

HTG13 Endoscopic laser foraminoplasty

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Procedure and device:

SNOMED CT preferred term (concept ID)

Endoscopic laser foraminoplasty of lumbar spine (822281000000109)

OPCS-4 code(s):

V56.3 Primary laser foraminoplasty of lumbar spine

V55.- Levels of spine

Y76.3 Endoscopic approach to other body cavity

Y53.1 Approach to organ under radiological control

Or if this is a revisional procedure:

V57.3 Revisional laser foraminoplasty of lumbar spine

V55.- Levels of spine

Y76.3 Endoscopic approach to other body cavity

Y53.1 Approach to organ under radiological control

Note: Codes from categories **V56.-** or **V57.-** are selected depending on the site in the spine that is operated on.

Note: Codes within category **V55.-** are assigned in second place each time a spinal operation is coded: if the levels of spine are not specified, **V55.9 Unspecified levels of spine** is used.

Diagnosis or health condition:

SNOMED CT preferred term (concept ID)

Chronic back pain (134407002)

Pain in lower limb (10601006)

ICD-10 code(s):

M54.9 Dorsalgia, unspecified

Backache NOS

Or

M51.2 Other specified intervertebral disc displacement

Lumbago due to displacement of intervertebral disc

Clinical coding recommendations for NICE guidance

For each published interventional procedure and medical technologies guidance, we work with NHS Digital to provide relevant clinical coding information.

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NICE and NHS Digital Information Representation Services work collaboratively to ensure the most appropriate SNOMED CT, OPCS-4 and ICD codes are provided.

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