



Western Australian Coding Rule

0318/05 Passive smoking

In ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Tenth Edition, ACS 2118 *Exposure to tobacco smoke* was created and provides instruction for assignment of Z58.7. WA Coding Rule 0714/02 *Passive smoking* is therefore retired.

DECISION

WA Coding Rule 0714/02 *Passive smoking* is retired.

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Q.

Can you code *Z58.7 Exposure to tobacco smoke*, to indicate passive smoking?

Documentation: 4 year old with viral induced exacerbation of asthma, on a background of >3 smokers in the household.

A.

Do not use *Z58.7 Exposure to tobacco smoke*. The World Health Organisation introduced this code in Fifth Edition with advice in the Fifth Edition education sessions not to assign this code. Unfortunately there appears to be no further documentation of this advice and understandably many coders will not be aware of it.

In Ninth Edition a list of diagnosis codes that should never be assigned will be included in the Australian Coding Standards. *Z58.7 Exposure to tobacco smoke* will be one of these codes.

DECISION

***Z58.7 Exposure to tobacco smoke* should not be assigned for passive smoking.**

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