

# CCAQ Coding Advice

## Cellulitis of breast - Q0292

### Query:

We are seeking advice on code assignment for a diagnosis of “cellulitis of breast”.

Should L03.3 *Cellulitis of trunk* or N61 *Inflammatory disorders of breast* be assigned?

#### **Scenario 1: Postoperative wound infection with cellulitis at previous mastectomy site**

T81.4 *Wound infection following a procedure, not elsewhere classified*

L03.3 *Cellulitis of trunk*

Y83.6 *Removal of other organ (partial)(total)*

Y92.2- *Place of occurrence, health service area*

Or

T81.4 *Wound infection following a procedure, not elsewhere classified*

N61 *Inflammatory disorders of breast*

Y83.6 *Removal of other organ (partial)(total)*

Y92.2- *Place of occurrence, health service area*

#### **Scenario 2: Infected breast prosthesis / implant with overlying cellulitis**

T85.75 *Infection and inflammatory reaction due to breast prostheses and implants*

L03.3 *Cellulitis of trunk*

Y83.1 *Surgical operation with implant of artificial internal device*

Y92.2- *Place of occurrence, health service area.*

Or

T85.75 *Infection and inflammatory reaction due to breast prostheses and implants*

N61 *Inflammatory disorders of breast*

Y83.1 *Surgical operation with implant of artificial internal device*

Y92.2- *Place of occurrence, health service area*

### Advice:

**Effective: 1 April 2022 - Advice is CURRENT and remains as is.**

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CCAQ advise that for documentation of cellulitis of breast, assign L03.3 *Cellulitis of trunk* following the Alphabetic index Cellulitis/chest wall or Cellulitis/trunk. For the scenarios provided, assign:

**Scenario 1**

*T81.4 Wound infection following a procedure, not elsewhere classified*

*L03.3 Cellulitis of trunk*

*Y83.6 Removal of other organ (partial)(total)*

*Y92.2- Place of occurrence, health service area*

**Scenario 2**

*T85.75 Infection and inflammatory reaction due to breast prostheses and implants*

*L03.3 Cellulitis of trunk*

*Y83.1 Surgical operation with implant of artificial internal device*

*Y92.2- Place of occurrence, health service area.*