

IPG557 – Endovenous mechanochemical ablation for varicose veins

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Procedure and device:

SNOMED CT preferred term (concept ID)

Endovenous mechanochemical ablation of varicose vein of lower limb (1052281000000107)

OPCS-4 code(s):

L86.1 Injection of sclerosing substance into varicose vein of leg NEC

L88.8 Other specified other operations on varicose vein of leg

Y53.2 Approach to organ under ultrasonic control

Chapter 'Z' site code to identify vein:

Z39.5 Saphenous vein NEC

or

Z98.5 Long saphenous vein

or

Z98.6 Short saphenous vein

Note: that code **L86.2 Ultrasound guided foam sclerotherapy for varicose vein of leg** is also available in OPCS-4 and if used would only require the chapter Z site code in addition.

Diagnosis or health condition:

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Varicose veins of lower extremity (72866009)

ICD-10 code(s):

I83.0 Varicose veins of lower extremities with ulcer

I83.1 Varicose veins of lower extremities with inflammation

I83.2 Varicose veins of lower extremities with both ulcer and inflammation

I83.9 Varicose veins of lower extremities without ulcer or inflammation

O22.0 Varicose veins of lower extremity in pregnancy

Clinical coding recommendations for NICE guidance

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