



Western Australian Coding Rule

0210/08 Gastric flu

Q.

Is J11.8 *Influenza with other manifestations, virus not identified* the correct code for gastric flu?

A.

“Gastric flu” is an imprecise term for an intestinal virus, and may not equate to true influenza. The coder must determine from documentation whether influenza is present.

DECISION

If influenza is not documented, follow Alphabetic Index pathway

Gastroenteritis

- viral

and assign A08.4 *Viral intestinal infection, unspecified.*

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