Western Australian Coding Rule

1110/03 Anti-venom administration

Q. Do we still code anti-venom administration i.e. 96197-04 [1920] *Intramuscular administration of pharmacological agent, antidote.*

A. ACS 1923 *Contact with venomous/nonvenomous creatures* states: “Administration of anti-venom is assigned a code from block [1920] *Administration of pharmacotherapy* with an extension of -04”.

Pharmacotherapy is normally not coded as per ACS 0042 *Procedures normally not coded*, however as there is another ACS directing anti-venom be coded this overrides ACS 0042.

**DECISION**
Assign a code from block [1920] with an extension of -04 when anti-venom is administered.

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