



Western Australian Coding Rule

0318/27 Repositioning of gastric band

In ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Ninth Edition, new ACHI codes were created for revision of gastric band. WA Coding Rule 1013/04 *Repositioning of gastric band* is therefore retired.

DECISION

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What is the correct code to assign for laparoscopic repositioning of gastric band (e.g. if band has slipped)? There is a code for repositioning of gastric band reservoir, but not the band itself.

A.

Pouch dilatation with or without slippage of the band is a serious complication of gastric banding, often attributed to initial malpositioning of the band. Food intake is increased, and weight regain occurs. Progressive rotation of the band follows, leading to functional stenosis and dysphagia. Reoperation is necessary in most cases, and may consist of band removal, band change, band repositioning, or conversion to another bariatric procedure (Suter 2001, 507).

There is no specific code in ACHI for repositioning of a gastric band. As there is no removal or insertion being performed, the only other index pathway to follow is:

Procedure
-for
--obesity NEC

For laparoscopic repositioning of gastric band we suggest to follow the pathway *Procedure, for, obesity NEC, laparoscopic* and assign 90943-01 [889] *Other laparoscopic procedures for obesity*.

DECISION

Laparoscopic repositioning of gastric band should be coded to 90943-01 [889] *Other laparoscopic procedures for obesity*.

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