Western Australian Coding Rule

0110/05 Mucous cyst digit

Q.
What codes should be assigned for mucous cyst of digit excision?

A.
Mucous cyst of digit is a ganglion cyst (M67.4x) arising usually from the DIP joint.

Excision is coded 30107-00 [1564] Excision of ganglion, not elsewhere classified for mucous cyst of toe or 46495-00 [1474] Excision of mucous cyst of digit of hand for mucous cyst of finger.

Always check histopathology - if not consistent with mucous cyst, ganglion or synovial cyst, query it with the Clinician. Please note that this advice pertains to digital mucous cysts only i.e. if not digital code to specific tissue type/site:
Mucous cyst lip = K13.01
Mucous cyst mouth = K09.8

DECISION
 Assign M67.4x for mucous cyst of digit. Excision is coded 30107-00 [1564] Excision of ganglion, not elsewhere classified or 46495-00 [1474] Excision of mucous cyst of digit of hand. Suggest a note on Codefinder™ under M67.4x Mucous cyst of digit – when a note search is done for mucous cyst M67.4 will be found.

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