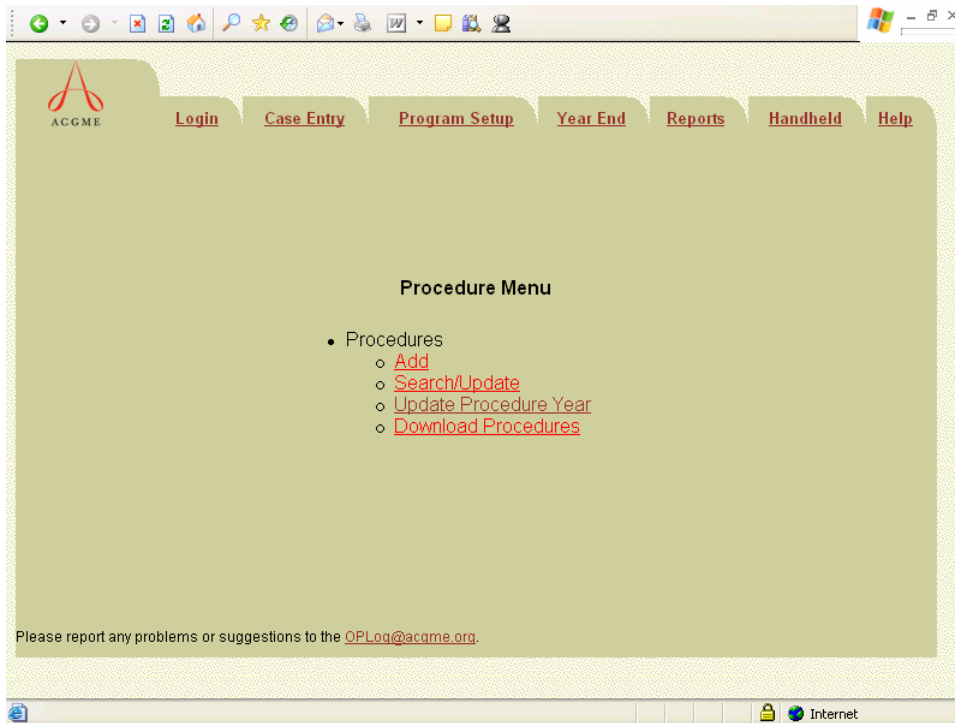


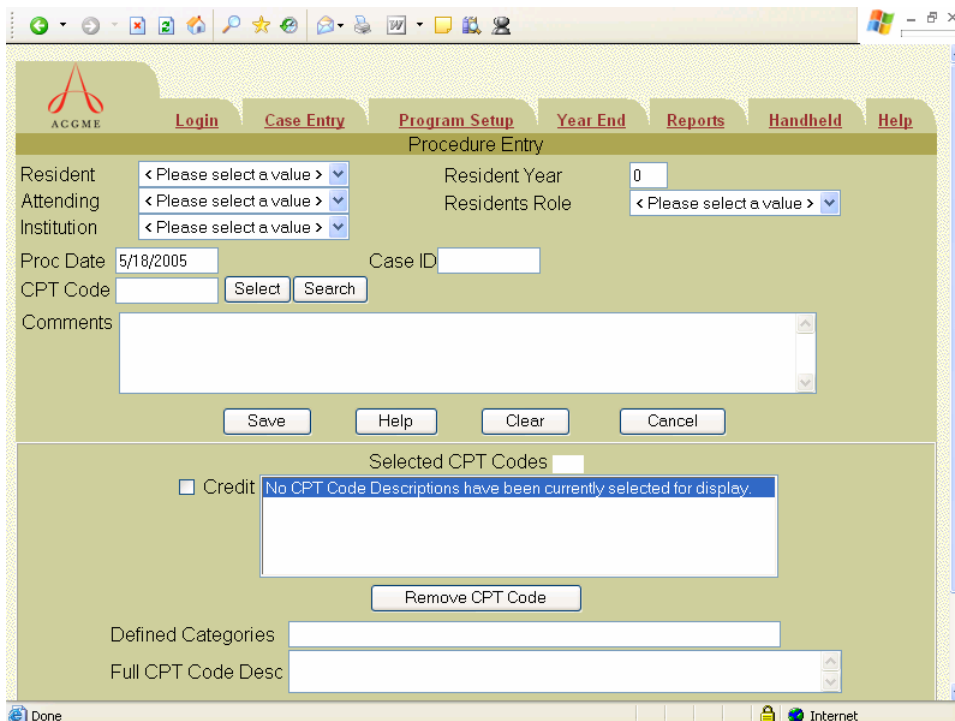
## CASE ENTRY FOR SURGERY – VASCULAR



Click on the Case Entry tab and the Procedures Menu will display. To add new procedures, click on the Add link.



