Appendix C: Surgery Codes

Surgery Codes

All Other Sites

Codes

A000 None; no surgery of primary site; autopsy ONLY

A100 Local tumor destruction, NOS
   A110 Photodynamic therapy (PDT)
   A120 Electrocautery; fulguration (includes use of hot forceps for tumor destruction)
   A130 Cryosurgery
   A140 Laser
      [SEER Note: Assign code A140 for laser hyperthermia of eye for retinoblastoma.]
   No specimen sent to pathology from surgical events A100–A140

A200 Local tumor excision, NOS
   A260 Polypectomy
   A270 Excisional biopsy

   Any combination of A200, A260, or A270 WITH
      A210 Photodynamic therapy (PDT)
      A220 Electrocautery
      A230 Cryosurgery
      A240 Laser ablation
      A250 Laser excision

A300 Simple/partial surgical removal of primary site

A400 Total surgical removal of primary site; enucleation
   A410 Total enucleation (for eye surgery only)

A500 Surgery stated to be “debulking”

A600 Radical surgery
   Partial or total removal of the primary site WITH a resection in continuity (partial or total removal) with other organs
      [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.]

Specimen sent to pathology from surgical events A200-A600

A900 Surgery, NOS
A990 Unknown if surgery performed; death certificate ONLY