

HTG72 – Radiofrequency ablation for atrial fibrillation in association with other cardiac surgery

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Procedure and device:

SNOMED CT preferred term (concept ID)

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OPCS-4 code(s):

One of the following codes would be assigned:

K52.1 Open ablation of atrioventricular node

Or

K52.8 Other specified open operations on conducting system of heart

The following codes would be assigned in addition to one of the above codes:

Y11.4 Radiofrequency controlled thermal destruction of organ NOC

Includes: Radiofrequency ablation of organ NOC

Y73.1 Cardiopulmonary bypass

If code **K52.8** is chosen, the site code **Z33.6 Atrium of heart** is also assigned

Note: Codes are for patients undergoing concomitant open-heart surgery.

Diagnosis or health condition:

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ICD-10 code(s):

I48.0 Paroxysmal atrial fibrillation

Or

I48.1 Persistent atrial fibrillation

Or

I48.2 Chronic atrial fibrillation

Or

I48.9 Atrial fibrillation and flutter, unspecified

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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