



Provider Checklist-Outpatient -Imaging

Checklist: Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Hip (CPT Code: 73721, 73722, 73723)

All Indications [***One has to be present**]

***Chronic monarticular joint pain [All have to be present]**

Symptoms at hip [**One has to be present**]

Joint pain
Locking
Giving way by Hx

Findings at hip [**Two have to be present**]

Pain with passive ROM
Limited ROM
Weakness of abductors/hip flexors

Hip x-ray nondiagnostic for etiology of pain
Continued Sx/findings after Rx [**Both have to be present**]

NSAID [**One has to be present**]

-1 Rx \geq 4 wks
-2 Contraindicated/not tolerated

PT \geq 6 wks

***Suspected intra-articular loose body [All have to be present]**

Symptoms at hip [**One has to be present**]

211 Joint pain
212 Locking
213 Giving way by Hx

Findings at hip [**Two have to be present**]

221 Pain with passive ROM
222 Limited ROM

223 Clicking

Hip x-ray nondiagnostic for loose body

*Suspected nondisplaced femoral neck fracture [All have to be present]

Hip pain

Hip pain increased by weight bearing/passive ROM

Hip x-ray nondiagnostic for fracture

*Suspected avascular necrosis (osteonecrosis), femoral head [**All have to be present**]

Hip pain

Pain with passive ROM

Hip x-ray nondiagnostic for avascular necrosis

Continued pain after Rx [**Both have to be present**]

NSAID [**One has to be present**]

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-2 Contraindicated/not tolerated

PT \geq 6 wks

*Suspected osteomyelitis [**Both have to be present**]

Findings [**One has to be present**]

ESR > 30 mm/hr

Temperature > 100.4 F(38.0 C)

WBC > 10,000/cu.mm (10x10⁹/L)

Blood culture positive

C-reactive protein > 10 mg/L

Hip x-ray nondiagnostic for osteomyelitis