Western Australian Coding Rule

0710/04 Glomerulosclerosis and sclerosis index pathways

ACS 0913 Hypertensive kidney disease was deleted in ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Seventh Edition. The Includes note at I12 Hypertensive kidney disease was amended to state: ‘any condition in N00-N07, N18.-, N19 or N26 due to hypertension’.

WA Coding Rule 0110/03 Glomerulosclerosis and sclerosis index pathways is therefore retired.

DECISION

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Q.
Glomerulosclerosis in index has no entry with hypertension. However there is a note see also Sclerosis, kidney where with hypertension is listed. When there is documentation of glomerulosclerosis and hypertension, does the "see also" force us to go to sclerosis and therefore code to I12.9?

A.
Refer to Conventions used in the disease index (Introduction - page x of Alphabetic Index yellow book) for back to basics review of the “see” and “see also” conventions. I12.9 is only assigned if a causal relationship is documented between glomerulosclerosis and hypertension as per ACS 0913 Hypertensive Kidney Disease.

DECISION
According to the Conventions used in the disease index (Introduction - page x of Alphabetic Index yellow book), it is correct to follow the “see also” note. However ACS 0913 Hypertensive Kidney Disease states that a causal relationship must be documented to assign I12.x.