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### QUESTION 1

An elderly patient comes into the emergency department (ED) with shortness of breath. An ECG is performed. The final diagnosis at discharge is impending myocardial infarction.

According to ICD-10-CM guidelines, how is this reported?

- A. I20.0
- B. R06.02
- C. I20.0, R06.02
- D. I21.3, R06.02

Correct Answer: B

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### QUESTION 2

Which statement regarding lesion excision is TRUE?

- A. Lesion excision codes include removal of a lesion, with margins, and simple (nonlayered) closure when performed
- B. Lesion excision codes are selected by measuring the greatest clinical diameter of a lesion excluding the margins required to complete the excision
- C. Lesion excision codes include removal of a lesion, with margins, and intermediate closure when performed
- D. Lesion excision codes include removal of a lesion with margins, and complex closure when performed

Correct Answer: A

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### QUESTION 3

An 8-day old newborn, weighing 3 kilograms, is seen for a circumcision. The infant is placed on a restraining board and a dorsal penile block is given as the anesthetic. A dorsal slit is made at the top of the penis, the Gomco circumcision clamp is applied, and the foreskin was excised with a scalpel.

What CPT coding is reported?

- A. 54610
- B. 54150
- C. 54160-63
- D. 54150-52-63

Correct Answer: B

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#### QUESTION 4

A 55-year-old patient was recently diagnosed with an enlarged goiter. It has been two years since her last visit to the endocrinologist. A new doctor in the exact same specialty group will be examining her. The physician performs a medically appropriate history and exam. The provider reviewed the TSH results and ultrasound. The provider orders a fine needle aspiration biopsy which is a minor procedure.

What E/M code is reported?

- A. 99202
- B. 99214
- C. 99205
- D. 99213

Correct Answer: B

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#### QUESTION 5

An emergency department (ED) physician performs an immediate tracheostomy on a 1-year-old that has severe head and neck trauma that is obstructing her breathing.

Which CPT?code is reported?

- A. 31603
- B. 31500
- C. 31601
- D. 31600

Correct Answer: D

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#### QUESTION 6

A patient who has endometriosis is having a supracervical hysterectomy. Under general anesthesia, a 12 mm incision is made in the infraumbilical folds and the Veress needle is introduced into the abdominal cavity. The abdomen is inflated with carbon dioxide gas and a 12 mm scope is introduced into the abdomen and placement is confirmed. The uterus was dissected free from the bladder and surrounding tissues. Both ovaries and both fallopian tubes are removed. The abdominal cavity is deflated and instruments removed. The incision is closed in two layers. The uterus weighed 250 grams.

What procedure code is reported for this hysterectomy?

- A. 58180
- B. 58542
- C. 58570

D. 58291

Correct Answer: C

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### QUESTION 7

The documentation states:

He was then sterilely prepped and draped along the flank and abdomen in the usual sterile fashion. I first made a skin incision off the tip of the twelfth rib, extending medially along the banger's lines of the skin. This was approximately 3.5 cm

in length. Once this incision was carried sharply, electrocautery was used to gain access through the external oblique, internal oblique, and transverse abdominis musculature and fascia.

What surgical approach was used for this procedure?

- A. Percutaneous
- B. Laparoscopic
- C. Cannot determine based on the documentation
- D. Open

Correct Answer: D

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### QUESTION 8

A 67-year-old male presents with DJD and spondylolisthesis at L4-L5. The patient is placed prone on the operating table and, after induction of general anesthesia, the lower back is sterilely prepped and draped. One incision was made over L1-L5. This was confirmed with a probe under fluoroscopy. Laminectomies are done at vertebral segments L4 and L5 with facetectomies to relieve pressure to the nerve roots. Allograft was packed in the gutters from L1-L5 for a posterior arthrodesis. Pedicle screws were placed at L2, L3, and L4. The construct was copiously irrigated and muscle, fascia and skin were closed in layers.

Select the procedure codes for this scenario.

- A. 63005 x 2, 22612, 22614 x 3, 22842
- B. 63042, 63043, 22808, 22841 x 3
- C. 63047, 63048, 22612, 22614 x 3, 22842
- D. 63017, 63048, 22612, 22808, 22842 x 3

Correct Answer: C

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### QUESTION 9

A mother expressed concern about the hearing of her 4-year-old. The provider performed a hearing screening with the

child wearing headphones to listen to a series of tones. The child is instructed to raise either hand when a tone is heard.

What CPT?code is reported?

- A. 92552
- B. 92551
- C. 92550
- D. 92553

Correct Answer: B

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#### QUESTION 10

An orthopedic surgeon performs tenolysis releasing the extensor tendon of the finger from adhesions. The surgery extends from the finger to the forearm.

What CPT?code is reported?

- A. 26445
- B. 26449
- C. 26455
- D. 26460

Correct Answer: B

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#### QUESTION 11

A patient presents with recurrent spontaneous episodes of dizziness of unclear etiology. Caloric vestibular testing is performed irrigating both ears with warm and cold water while evaluating the patient's eye movements. There is a total of three irrigations.

What CPT?coding is reported?

- A. 92537-52
- B. 92537-50-52
- C. 92538-50
- D. 92537-50

Correct Answer: A

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#### QUESTION 12

In rhinoplasty:

- A. The nose is reconstructed
- B. The brow is reconstructed
- C. The lips are reconstructed
- D. The chin is reconstructed

Correct Answer: A

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### QUESTION 13

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Operative Report

Preoperative Diagnosis: Chronic otitis media in the right ear

Postoperative Diagnosis: Chronic otitis media in the right ear

Procedure: Eustachian tube inflation

Anesthesia: General

Blood Loss: Minimal

Findings: Serous mucoid fluid

Complications: None

Indications: The patient is a 2-year-old who presented to the office with chronic otitis media refractory to medical management. The treatment will be eustachian tube inflation to remove the fluid. Risks, benefits, and alternatives were reviewed

with the family, which include general anesthetic, bleeding, infection, tympanic membrane perforation, routine tubes, and need for additional surgery. The family understood these risks and signed the appropriate consent form.

Procedure in Detail: After the patient was properly identified, he was brought into the operating room and placed supine. The patient was prepped and draped in the usual fashion. General anesthesia was administered via inhalation mask,

and after adequate sedation was achieved, a medium-sized speculum was placed in the right ear and cerumen was removed atraumatically using instrument with operative microscope. The tube is dilated, an incision is made to the tympanum

and thick mucoid fluid was suctioned. The patient was awakened after having tolerated the procedure well and taken to the recovery room in stable condition.

What CPT coding is reported for this case?

- A. 69420-RT

B. 69436-RT

C. 69433-RT

D. 69421-RT

Correct Answer: D

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#### QUESTION 14

An interventional radiologist performs an abdominal paracentesis in his office utilizing ultrasonic imaging guidance to remove excess fluid. What CPT coding is reported?

A. 49082, 76942

B. 49083, 76942-26

C. 49083

D. 49082, 76942-26

Correct Answer: C

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#### QUESTION 15

The surgeon performs Roux-en-Y anastomosis of the extrahepatic biliary duct to the gastrointestinal tract on a 45-year-old patient.

What CPT code is reported?

A. 47785

B. 47780

C. 47740

D. 47760

Correct Answer: B

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