

Western Australian Coding Rule

0814/01 Gastric band removal

Q.

What code is assigned for gastric band removal when no complication is documented as the reason for removal?

Α.

When no complication is documented as the reason for removal of a gastric band, coders should first seek clarification from the clinician regarding a diagnosis. If clarification is not possible, assign Z45.89 *Adjustment and management of other implanted devices*, for removal of gastric band, with no complications documented as the reason for removal, following the pathway:

Management

- implanted device
- -- specified

DECISION

Assign Z45.89 *Adjustment and management of other implanted devices* for removal of gastric band when there are no documented complications as the reason for removal <u>and</u> clarification from the clinician regarding a diagnosis is not possible.

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