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Pulmonary embolism

Identifying and definitional attributes

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Definition: A blood clot that breaks off from the deep veins and travels round the circulation to

block the arteries in the lung (pulmonary arteries). Most deaths arising from deep

vein thrombosis are caused by pulmonary embolism (NICE 2015).

Source and reference attributes

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Reference documents: NICE (National Institute for Health and Care Excellence) 2015. Venous

thromboembolism: reducing the risk of venous thromboembolism (deep vein thrombosis and pulmonary embolism) in patients admitted to hospital. CG 92. London: NICE. Viewed 15 May 2018, https://www.nice.org.uk/Guidance/cg92.

Relational attributes

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