
Documentation Dissection

Exercise #3

Preoperative Diagnosis: Undesired fertility

Postoperative Diagnosis: Undesired fertility ^[1]

Operation: Laparoscopic-guided bilateral tubal fulguration ^[2]

Anesthesia: General

Estimated Blood Loss: Negligible

Procedure: The patient was brought to the operating suite in the supine position. General anesthesia was administered. The patient was then placed in the dorsal lithotomy position and the vagina, perineum and abdomen were prepped and draped in the usual sterile fashion. A sponge stick was placed vaginally. An infraumbilical incision was made and a non-bladed trocar and sheath were placed. Proper placement was confirmed with insufflation performed ^[3]. A suprapubic incision was then made and the suprapubic trocar and sheath were placed under direct visualization. Findings were made as noted above and the right tube was ligated with the Falope ring, and then the left ^[4]. Pictures were taken to document proper placement.

All instruments were removed and gas was allowed to escape. The sheaths were removed. Marcaine with epinephrine were placed again at the incision sites and they were closed with Monocryl in a subcuticular manner.

The patient was returned to the supine position, awakened and transferred from the table to the cart and on to the post anesthesia recovery room in stable condition.

^[1] Diagnosis is undesired infertility.

^[2] Planned procedure is laparoscopic-guided tubal fulguration.

^[3] Confirms the use of a laparoscope.

^[4] Identifies occlusion of both fallopian tubes using a Falope ring.

What are the CPT® and ICD-10-CM codes reported?

CPT® Code: 58671

ICD-10-CM Code: Z30.2

CPT®: For the selection of a tubal ligation code, the determination is made by the method used – by fulguration or by use of a device. The operative note documents the placement of Falope rings on the right and left fallopian tubes with the assistance of a laparoscope. A Falope ring is a small silastic ring-shaped band that is placed around the loop of a fallopian tube for tubal ligation.

In the CPT Index, locate Fallopian Tube/Occlusion/by Device, which refers to 58671. A review of the code confirms it is the correct code for surgical laparoscopy with occlusion of oviducts by device (eg, band, clip, or Falope ring)

ICD-10-CM: A tubal ligation is a means of contraception by sterilization. In the ICD-10-CM Alphabetic Index, locate Contraception/sterilization, which refers to Z30.2. The Tabular List confirms Z30.2 is used for an encounter for sterilization.
