

Western Australian Coding Rule

0110/04 Biopsy of skin of eyelid

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How should biopsy of eyelid be coded? 30071-00 *Biopsy of skin and subcutaneous tissue* or 30071-02 *Biopsy of eyelid*?

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The code 30071-02 [232] *Biopsy of eyelid* is for biopsy taken from deeper layer of eyelid such as orbital septum, tarsal plate etc. Coders need to check the histopathology report to determine where the biopsy is from i.e. the skin or deeper layer of eyelid.

Biopsy of skin eyelid should be coded 30071-00 [1618] *Biopsy of skin and subcutaneous tissue*. In summary the coder should consider: is it a skin lesion, confined to skin? If yes then the Index look-up is biopsy, skin rather than biopsy, by site (same as for excision and excisional biopsy).

DECISION

Assign 30071-00 [1618] Biopsy of skin and subcutaneous tissue for biopsy of skin of eyelid.

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