



Government of **Western Australia**
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Western Australian Coding Rule

0719/04 Double balloon enteroscopy

WA Coding Rule 0316/09 *Double balloon enteroscopy* is retired.

In ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Eleventh Edition (effective 1 July 2019) an ACHI code was created for double balloon enteroscopy.

DECISION

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Q.

What procedure code should be assigned for double balloon enteroscopy performed by colonoscopy approach? The patient had a previous resection and anastomosis and this DBE traversed the ileocaecal valve.

A.

A double balloon enteroscopy (DBE) is an endoscopic technique for visualisation of the small bowel. Two balloons are attached to the enteroscope and are then alternately inflated and deflated, which pleats the intestine over the enteroscope as it progresses step-wise through the small bowel.

DBE is commonly performed similarly to gastroscopy, by passing the enteroscope through the mouth and the upper digestive tract into the small bowel. However, DBE may also be performed in a retrograde fashion, through the lower digestive tract.

Using 'enteroscopy' as the lead term, the ACHI Index directs coders to assign a double balloon enteroscopy a panendoscopy code. However, if the operation report documents that the scope is passed through the colon to the extent of the ileum, the following pathway may be used to arrive at a colonoscopy code:

Ileoscopy

-via

-- colonoscopy – see *Colonoscopy*

If the scope is passed to the extent of the jejunum, no such look up exists at 'Jejunoscopy', so the lead term 'Enteroscopy' must be used, leading to the assignment of a panendoscopy code.

DECISION

Coders must follow the ACHI Index and assign a procedure code for double balloon enteroscopy based on the documentation on the endoscopy report. Possible lead terms include 'ileoscopy' and 'enteroscopy', depending on documentation of the extent of the scope. A public submission will be made to the ACCD for updating of the Index in future editions.

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