

Coding Tip: Intra-Uterine Fetal Blood Transfusion

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When performing an intra-uterine fetal blood transfusion, there may be up to 4 appropriate codes to bill including:

- 59012, cordocentesis/sampling
- 36460, fetal blood transfusion
- 76941, ultrasonic guidance, intrauterine transfusion/cordocentesis
- Any appropriate ultrasound performed prior to transfusion, such as 76815, Limited ultrasound (checking fetal well-being after the transfusion is not separately billable – SMFM Q&A #1789). Check with your local payers for their preferred method to report this service if the limited scan is indicated pre or post-procedure.

Please submit any questions you may have to the SMFM Coding Committee Ask a Coding Question website (<https://www.smfm.org/coding/questions/new>). Additional information and resources are also available on our coding website. Thank you very much.

