



Western Australian Coding Rule

0725/62 Transitional cell carcinoma (TCC) of the kidney

Q.

Which site code is assigned for TCC of the kidney?

A.

Transitional cells, also known as urothelial cells, are a type of epithelial cell that lines most of the urinary tract (from the renal calyx to the proximal part of the urethra).

Because the only part of the kidney that contains transitional cells is the renal calyx, assign site code: *C65 Malignant neoplasm of renal pelvis* via Alphabetic Index:

Neoplasm

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- kidney

- - calyx C65

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- - pelvis C65

See also *Appendix A - Morphology of Neoplasms* in the ICD-10-AM Tabular List which provides instruction for topography classification when a default site is listed in the Alphabetic Index.

DECISION

The only part of the kidney that contains transitional cells is the renal calyx. Assign site code: *C65 Malignant neoplasm of renal pelvis* for TCC of kidney.

This WA Coding Rule 0725/62 *TCC of the kidney* supersedes WA Coding Rule 0710/03 *Papillary TCC of the kidney*.

This Rule has been modified to improve clarity.

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As per the Patient Activity Data Policy (MP 0164/21) Western Australian Coding Rules must be followed.



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0710/03 Papillary TCC of kidney

Q.

How is papillary TCC of the kidney coded?

A.

The alphabetic index at TCC papillary states "See also Neoplasm, bladder, malignant". "See also" notes are not mandatory, only "see" notes are mandatory. The Codefinder™ code assignment of bladder neoplasm is incorrect. We will inform 3M of this issue.

N.B TCC of kidney can only be of the renal pelvis as confirmed by the WA Cancer Registry.

DECISION

Assign C65 *Malignant neoplasm of renal pelvis* and M8130/3 *Papillary transitional cell carcinoma* for papillary TCC of kidney.

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