CPT® code 96372: Injection of drug/substance under skin or into muscle

Overview

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Typical patient description

A 70-year-old female diagnosed with pneumonia receives an intramuscular injection of antibiotic (e.g., ceftriaxone).

Care components

Therapeutic, prophylactic or diagnostic injection (specify substance or drug); subcutaneous or intramuscular.
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