



Western Australian Coding Rule

0316/05 Total lymphocyte irradiation

Q.

What procedure code should be assigned for total lymphocyte irradiation?

A.

Total lymphocyte or lymphoid irradiation (TLI) is a method of inducing a strong immunosuppressive effect in patients undergoing bone marrow transplants, treatment of certain lymphomas or other therapies requiring immunosuppression. TLI involves exposing all lymph nodes, the thymus and the spleen to low dose radiation.

Clinical advice suggests that the best procedure code to assign for total lymphocyte irradiation is 15600-03 [1789] *Total body irradiation*.

DECISION

Assign 15600-03 [1789] *Total body Irradiation* for total lymphocyte irradiation.

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