



Western Australian Coding Rule

0915/06 Retinectomy

Q.

What is the correct code to assign for retinectomy? It was performed with repair of retinal detachment.

A.

A retinectomy is usually performed for repair of severe retinal detachment complicated by proliferative vitreoretinopathy. It involves excising a part of the retina and is performed as an alternative to scleral buckling.

Clinical advice is to assign a separate procedure code for retinectomy. As no Index pathway exists in ACHI for retinectomy, the best code to assign is 90079-00 [212] *Other repair of retinal detachment*.

DECISION

Retinectomy for repair of retinal detachment should be coded to 90079-00 [212] *Other repair of retinal detachment*.

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