

Surgery Codes

Lymph Nodes C770–C779

Codes

A000 None; no surgery of primary site; autopsy ONLY

A190 Local tumor destruction or excision, NOS

Unknown whether a specimen was sent to pathology for surgical events coded to A190 (principally for cases diagnosed prior to January 1, 2003)

A150 Local tumor destruction, NOS

No specimen sent to pathology from surgical event A150

A250 Local tumor excision, NOS

Less than a full chain, includes an excisional biopsy of a single lymph node

[**SEER Note:** The use of code A250 in *Surgery of Primary Site 2023* [NAACCR #1291] is for a primary in one and only one lymph node. The single involved lymph node is removed by an excisional biopsy only. CDC-NPCR, CoC, and SEER are in agreement on the wording of code A250.]

A300 Lymph node dissection, NOS

A310 One chain

A320 Two or more chains

A400 Lymph node dissection, NOS PLUS splenectomy

A410 One chain

A420 Two or more chains

A500 Lymph node dissection, NOS and partial/total removal of adjacent organ(s)

A510 One chain

A520 Two or more chains

A600 Lymph node dissection, NOS and partial/total removal of adjacent organ(s) PLUS splenectomy
(Includes staging laparotomy for lymphoma)

A610 One chain

A620 Two or more chains

Specimen sent to pathology for surgical events A250-A620

A900 Surgery, NOS

A990 Unknown if surgery performed; death certificate ONLY