Western Australian Coding Rule

0721/05 Procedures performed on large intestine via retrograde balloon enteroscopy

Q. What ACHI codes are assigned for procedures performed on the large intestine via retrograde balloon enteroscopy?

A. ACHI code 30680-00 [1005] Balloon enteroscopy has a ‘Code also’ Instruction for endoscopic procedures performed on the small intestine (i.e. duodenum, jejunum and ileum, classified to blocks [892] and [1005] to [1008]), but not for the large intestine (e.g. classified to blocks [905], [908] and [911]). This is likely an oversight and will be referred to IHPA. In the meantime, when a balloon enteroscopy is performed, ‘Code also’ any endoscopic procedures performed on the large intestine.

For example, for retrograde double balloon enteroscopy with ileal biopsy and colonic polypectomy, assign:
30680-00[1005] Balloon enteroscopy
32090-01 [911] Fibreoptic colonoscopy to caecum, with biopsy
32093-00 [911] Fibreoptic colonoscopy to caecum, with polypectomy

DECISION

When a balloon enteroscopy (30680-00 [1005]) is performed, ‘Code also’ any endoscopic procedures performed on the large intestine (e.g. classified to blocks [905], [908] and [911]).

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