

IPG168 - Percutaneous radiofrequency ablation for atrial fibrillation

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Procedure and device:

SNOMED CT preferred term (concept ID)

Fluoroscopy guided percutaneous radiofrequency catheter ablation for arrhythmia (822241000000101)

OPCS-4 code(s):

K57.4 Percutaneous transluminal ablation of accessory pathway
K62.1 Percutaneous transluminal ablation of pulmonary vein to left atrium conducting system
K62.2 Percutaneous transluminal ablation of atrial wall for atrial flutter
K62.3 Percutaneous transluminal ablation of conducting system of heart for atrial flutter NEC

Note: In addition to one of the above codes, the following code is assigned in addition:

Y11.4 Radiofrequency controlled thermal destruction of organ NOC

Note: The OPCS-4 code **Y53.4 Approach to organ under fluoroscopic control** is assigned in addition if fluoroscopic guidance is used.

Note: If codes **K57.4** or **K62.3** are chosen, the site code **Z33.6 Atrium of heart** is assigned following **Y11.4**, or following **Y53.4** if fluoroscopic control is used.

Diagnosis or health condition:

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Atrial fibrillation (49436004)

ICD-10 code(s):

I48.- Atrial fibrillation and flutter

Clinical coding recommendations for NICE guidance

For each published interventional procedure and medical technologies guidance, we work with the Health and Social Care Information Centre (HSCIC) to provide relevant clinical coding information.

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