
Documentation Dissection

PREOPERATIVE DIAGNOSIS(ES):

1. Right lower extremity deep vein thrombosis.
2. Bilateral pulmonary emboli.
3. Contraindication for anticoagulation.

POSTOPERATIVE DIAGNOSIS(ES): Same ^[1].

OPERATION(S):

1. Placement of inferior vena cava filter via right internal jugular vein ^[2].
2. Inferior vena cavogram ^[2].

PROCEDURE(S): Support lines were placed. IV sedation was achieved. Prepping and draping were performed in sterile fashion using DuraPrep. Lidocaine was used to anesthetize the right neck. Right internal jugular vein was accessed percutaneously with needle, followed by guidewire under fluoroscopic guidance. Cook 6-French sheath was placed over the guidewire into the inferior vena cava ^[3].

Inferior vena cavogram was performed. There were no deep vein thromboses in the inferior vena cava. Renal veins were identified at the L2 level ^[4].

Trapeze IVC filter was placed through the sheath into the inferior vena cava at the L3 level, just caudal to the renal veins with good positioning ^[5]. Sheath was removed from the right neck. Pressure would be held x 5 minutes ^[6]. Patient would be awakened and transported to the recovery room and a chest radiograph will be obtained.

^[1] Postoperative diagnosis are noted to be the same.

^[2] The planned operative procedures are provided, with the location.

^[3] Percutaneous Access to the procedure site is detailed.

^[4] Cavogram is the radiological portion of the procedure.

^[5] The device was deployed to the site.

^[6] No special closure is noted.

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

CPT® Code: 37191

ICD-10-CM Codes: I82.401, I26.99

Rationales:

CPT®: Look in CPT® Index for Insertion/Filter/ Vena Cava leading to 37191. Alternately, look in CPT® Index for Vena Cava/ Insertion leading to 37191. 37191, Insertion of intravascular vena cava filter, endovascular approach including vascular access, vessel selection, and radiological supervision and interpretation, intraprocedural roadmapping, and imaging guidance (ultrasound and fluoroscopy), when performed. Verify in the listing.

ICD-10-CM: Look in ICD-10-CM Alphabetic Index for Thrombosis/vein/lower extremity. Documentation does not have additional specificity for a site, with the next term is Deep. This leads I82.40-. Verify in the Tabular List and this shows a 6th

character is needed with 1 used for the right side. I82.401, Acute embolism and thrombosis of unspecified deep veins of right lower extremity is correct.

Look in ICD-10-CM Alphabetic Index for Embolism/Pulmonary (acute) (artery) (vein) which leads to I26.99. There are additional listings for other qualifying terms like “cor pulmonale” however we do not have more specific information to code this condition. Verify in the Tabular List and I26.99, Other pulmonary embolism without acute cor pulmonale is correct.
