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Western Australian Coding Rule

0722/19 Telangiectasia rectum or intestine

In Twelfth Edition an ICD-10-AM Alphabetic Index entry has been created for Telangiectasia, gastrointestinal, directing coders to Angiodysplasia. And Index entry has also been created for Angiodysplasia, rectum. An includes note for telangiectasia of colon and intestine has been added to K55.21 *Angiodysplasia of colon without mention of haemorrhage* and K55.22 *Angiodysplasia of colon with haemorrhage*. Q3638 *Telangiectasia of the intestine and rectum* has been retired.

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0318/72 Telangiectasia rectum or intestine

In ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Tenth Edition the concept of "translating the medical statement into code" has changed to "classifying the clinical concept". Multiple codes are no longer assigned to describe a single clinical concept (unless instructed by a Tabular Instruction or Australian Coding Standard).

WA Coding Rule 0711/04 *Telangiectasia rectum or intestine* is therefore retired.

DECISION

WA Coding Rule 0711/04 *Telangiectasia rectum or intestine* is retired.

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0711/04 Telangiectasia rectum or intestine

Q.

Please confirm past coding advice for telangiectasia of rectum or intestine is still correct?

A.

Past advice (Coding Advisory Panel decision 19/9/08) is still correct. Telangiectasia is permanent dilation of superficial capillaries and venules, usually occurring near the surface of the skin. Code assignment is I78.1 *Naevus, non-neoplastic*. To reflect that the telangiectasia is in the digestive tract, assign first a code for specified disorder of the site, followed by telangiectasia.

For example, telangiectasia of rectum is coded:
K62.8 *Other specified diseases of anus and rectum*
I78.1 *Naevus, non-neoplastic*

DECISION
Telangiectasia of rectum should be coded:
K62.8 *Other specified diseases of anus and rectum*
I78.1 *Naevus, non-neoplastic*

Telangiecatasia of intestine should be coded:
K55.8 *Other vascular disorders of intestine*
I78.1 *Naevus, non-neoplastic*

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