



**Provider Checklist- Pain Management
Checklist: Shoulder
(CPT codes: 20550-20553, 20610, 64418)**

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

Considered for Shoulder Joint Injection

Considered for Suprascapular Nerve block(all have to be present)

- Suprascapular Neuralgia- point tenderness and referred apin with palpation of suprascapular nerve over the scapula
- Pain with ROM at shoulder

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

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

Joint pain
Locking

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

Pain with passive ROM
Limited ROM
Tenderness
Crepitus

Shoulder 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

OT/PT \geq 6 wks

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

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

Joint pain
Locking

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

Pain with passive ROM
Limited ROM
Clicking

Shoulder x-ray nondiagnostic for loose body

*Suspected acute rotator cuff tear [**All have to be present**]

Traumatic event by Hx \leq 2 wks
Shoulder pain
Findings by PE [**All have to be present**]
Weakness of shoulder abduction
Passive ROM normal/passive ROM $>$ active ROM
Subacromial tenderness

Shoulder x-ray nondiagnostic for etiology of Sx/findings

*Suspected chronic rotator cuff tear/tendonitis [**All have to be present**]

Shoulder pain
Findings by PE [**All have to be present**]

Pain/weakness on resisted shoulder abduction/rotation
Passive ROM normal/passive ROM $>$ active ROM
Tenderness over rotator cuff

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

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

-1 Rx \geq 3 wks
-2 Contraindicated/not tolerated

OT/PT \geq 6 wks
Subacromial corticosteroid injection [**One has to be present**]

-1 Ineffective
-2 Contraindicated/not tolerated/refused

Activity modification \geq 6 wks

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

Shoulder pain
Pain with passive ROM
Shoulder x-ray nondiagnostic for avascular necrosis
Continued pain after Rx [**Both have to be present**]

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

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

OT/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

Shoulder x-ray nondiagnostic for osteomyelitis

*Suspected labral tear