Clinical Coding Workout 2020

Errata sheet

Text

Chapter 5, page 117

5.67. **Preoperative Diagnosis:** Status post trauma with tri-malleolar fracture dislocation, left ankle, now completely healed

**Postoperative Diagnosis:** Same

**Procedure:** Removal of deep internal fixation devices from specified bones

**Description of Procedure:** With the patient under general anesthesia, the right lower extremity was prepped and draped in the usual sterile manner. Pneumatic tourniquet was in place and inflated. There was a palpable lateral screw in the distal third of the fibula. An incision was made over the screw head through a previous area of incision, carried down through the skin and subcutaneous tissue and superficial fascia. The screw was identified and was removed. The tip of the medial malleolus and screw heads were identified, and the incision carried down through the previous incision and carried down through the skin and a small split in the fascia and deltoid. The screw heads were each identified and removed. There was no evidence of infection. Irrigation was carried out throughout. The wounds were closed using 3-0 nylon.

Answer Key

Chapter 1, Q 1.441 (Page 28).

1.441. **ICD-10-PCS Code(s):** 0UT94ZZ, 0UTC4ZZ

**Rationale:** During a total laparoscopic hysterectomy, the entire uterus and cervix are resected. The ICD-10-PCS Root Operation Guidelines for coding multiple procedures state that if the same root operation is performed on different body parts as defined by distinct values of the body part character, each should be coded separately (CMS 2019b, B3.2.a). During this procedure, two distinct body parts were removed, the uterus and cervix (Coding Clinic, 2013, 3rd Quarter, 28). The Alphabetic Index main term is Hysterectomy, “see Resection, Uterus 0UT9.” Reference the table 0UT for the remaining characters of the first code. The body part value is the uterus (9), the approach is percutaneous endoscopic (4), and there is no device or qualifier (Z), resulting in code 0UT94ZZ. For resection of the cervix, the main term is Resection, Cervix 0UTC. Reference the table 0UT for the remaining characters of the second code. The body part value is the cervix (C), the approach is percutaneous endoscopic (4) and there is no device or qualifier (Z), resulting in code 0UTC4ZZ.

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**Rationale:** During a total laparoscopic hysterectomy, the entire uterus and cervix are resected. The Alphabetic Index main term is Hysterectomy, subterm Total, which instructs the coder to “see Resection, Uterus 0UT9.” Reference the table 0UT for the remaining characters of the code. The body part value is the Uterus (9), the approach is Percutaneous Endoscopic (4), and there is No Device (Z). The two choices of qualifier values are Supracervical (L) and No Qualifier (Z). Since this is a total, not a supracervical hysterectomy, we select No Qualifier (Z), resulting in code 0UT94ZZ.