Western Australian Coding Rule

0210/09 Transcanal myringoplasty with temporalis fascia graft

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If following ACHI Index pathway: Graft, fascia, temporalis the index direction is “see Mastoidectomy”. By following this pathway the coder arrives at 41551-00 [325] Mastoidectomy by intact wall technique with myringoplasty. This code is incorrect as mastoidectomy was not performed. Which code should be assigned as 41527-00 [313] Myringoplasty transcanal approach does not capture the temporalis fascia graft?

A.
41527-00 [313] Myringoplasty, transcanal approach is the correct code to assign. The graft is inherent in this code.

DECISION
Transcanal myringoplasty with temporalis fascia graft should be coded 41527-00 [313] Myringoplasty, transcanal approach.

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