



Western Australian Coding Rule

0715/16 Occlusion of left atrial appendage

ACCD Coding Rule ***Procedures on the left atrial appendage (LAA)*** (Ref No: Q2664) was retired on 30 June 2015.

In Ninth Edition (effective 1 July 2015) a newACHI Alphabetic Index entry was created for occlusion of left atrial appendage.



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0112/09 Occlusion of left atrial appendage

WA Coding Rule 0410/04 *Occlusion of left atrial appendage* is superseded by ACCD Coding Rule ***Procedures on the left atrial appendage (LAA)*** (Ref No: Q2664) effective 1 January 2012; (log in to view on the [ACCD CLIP portal](#)).

DECISION

WA Coding Rule 0410/04 *Occlusion of left atrial appendage* is retired.

[Effective 1 January 2012, ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS 7th Ed.]



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0410/04 Occlusion of left atrial appendage

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What is the correct coding for the procedure Percutaneous left atrial appendage occlusion?

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Discussion with a Cardiologist has determined that this procedure involves similar techniques and the same implant that is used for the closure of an atrial septal defect. In this procedure however an opening is made in the atrial septum (which self-heals in time) and via a catheter (transcatheter) the implant is placed in the atrial appendage occluding the orifice and therefore preventing any emboli descent caused by atrial fibrillation.

The following codes were determined as appropriate to capture this procedure:

38742-00 [617] Percutaneous closure of atrial septal defect (includes that with prosthesis or device)

38203-00 [667] Left heart catheterisation

55130-00 [1942] Transoesophageal ultrasound of heart performed during cardiac surgery

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In the meantime, assign:

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[Effective 21 April 2010, ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS 6th Ed.]