedure, including components and devices used during the procedure described by this code.

The charge for HCPCS Code C1889 should reflect the hospital's charges for the Aliya electrode and INUMI Flex needle.

Third party reimbursement amounts for specific procedures will vary by payer and by locality. This information is current as of January 28, 2026, but is subject to change without notice. Contact your local Medicare Administrative Contractor to confirm Medicare payment rates and other billing information.

PHYSICIAN REIMBURSEMENT

Physicians report bronchoscopic PEF procedures with an unlisted CPT code because no existing CPT code appropriately describes the non-thermal transbronchial PEF ablation procedure with Aliya. For bronchoscopic PEF ablation procedures performed on the lungs and pleural space, the following miscellaneous CPT code may be reported.

CPT Code	Descriptor
32999	Other procedures on the lungs and pleura

Endoscopic PEF ablation procedures performed on other areas of the body may be reported with different unlisted CPT codes depending on the target ablation location on the body.

Providers may choose to reference a comparative Category I CPT procedure code with similar resources, i.e., RVUs, to the transbronchial PEF ablation procedure in the claims field 19, e.g., "CPT xxxxx is comparable to the procedure reported with 32999, for which I charge \$xxxxx."

The comparative codes shown in the table below are not reported for the transbronchial PEF ablation procedure, but provide a comparative reference for valuing and establishing charges for the transbronchial PEF ablation procedure that is reported with an unlisted code.

Comparative CPT Code	Description	Total Time (in minutes)	Work RVUs ¹	2026 Medicare National Amount ¹
31641	Bronchoscopy, rigid or flexible, including fluoroscopic guidance, when performed; with destruction of tumor or relief of stenosis by any method other than excision (e.g., laser therapy, cryotherapy)	141	4.89	\$224.45
32994	Ablation therapy for the reduction or eradication of 1 or more pulmonary tumors, including pleura or chest wall, percutaneous, including imaging guidance when performed, unilateral; cryoablation.	168	8.80	\$380.77
32998	Ablation therapy for the reduction or eradication of 1 or more pulmonary tumors, including pleura or chest wall, percutaneous, including imaging guidance when performed, unilateral; radiofrequency.	163	8.80	\$380.77

1. CMS-1832-F. Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Calendar Year 2026 Final Rule. November 2025.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Can the hospital bill the C8005 with bronchoscopy, diagnostic biopsy or endobronchial ultrasound biopsy codes?

No. C8005 describes all ancillary procedures typically performed during transbronchial PEF ablation.

What device code is associated with the Aliya disposable products (Aliya Electrode, INUMI Flex Endoscopic Needle)?

There is no PEF-specific device code for our Aliya electrode and INUMI Flex needle. CMS recommends hospitals report HCPCS code C1889 Implantable/insertable device, not otherwise classified.

Do Commercial payers accept the C-code associated with Aliya transbronchial PEF ablation procedures?

HCPCS C8005 is a Medicare code for reporting transbronchial PEF procedures performed in the hospital outpatient setting and billed to Medicare, including Medicare Advantage plans. Private/Commercial payers may or may not accept the C-code. Appropriate pre-authorization and approval process should be followed prior to providing the procedure for non-Medicare patients.

Can the C-code be used for Medicare Advantage patients?

Procedures and services that are reimbursed by Medicare should be reimbursed by Medicare Advantage plans. Contact the specific Medicare Advantage plan if you have any questions.

Is the Transbronchial PEF C-code payable in an ASC?

No, HCPCS C8005 is not on the ASC Fee Schedule.



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CAUTION: Federal (US) law restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a physician.

Important information: Prior to use, refer to the Instructions for Use that are supplied with this device for indications, contraindications, side effects, suggested procedure, warnings and precautions. Galvanize Therapeutics and Aliya are trademarks and may be registered in the US and/or in other countries.