

The Queensland Coding Committee met on 14 October 2010. Key discussions and outcomes included:

Coding Query Review

The following coding queries were reviewed by the QCC:

- Excisional debridement;
- Silicone breast implants – gel bleed;
- PD in Obstetrics;
- Insertion of catheters in neonates;
- Respiratory distress in neonates;
- Kidney Failure – wording of note;
- eBook issues – anastomosis intestinal;
- Milk Aspiration with O2 Therapy < 24 hours - Codefinder allocation of code;
- Shortcut abbreviation of CIDP [chronic inflammatory demyelinating polyneuropathy] in the 3M Codefinder;
- Coding osteomyelitis of toe, staph aureus in the 3M Codefinder.

All queries were discussed and responses will be made available after formal ratification.

HBCIS Update

Successful state-wide installation of the September HBCIS release was completed on Thursday 23rd September. Thank you once again to the Beta 2 test. Overall, it was an incident free release. Feedback from sites that have used the new Telehealth screen has been positive. Thank you also to sites that provided feedback and further proof checking regarding the large number of facility updates that were loaded in the September HBCIS release.

The HBCIS team is currently working on upcoming enhancements for the next March 2011 HBCIS release. Final date for requests for enhancements was Monday, 4 October 10. Stakeholder consultation regarding enhancements continues. There are some enhancements on the table that have been discussed for sometime

including an increase to a 4-digit language code that the team is actively trying to progress for release.

ICD Technical Group (ITG) Update (previously CSAC update)

The first meeting of the ITG was held in September 2010. The governance model and Terms of Reference were discussed.

The ITG discussed clinical coding queries and frequently asked questions in relation to ICD-10-AM 7th edition coding.

Once the ITG reach agreement on the queries these will be made available on the NCCC website for coders to review.

Performance Indicators for Coding Quality (PICQ) Update

Representatives of the National Centre For Classification In Health (NCCH) have stated a new version of PICQ may be made available by the end of the year from a private company.

CCAE Update

Audit reports have been reviewed and a number are ready for re-release.

External Audit Tender

The External Audit Tender had been withdrawn. Health networks will be responsible for data quality processes.

The HSC Clinical Classification Auditor/Educator positions will continue to conduct targeted audits throughout the state.

Next QCC Meeting

The next QCC meeting is scheduled for 11 November 2010.

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