

HTG143 – Therapeutic percutaneous image guided aspiration spinal cysts

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Procedure and device:

SNOMED CT preferred term (concept ID)

SNOMED CT code assignment will depend on the imaging method used, for example: CT guided therapeutic percutaneous aspiration of spinal cyst (854871000000103) MRI guided therapeutic percutaneous aspiration of spinal cyst (854881000000101)

OPCS- 4 codes:

A48.2 Aspiration of lesion of spinal cord

Y53.- Approach to organ under image control

Or

Y68.- Other approach to organ under image control

Codes in category **Y53 Approach to organ under image control** and **Y68 Other approach to organ under image control** are used as additional codes for any procedure that uses image control that may or may not be performed via percutaneous approach.

When a procedure has been performed using image control and the code that classifies the procedure **does not** state the type of image control used, then a code from these categories **must be** assigned. If the specific method of image control is not stated, the fourth-character **.9** must be assigned.

Diagnosis or health condition:

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Cyst of spinal meninges (193073001)

ICD-10 code(s):

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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