

Western Australian Coding Rule

0418/01 Clonidine suppression test

WA Coding Rule 1110/07 *Clonidine suppression test* is retired. This Rule was for interpretation of the <u>Admission, Readmission, Discharge and Transfer Policy</u> (MP 0058/17); and coders should be guided by this policy.

DECISION

WA Coding Rule 1110/07 Clonidine suppression test is retired.

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Q.

Patient with Phaeochromocytoma is admitted via the elective waitlist for a Clonidine Suppression Test. In this test, plasma catecholamines levels are measured before and 3 hours after a 0.3 µg/kg oral test dose has been given to the patient. A positive test occurs if there is no decrease in plasma levels. What is the correct procedure code to assign for Clonidine suppression test?

A.

This is not a Type B day procedure nor a certified Type C procedure, it therefore does not meet criteria for elective same day procedures in the WA Admission policy. This should be recorded as a non-admitted episode.

DECISION

Clonidine suppression test does not meet criteria for admission.

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