Western Australian Coding Rule

1218/08 Lipomodelling following breast reconstruction

WA Coding Rule 0413/03 Lipofilling of breast scars is superseded by ACCD Coding Rule Lipomodelling following breast reconstruction (Ref No: Q3318) effective 1 January 2019; (log in to view on the ACCD CLIP portal).

DECISION

WA Coding Rule 0413/03 Lipofilling of breast scars is retired.

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0413/03  Lipofilling of breast scars

Q. How should breast lipofilling procedure be coded?

A. Breast lipofilling is often performed to treat contour deformities or scarring of the breast. A British paper that describes the procedure can be found at http://www.bapras.org.uk/downloaddoc.asp?id=666. The procedure involves two parts: fat harvest by incision and injection of the harvested fat (lipofilling) into the breast.

Clinical advice has been sought and it was recommended that 45584-00 [1666] Liposuction be used for the harvesting of the fat and 90660-00 [1602] Administration of agent into skin and subcutaneous tissue be used for the injection of the fat. WACCAG agrees with this advice and adds that ACS 0020 Bilateral/Multiple Procedures point 4 be followed and one code assigned for each entry point. E.g. two abdominal incisions to harvest the fat and two injection sites on each breast would be coded as 45584-00 [1666] x 2 and 90660-00 [1602] x4.

Note that this code for breast lipofilling should only be used for injection of fat at skin and subcutaneous tissue level. Follow index entry:

Injection
- skin (subcutaneous tissue)
- - filling material (autologous fat) (collagen) (silicone) 90660-00 [1602]

DECISION
Breast lipofilling should be coded to 45584-00 [1666] Liposuction for the harvesting portion of the procedure and 90660-00 [1602] Administration of agent into skin and subcutaneous tissue for the injection portion of the procedure. The procedure codes should be assigned once per entry point.

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