After you click on the Add link, the Procedure Entry page will display. If you are a resident your name will automatically appear. If you are the administrator you will be able to choose the resident from the drop down list.



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## Fields

Resident:	Resident name is automatically entered based on your login. *
Attending:	Select the Attending Physician using the down arrow.
Institution:	Select the Institution where the procedure was performed using the down arrow.
Resident Year:	Enter your categorical year in the specialty (This is not your post-graduate year in training) at the time of the case/encounter. The year will default to the year entered on the resident setup screen by your program director or residency coordinator. For vascular fellows your year in program can be 1 or 2.
Resident Role:	Select Role using the down arrow. “ **  “Surgeon Fellow” should be selected when you had the substantial responsibility during the procedure;  “First Assistant” should be selected if you had a primarily assisting role with the attending as the surgeon;  “Teaching Assistant” should be selected if you were the senior resident who assisted a junior resident who took the credit for the procedure as surgeon.
Procedure Date:	Enter Date of procedure including / or – to separate month/day/year. Format mm/dd/yyyy.
Case Id:	Case Id is a 20-character field that is required. It can be used to search for specific procedures or tracking patients. It is also used to avoid making duplicate entries or credit.
CPT Code:	All CPT codes are in the system. The RRC reviews all codes and maps them to an area and type. Those codes that are not mapped to an area and type will fall under a category called unassigned.
Full CPT Desc.	This is the full CPT description. This field is populated by the database based on the CPT code you choose
Area:	The area is the broadest category of procedure/diagnosis the RRC is tracking
Type:	The type is the specific procedure/diagnosis that the RRC is tracking
Comment:	This can be notes about the patient and/or procedure. This is not a mandatory field.

\* If you are logging in as the administrator, you can click on the drop down box and choose the resident you are entering cases for.

## Selecting a CPT code

For the procedure you are entering you will choose from the drop down list each of the following: attending, institution, and resident role. Then enter in the resident year (if incorrect), date of procedure and enter in a case ID.

If you are entering a case and you do not find the attending or Institution on your list you will need to contact your program director or coordinator to have them added to the list.

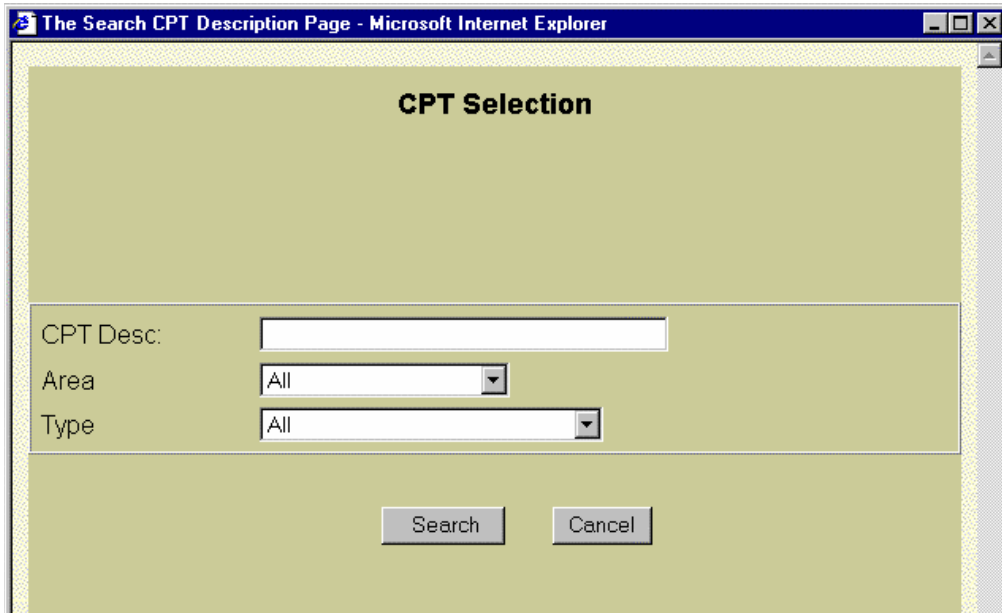
If you know the appropriate CPT code(s), in the CPT code field type the CPT code and click on the Select Button. The system will always move the CPT code from the field leaving it blank and displaying it in the Selected CPT Codes List. In the pictured example, CPT code 35021 was entered. If the CPT code is valid it will automatically be placed in the Selected CPT Codes list.

