



Government of **Western Australia**
Department of **Health**

Western Australian Coding Rule

0719/10 Long term use of aspirin

WA Coding Rule 0413/08 *Long term use of aspirin* is retired.

In ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Eleventh Edition (effective 1 July 2010) a new section *Family and personal history and certain conditions influencing health status (Z80-Z99)* was added to ACS 0002 *Additional diagnoses*.

DECISION

WA Coding Rule 0413/08 *Long term use of aspirin* is retired.

[Effective 1 Jul 2019, ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS 11th Ed.]



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0413/08 Long term use of aspirin

Q.

When is it appropriate to code Z92.21 *Personal history of long term (current) use of other medicaments, aspirin*?

A.

Australian Coding Standard (ACS) 0303 *Abnormal coagulation profile due to anticoagulants* does not cover the use of Z92.21 *Personal history of long term (current) use of other medicaments, aspirin* and should not be applied to the use of this code. There is no speciality standard which instructs on how to assign this code. Therefore, ACS 0002 *Additional diagnoses* should be applied and Z92.21 *Personal history of long term (current) use of other medicaments, aspirin* should only be assigned when it “affect(s) patient management in terms of requiring any of the following:

- Commencement, alteration or adjustment of therapeutic treatment
- Diagnostic procedures
- Increases clinical care or monitoring”

This code should not be assigned when aspirin is commenced in an admission, as the code title specifies ‘long term use’. Coders should exercise caution when assigning this code and not assign it for adjustment of aspirin in routine protocols i.e. surgical.

DECISION

Z92.21 *Personal history of long term (current) use of other medicaments, aspirin* should only be assigned when it meets the criteria in ACS 0002 *Additional diagnoses*.

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