

NELA HES Algorithm – OPCS Codes

The following OPCS codes indicate procedures **potentially valid** as an emergency laparotomy if they are the OPCS code for the first emergency operative procedure during the admission.

| G01 | EXCISION OF OESOPHAGUS AND STOMACH | |
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| G27 | TOTAL EXCISION OF STOMACH | 1 |
| G28 | PARTIAL EXCISION OF STOMACH | 1 |
| G29 | OPEN EXTIRPATION OF LESION OF STOMACH | 1 |
| G31 | CONNECTION OF STOMACH TO DUODENUM | |
| G32 | CONNECTION OF STOMACH TO TRANSPOSED JEJUNUM | |
| G33 | OTHER CONNECTION OF STOMACH TO JEJUNUM | |
| G35 | OPERATIONS ON ULCER OF STOMACH | 1 |
| G36 | OTHER REPAIR OF STOMACH | 1 |
| G38 | OTHER OPEN OPERATIONS ON STOMACH | 1 |
| G49 | EXCISION OF DUODENUM | 1 |
| G51 | BYPASS OF DUODENUM | |
| G52 | OPERATIONS ON ULCER OF DUODENUM | 1 |
| G53 | OTHER OPEN OPERATIONS ON DUODENUM | |
| G532 | CLOSURE OF PERFORATION OF DUODENUM NEC | 1 |
| G58 | EXCISION OF JEJUNUM | 1 |
| G61 | BYPASS OF JEJUNUM | |
| G63 | OTHER OPEN OPERATIONS ON JEJUNUM | |
| G633 | CLOSURE OF PERFORATION OF JEJUNUM | 1 |
| G69 | EXCISION OF ILEUM | 1 |
| G70 | OPEN EXTIRPATION OF LESION OF ILEUM | |
| G71 | BYPASS OF ILEUM | |
| G72 | OTHER CONNECTION OF ILEUM | |
| G73 | ATTENTION TO CONNECTION OF ILEUM | |
| G74 | CREATION OF ARTIFICIAL OPENING INTO ILEUM | 2 |
| G75 | ATTENTION TO ARTIFICIAL OPENING INTO ILEUM | |
| G76 | INTRA-ABDOMINAL MANIPULATION OF ILEUM | |
| G78 | OTHER OPEN OPERATIONS ON ILEUM | |
| G784 | CLOSURE OF PERFORATION OF ILEUM | 1 |
| H04 | TOTAL EXCISION OF COLON AND RECTUM | 1 |
| H05 | TOTAL EXCISION OF COLON | 1 |
| H06 | EXTENDED EXCISION OF RIGHT HEMICOLON | 1 |
| H07 | OTHER EXCISION OF RIGHT HEMICOLON | 1 |
| H08 | EXCISION OF TRANSVERSE COLON | 1 |
| H09 | EXCISION OF LEFT HEMICOLON | 1 |
| H10 | EXCISION OF SIGMOID COLON | 1 |
| H11 | OTHER EXCISION OF COLON | 1 |
| H12 | EXTIRPATION OF LESION OF COLON | |
| H13 | BYPASS OF COLON | |
| H141 | TUBE CAECOSTOMY | 2 |
| H151 | LOOP COLOSTOMY | 2 |
| H152 | END COLOSTOMY | 2 |

| H16 | INCISION OF COLON | |
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| H17 | INTRA-ABDOMINAL MANIPULATION OF COLON | |
| H19 | OTHER OPEN OPERATIONS ON COLON | |
| H29 | SUBTOTAL EXCISION OF COLON | 1 |
| H33 | EXCISION OF RECTUM | 1 |
| H66 | THERAPEUTIC OPERATIONS ON ILEOANAL POUCH | 1 |
| L703 | LIGATION OF ARTERY NEC | |
| T28 | OTHER REPAIR OF ANTERIOR ABDOMINAL WALL | |
| T30 | OPENING OF ABDOMEN | |
| T34 | OPEN DRAINAGE OF PERITONEUM | |
| T36 | OPERATIONS ON OMENTUM | |
| T41 | OTHER OPEN OPERATIONS ON PERITONEUM | 3 |
| T42 | THERAPEUTIC ENDOSCOPIC OPERATIONS ON PERITONEUM | |
| T423 | ENDOSCOPIC DIVISION OF ADHESIONS OF PERITONEUM | 3 |
| T463 | IRRIGATION OF PERITONEAL CAVITY | |

Key

- 1. The these procedures occur as part of a repair of any type of hernia; the hernia repair meets the inclusion criteria (NB they are also eligible as procedures in their own right)
- 2. This procedure meets the inclusion criteria for stoma formation if the procedure was not laparoscopic (Y75 procedures) if associated with obstruction (including volvulus, adhesions, malignancy), peritonitis, diverticulitis or fistulae
- 3. If this procedure (freeing of adhesions) occurs as part of a repair of an incisional hernia, it meets the inclusion criteria.

The following codes are not considered to be an emergency laparotomy if performed as a follow-up to an initial procedure that was ineligible

- T36 Operations on omentum eg omentectomy, biopsy of lesion of omentum
- T411 Other open operations on peritoneum: Open biopsy of lesion of peritoneum NEC
- T418 Other open operations on peritoneum: Other specified
- T419 Other open operations on peritoneum: Unspecified

Not all of these procedures are considered eligible for NELA (see Inclusion/Exclusion criteria)

Any procedure is considered **ineligible** if the main diagnosis code (what becomes diag_01 in HES) for the episode of care is classified under one of the following groups of ICD-10 codes (see page 4):

- Ascites
- Ineligible Cancer in an elective admission only
- Obs & Gynae

(Previously eligible if the first procedure involved resection/incision of the bowel)

- AAA/Aortic dissection
- Liver conditions
- Male
- Pancreatic disease
- Renal disease
- Trauma

(Previously eligible as a re-operation to an ineligible procedure)

Or it is one of the OPCS listed below when performed under the following treating speciality codes: 501 (Obstetrics), 502 (Gynaecology), 503 (Gynaecological oncology):

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The HES admission method is used to classify whether a procedure is emergency or elective.

Ineligible ICD-10 codes

Ascites: R18

Ineligible Cancer: C21 - C25, C261, C51 - C55, C57, C60 - C62, C64 - C68, D30, D41, D73

Obs & Gynae: Relevant ICD-10 codes beginning with N; Any ICD-10 code beginning with O

AAA/Aortic dissection: 171, 172, 1790

Liver conditions: K70 - K77, R16 - R17

Male: N40 - N51

Pancreatic disease: K85, K86

Renal disease: N00 – N39, N990, N991, N995, N998, N999

Trauma: Any ICD-10 code beginning with S except S31, S35, S36