The screenshot shows a web-based form titled "Procedure Entry" from the AGGME system. The form includes several input fields: Resident (dropdown), Attending (dropdown), Institution (dropdown), Resident Year (text box with "0"), Residents Role (dropdown), Proc Date (text box with "5/18/2005"), Case ID (text box), CPT Code (text box), and Comments (text area). There are "Select" and "Search" buttons next to the CPT Code field. Below the form are "Save", "Help", "Clear", and "Cancel" buttons. A section titled "Selected CPT Codes 1" contains a checkbox for "Credit" and a list of selected codes. The first code, "35021 Direct repair of aneurysm, pseudoaneurysm, or excisio", is highlighted. A "Remove CPT Code" button is located below the list. At the bottom, there are fields for "Defined Categories" (Cerebrovascular / Complex), "Full CPT Code Desc" (Direct repair of aneurysm, pseudoaneurysm, or excision (partial or total) and graft insertion, with), "Area" (Cerebrovascular), and "RRC Procedure" (Direct Repair Aortic Arch Branches). The browser's address bar shows "Internet".

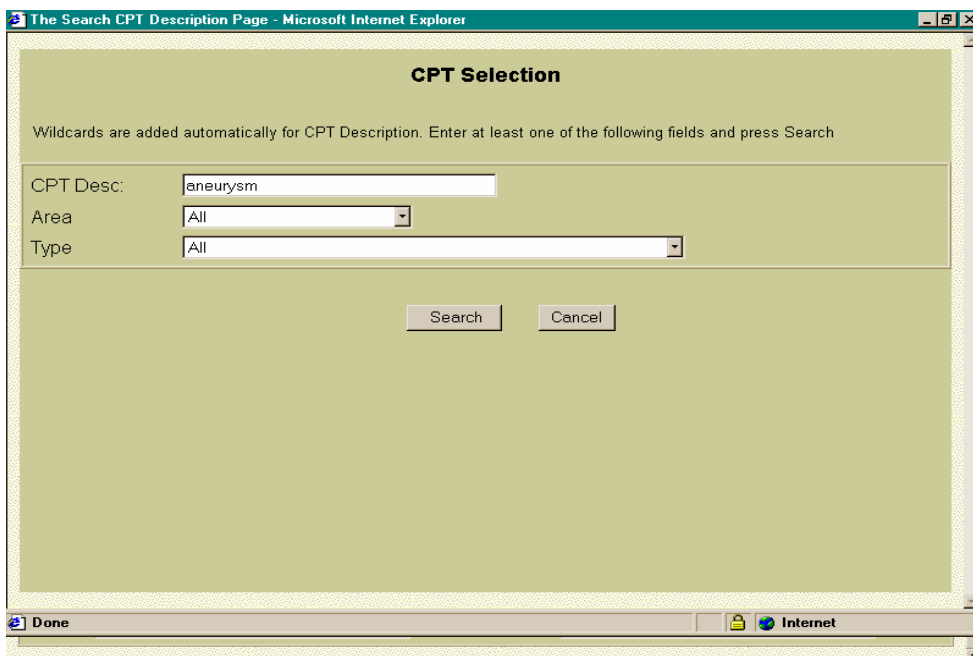
The selected CPT Codes list allows you to view the full CPT Code Description, Area and Type of the CPT code chosen. Click on a CPT code in the selected CPT Code list and the selection will be highlighted. This will then allow you to view the description, area and type for that CPT code. To remove the highlighted CPT code, click on the Remove CPT button.

