

GERD EVIDENCE GUIDE

The evidence needed for service connection is not identical to the evidence needed for the rating.



WHAT TO DOCUMENT

DIGESTIVE CLAIM FILE

DIAGNOSIS	Clinical records Use gastroenterology notes, medication history, testing, and relevant diagnoses.	NEXUS	Medical rationale Connect the current condition to service or to a service-connected disability.
IMAGING	Barium swallow, CT, or EGD Current DC 7206 Note 1 requires an accepted method to document the rating findings.	PROCEDURE	Dilatation, stent, surgery, PEG Preserve dates, frequency, steroid use, results, complications, and follow-up.

