Western Australian Coding Rule

0319/04 Follow up for Helicobacter pylori after eradication therapy

WA Coding Rule 0818/01 *Follow-up gastroscopy to check for H. pylori after completion of eradication therapy* is superseded by ACCD Coding Rule *Follow up for H. pylori after eradication therapy* (Ref No: Q3375) effective 1 April 2019; (log in to view on the ACCD CLIP portal).

DECISION

WA Coding Rule 0818/01 *Follow-up gastroscopy to check for H. pylori after completion of eradication therapy* is retired.

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0818/01  Follow-up gastroscopy to check for *H. pylori* after completion of eradication therapy

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Patient admitted for same-day follow-up gastroscopy to check for presence of *H. pylori* after previously completing *H. pylori* eradication treatment. At scope *H. pylori* is detected without the presence of an associated condition. No other findings are reported.

What is the correct diagnosis code assignment?

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Follow ACS 0052 *Same-day endoscopy – Surveillance* and assign ‘the condition under surveillance (follow-up/screening) if detected’ as principal diagnosis.

*H. pylori* is the condition detected under surveillance, so is to be assigned as principal diagnosis.

As per ACS 1122 *Helicobacter pylori*, B96.81 *Helicobacter pylori [H. pylori] as the cause of diseases classified to other chapters* cannot be assigned where there is no documented association between the *H. pylori* infection and another condition.

Instead, assign Z22.3 *Carrier of other specified bacterial diseases* as principal diagnosis following Index pathway:

**Carrier (suspected) of**  
- bacterial disease NEC

**DECISION**

When *H. pylori* is detected without presence of an associated condition in a same-day follow-up gastroscopy to check for presence of *H. pylori*, assign Z22.3 *Carrier of other specified bacterial diseases* as principal diagnosis.

A query will be submitted to ACCD requesting national classification instruction for these cases.

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