## Searching for a CPT Code

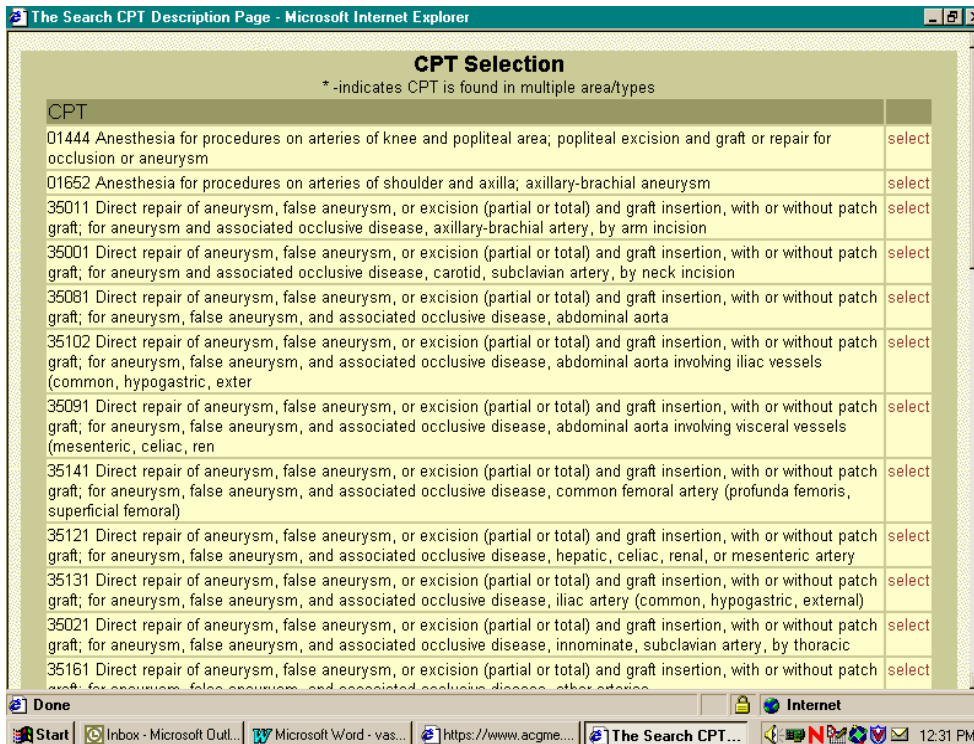
To search for a CPT, click on the “Search” button next to the CPT code field. The “CPT Selection” window will display:



CPT/ICD9 Selection allows the user to look for CPT/ICD9s in multiple ways. A user can search for a specific phrase or word in the description, or to see all of the CPT/ICD9 codes available, you can leave the CPT/ICD9 description blank and select “all” for the Area and Type. You may also select an Area and/or Type from the drop-down boxes. Below is an example of entering a word or phrase that exists in the description.



When “aneurysm” was entered and the “Search” button was clicked, The resulting list displayed all of the CPT descriptions containing the word “aneurysm” (see next page):



View the list and choose the CPT code that closely or exactly reflects the procedure or diagnosis done. To further assist in finding the correct code you can use the CTRL key and the F key on your keyboard which will bring up a find function. You could then enter in "carotid" and click on find next and the system will highlight the first instance it finds. Click on find next again and it will find the next instance of "carotid". Click on the select link and the CPT code is returned to the case/encounter entry screen and entered in the selected CPT Codes list.

**NOTE: You may enter more than one CPT code per patient however you are only able to claim one for credit.**

To assist with data entry, the attending, institution, year in program, resident's role, and procedure date have remained pre-filled from the previous entry. Change these fields as needed. When finished entering all of your procedure data, click on Save. To exit to the Procedure menu, click on the Cancel button.

## **CASE LOG SYSTEM Guidelines**

The RRC has re-affirmed that it will require every program to use the ACGME on line procedure logs for data collection beginning July 1, 2005. All patients should be entered with a CPT code(s), only one can be marked for credit. The system is HIPPA compliant, and there are business agreements in place between the covered entities and the sponsoring institution, which were created by the ACGME. As it now stands, there are many inconsistencies as to how data is collected in specialties not using the ACGME site, and this is a frequent cause of concern and subsequent citations. The ACGME data depository thus provides a mechanism that allows for training programs to comply with program requirements and provides a uniform mechanism to verify the clinical training of residents among programs. PDA software will be available for a \$25 user fee. Residents will be asked to sign a waiver at the initiation of data collection.