



Western Australian Coding Rule

0318/62 Cancelled infusion

WA Coding Rule 0915/04 *Cancelled infusion* is retired.

This Rule was for interpretation of the [Admission, Readmission, Discharge and Transfer Policy](#) (MP 0058/17); and coders should be guided by this policy.

DECISION

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How should a cancelled infusion, dialysis or transfusion be coded if the patient is already sitting in the chair where the infusion is to take place? Looking at the flowchart in the WA Coding Standards, the patient is already in the 'theatre or similar'.

A.

For the purposes of the WA Coding Standards, 'theatre or similar' should be interpreted as the place where the procedure is to take place EXCEPT in the case of infusions, dialysis and transfusions. For these cases, there has been no utilisation of theatre (or similar) time, which is the rationale behind asking whether the patient is already in theatre. For a cancelled infusion, dialysis or transfusion to be coded as an inpatient episode of care, the infusion, dialysis or transfusion must have already commenced (see box 3 in the flowchart).

This will be clarified in the next version of the WA Coding Standards.

DECISION

For the purposes of the WA Coding Standards, 'theatre or similar' should be interpreted as the place where the procedure is to take place (e.g. theatre, cath lab, radiology, endoscopy procedural room etc), EXCEPT in the case of infusions, dialysis and transfusions.

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