Surgery Codes

Colon
C180–C189

**Code** removal/surgical ablation of single or multiple liver metastases under the data item *Surgical Procedure of Other Site* (NAACCR #1294).

[**SEER Note:** Do not code a colostomy, with no colon tissue removed, as surgery. If colostomy is the only procedure performed, assign surgery code A000.]

[**SEER Note:** Code *Circumferential Resection Margin (CRM)* (NAACCR #3823) when assigning surgery codes A300-A800. *CRM is not applicable for other surgery codes for this site.*]

**Codes**

A000 None; no surgery of primary site; autopsy ONLY

A100 Local tumor destruction, NOS
   A120 Electrocautery; fulguration (includes use of hot forceps for tumor destruction)
   **No specimen sent to pathology from surgical events A100 and A120**

A200 Local tumor excision, NOS
   A260 Polypectomy, NOS
   A270 Excisional biopsy
   A280 Polypectomy-endoscopic
   A290 Polypectomy-surgical excision

   **Any combination of A200, A260, A270, A280, or A290 WITH**
   A220 Electrocautery

[**SEER Note:** Code A220 above combines A200 Local tumor excision, NOS, A260 Polypectomy, NOS, A270 Excisional biopsy, A280 Polypectomy-endoscopic, or A290 Polypectomy-surgical excision WITH A220 Electrocautery.]

A300 Partial colectomy, segmental resection
   A320 Plus resection of contiguous organ; example: small bowel, bladder

[**SEER Note:** Code A300 includes but is not limited to the following procedures: Appendectomy (for an appendix primary only), enterocolectomy, ileocolectomy, partial colectomy, NOS, partial resection of transverse colon and flexures, and segmental resection (such as cecectomy or sigmoidectomy). Note that the removal of a short portion of the distal ileum is not “removal of a contiguous organ.”]

A400 Subtotal colectomy/hemicolectomy (total right or left colon and a portion of transverse colon)
   A410 Plus resection of contiguous organ; example: small bowel, bladder

[**SEER Note:** Code A400 includes extended (but less than total) right or left colectomy. Note that the removal of a short portion of the distal ileum is not “removal of a contiguous organ.”]

A500 Total colectomy (removal of colon from cecum to the rectosigmoid junction; may include a portion of the rectum)
   A510 Plus resection of contiguous organ; example: small bowel, bladder
[SEER Note: Removal of a short portion of the distal ileum is not “removal of a contiguous organ.”]

A600 Total proctocolectomy (removal of colon from cecum to the rectosigmoid junction, including the entire rectum)
[SEER Note: Commonly used for familial polyposis or polyposis coli.]
   A610 Plus resection of contiguous organ; example: small bowel, bladder
[SEER Note: Removal of a short portion of the distal ileum is not “removal of a contiguous organ.”]

A700 Colectomy or coloproctotectomy with resection of contiguous organ(s), NOS (where there is not enough information to code A320, A410, A510, or A610)
   **Code A700 includes:** Any colectomy (partial, hemicolectomy, or total) WITH a resection of any other organs in continuity with the primary site. Other organs may be partially or totally removed. Other organs may include, but are not limited to, oophorectomy, partial proctectomy, rectal mucosectomy, or pelvic exenteration.
[SEER Note: “In continuity with” or “en bloc” means that all of the tissues were removed during the same procedure, but not necessarily in a single specimen.]

A800 Colectomy, NOS

**Specimen sent to pathology from surgical events A200-A800**

A900 Surgery, NOS

A990 Unknown if surgery performed; death certificate ONLY