



Western Australian Coding Rule

0715/14 Loose skin of eyelid

In ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Ninth Edition the code *L98.7 Excessive and redundant skin and subcutaneous tissue* was created for loose skin, with Excludes note: *Excludes: excess or redundant skin of eyelid: H02.3.*

WA Coding Rule 0709/01 *Loose skin of eyelid* is therefore retired.

DECISION

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How should “loose skin of eyelid” be coded?

Occasionally the documented terminology is “excess” skin of eyelid for which there is an Index pathway:

Excess

- skin, eyelid (acquired) H02.3

A.

Loose skin of eyelid is not indexed. Laxity of skin is indexed to L57.4, but this is not specific to the site eyelid. Laxity of the skin is also known as cutis laxa or dermatolysis.

Follow Alphabetic Index pathway:

Dermatolysis

- eyelids H02.3

or

Redundant

- skin (of face)

-- eyelids H02.3

and assign H02.3 *Blepharochalasis*.

The 3M Codefinder assigns H02.3 with the look up: laxity, skin, eyelid, but the Alphabetic Index will not take you directly to this code as some coders have found.

DECISION

Assign H02.3 *Blepharochalasis* for loose or excess skin of eyelid.

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