



# Western Australian Coding Rule

## **0722/02 Trapeziectomy with abductor pollicis longus (APL) suspensionplasty**

In Twelfth Edition an ACHI Alphabetic Index entry has been created for trapeziectomy with abductor pollicis longus suspensionplasty, and Q3467 *Trapeziectomy with abductor pollicis longus (APL) suspensionplasty* has been retired.

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## **0320/06 Trapeziectomy with abductor pollicis longus (APL) suspensionplasty**

WA Coding Rule 1218/02 *Trapeziectomy and abductor pollicis longus (APL) suspensionplasty* is superseded by ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Coding Rule ***Trapeziectomy with abductor pollicis longus (APL) suspensionplasty*** (Ref No: Q3467) effective 1 April 2020; (log in to view on the [IHPA Australian Classification Exchange](#)).

RETIRED



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## 1218/02 Trapeziectomy and abductor pollicis longus (APL) suspensionplasty

**Q.**

What code/s should be assigned for trapeziectomy and abductor pollicis longus (APL) suspensionplasty?

**A.**

There are several operative procedures for treating patients with thumb carpometacarpal (CMC) joint arthritis. These include simple excision of the trapezium; ligament reconstruction and tendon interposition (LRTI) arthroplasty of the joint; suspension arthroplasty using part of the flexor carpi radialis (FCR) tendon, abductor pollicis longus (APL) tendon, extensor carpi radialis longus (ECRL) tendon, or a suture button; and trapezium prosthesis replacement.

Trapeziectomy, formation of a tendon sling/suspensionplasty, and filling of burr holes with bone are not specifically indexed in ACHI; however they are components of the procedure: 46324-00 [1468] *Arthroplasty of carpal bone*.

### Index pathway

Transfer, tendon, hand, with arthroplasty, carpal bone, 46324-00 [1468]

### Tabular List 46324-00 [1468] Arthroplasty of carpal bone

Inclusion terms (not exhaustive):

Replacement of carpal bone using adjacent tendon or other soft tissue (*this would be for a interpositional arthroplasty of carpal bone; suspensionplasty produces the same result*)

Resection arthroplasty of carpal bone (*e.g. trapeziectomy*)

Includes notes:

synovectomy

tendon transfer or realignment (*e.g. formation of a tendon sling*)

### DECISION

**This query will be submitted to the ACCD. In the meantime, assign 46324-00 [1468] *Arthroplasty of carpal bone* for trapeziectomy and abductor pollicis longus suspensionplasty.**

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