### §4.117 Schedule of ratings—hemic and lymphatic systems.

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### Anemia, hypochromic-microcytic and megaloblastic, such as iron-deficiency and pernicious anemia:

- Hemoglobin 10gm/100ml or less, asympomatic
- Pelvic pain or heavy or irregular bleeding not controlled by treatment
- Pelvic pain or heavy or irregular bleeding requiring continuous treatment for control

### Note

Diagnosis of endometriosis must be substantiated by laparoscopy.

### Agranulocytosis, acute:

- Requiring transfusion of platelets or red cells at least once every three months, or; infections recurring at least once every three months
- Requiring transfusion of platelets or red cells at least once per year but less than once every three months, or; infections recurring at least once per year but less than once every three months
- Requiring continuous medication for control

### Note

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### Leukemia:

- With active disease or during a treatment phase
- Otherwise rate as anemia (code 7700) or aplastic anemia (code 7716), whichever would result in the greater benefit

### Polycythemia vera:

- During periods of treatment with myelosuppressants and for three months following cessation of myelosuppressant therapy
- Requiring phlebotomy
- Stable, with or without continuous medication

### Spleen, injury of, healed:

- Spleenectomy

### Note

Rate complications such as systemic infections with encapsulated bacteria separately.

### Spleen, injury of, healed.

- Rate for any residuals.

### Hodgkin's disease:

- With active disease or during a treatment phase

### Note

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### The Skin

#### § 4.118 Schedule of ratings—skin.

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