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Coding Talk...

To Code or Not To Code

*Depth of Incisional Infected Site
Following a Surgical Procedure T81.4X*

Physician/MLP Reminder:

Documentation of the depth of the infection at the incisional surgical site:

Please specify the depth as:

- Superficial *i.e. subcutaneous abscess, stitch abscess*
- Deep *i.e. intra-muscular abscess*
Or
- Extension to the organ and space *i.e. intra-abdominal abscess, subphrenic abscess*

