**Provider Checklist-Outpatient –Imaging**

**Checklist: Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Hip**

 **(CPT Code: 73721, 73722, 73723)**

All Indications [**\*One has to be present**]

 **\***Chronic monarticular joint pain [**All have to be present**]

 Symptoms at hip [**One has to be present**]

 Joint pain

 Locking

 Giving way by Hx

 Findings at hip [**Two have to be present**]

 Pain with passive ROM

 Limited ROM

 Weakness of abductors/hip flexors

 Hip x−ray nondiagnostic for etiology of pain

 Continued Sx/findings after Rx [**Both have to be present**]

 NSAID [**One has to be present**]

 -1 Rx ≥ 4 wks

 -2 Contraindicated/not tolerated

 PT ≥ 6 wks

 **\***Suspected intra−articular loose body [**All have to be present**]

 Symptoms at hip [**One has to be present**]

 211 Joint pain

 212 Locking

 213 Giving way by Hx

 Findings at hip [**Two have to be present**]

 221 Pain with passive ROM

 222 Limited ROM

 223 Clicking

 Hip x−ray nondiagnostic for loose body

 **\***Suspected nondisplaced femoral neck fracture [All have to be present]

 Hip pain

 Hip pain increased by weight bearing/passive ROM

 Hip x−ray nondiagnostic for fracture

 **\***Suspected avascular necrosis (osteonecrosis), femoral head [**All have to be present**]

 Hip pain

 Pain with passive ROM

 Hip x−ray nondiagnostic for avascular necrosis

 Continued pain after Rx [**Both have to be present**]

 NSAID [**One has to be present**]

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 PT ≥ 6 wks

 **\***Suspected osteomyelitis [**Both have to be present**]

 Findings [**One has to be present**]

 ESR > 30 mm/hr

 Temperature > 100.4 F(38.0 C)

 WBC > 10,000/cu.mm (10x109/L)

 Blood culture positive

 C−reactive protein > 10 mg/L

 Hip x−ray nondiagnostic for osteomyelitis