ICD-10-AM, ACHI and ACS

Fifth edition forecast

ICD-10-AM, the Australian Classification of Health Interventions (ACHI) and the Australian Coding Standards (ACS) have been improved with a number of important changes.

ICD-10-AM Fifth Edition

New disease codes – 143
Deleted disease codes – 5

The modifications to disease codes incorporate a number of important improvements to ICD-10-AM:

WHO ICD-10 updates

Each year in October, recommendations for change to ICD-10 are made to the Update Reference Committee at the WHO Family of International Classifications (WHO-FIC) meeting. ICD-10-AM Fifth Edition contains those recommendations ratified at the WHO-FIC meetings of 2003 and 2004.

The main changes resulting from the ICD-10 updates include:

New chapter:

Chapter 22 *Codes for special purposes* (U00-U49). This includes the new code U04.9 *Severe acute respiratory syndrome [SARS].*

New codes:

G90.4 *Autonomic dysreflexia*

J09 *Influenza due to identified avian influenza virus*

K22.7 *Barrett's oesophagus*

K85 *Acute pancreatitis* has been expanded at the fourth character level with 6 new codes with the axis being the aetiology of the acute pancreatitis.

M79.7 *Fibromyalgia*

P91.6 *Hypoxic ischaemic encephalopathy [HIE] of newborn*

R29.6 *Tendency to fall, NEC*

R50.2 *Drug-induced fever*

R50.8 *Other specified fever*

U04.9 *Severe acute respiratory syndrome [SARS]*

W46 *Contact with hypodermic needle*

Z58.7 *Exposure to tobacco smoke*

Z92.6 *Personal history of chemotherapy for neoplastic disease*

Inactivated codes:

P91.81 *Neonatal encephalopathy*

P91.89 *Other specified disturbances of cerebral status of newborn*

R50.0 *Fever with chills*

R50.1 *Persistent fever*

Amended code title:

O60 *Preterm delivery* to *Preterm labour,* with 3 new codes denoting *without delivery*, *with preterm delivery* and *with term delivery*

External cause of injury codes

A submission was received by the Research Centre for Injury Studies (RCIS). Changes made as a result of this submission include:

- Identification of the counterpart in pedestrian conveyance collisions is now possible through the introduction of a new Australian category, V00 *Pedestrian injured in collision with pedestrian conveyance*, with a fifth character to identify the mode of pedestrian conveyance used by the counterpart
- Amendments to categories for falls to allow specification of particular types of chairs, beds and other furniture

- New recreational activities, for example, kite surfing and land sailing

Code changes include:

- U54.7 *Kite surfing* – amendments to inclusion terms and index
- U55.8 *Ice sailing* & U66.5 *Land sailing* – 1 new code
- U63 *Equestrian activities* – 2 new codes
- Mode of pedestrian conveyance – V00, W02, W03 and W51 – 34 new codes, 5 amended codes
- V80 *Animal-rider or occupant of animal-drawn vehicle injured in transport accident* – 28 new codes, 2 amended codes
- W06 *Fall involving bed* – 9 new codes
- W07 *Fall involving chair* – 10 new codes
- W08 *Fall involving other furniture* – 5 new codes
- W13 *Fall from, out of or through building or structure* – 8 new codes
- W18 *Other fall on same level* – 5 new codes
- W55 *Bitten or stung by other mammals* – 4 new codes
- X15 *Contact with hot household appliances* – 8 new codes
- X70 *Intentional self-harm by hanging, strangulation and suffocation* – 3 new codes
- Y92 *Place of occurrence* – amendments to inclusion terms and index
- Motor-vehicle exhaust – amendments to *Table of Drugs and Chemicals*
- Discharge of paintball gun – new inclusion terms and amendments to *Table of Discharges of Firearm*

Drug table review

A number of minor changes have been made to the Alphabetic Index of Diseases, Section 3: *Table of Drugs and Chemicals.*

Australian Classification of Health Interventions (ACHI) Fifth Edition

New procedure codes – 105
Deleted procedure codes – 58
Deleted blocks – 1

The modifications to procedure codes incorporate a number of important improvements to ACHI:

Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS)

ACHI Fifth Edition will include modifications based on MBS changes from May 2003, November 2003 and May 2004.

Chapter 6 Dental Services

The Australian Schedule of Dental Services and Glossary, 8th Edition was released for use in 2004. It contained a number of amended, reinstated, renumbered, deleted and new items. Relevant changes to this document have been incorporated into ACHI Fifth Edition.

Incision and drainage of lesion in oral cavity

A code has been created for this procedure in block [401] *Incision procedures on mouth, palate or uvula;* 96215-00 [401] *Incision and drainage of lesion in oral cavity.*

Adjustment of tissue expander valve

Two codes have been created; 45566-03 [1661] *Adjustment of tissue expander* and 45548-02 [1758] *Adjustment of breast tissue expander.*

New name for ICD-10-AM

The Fifth Edition introduces a new naming of ICD-10-AM to reflect the fact that volumes 3 and 4, the Australian Classification of Health Interventions (ACHI) is not a modification of ICD-10 which is a disease classification.

The Fifth Edition will still have five volumes but will be referred to as three separate products:

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Ablation of bone lesion

A code has been created; 90609-00 [1579] *Destruction of bone* in block [1579] *Other procedures for other musculoskeletal sites.*

High dose rate brachytherapy

A public submission was received requesting a code for this procedure. Two codes have been created in block [1792] *Brachytherapy, interstitial:*

- 15327-06 [1792] *Brachytherapy with implantation of removable single plane, high dose rate*
- 15327-07 [1792] *Brachytherapy with implantation of removable multiple planes or volume implant, high dose rate*

Pharmacotherapy interventions

Amendments have been made to *Pharmacotherapy interventions;* blocks [1920] *Administration of pharmacotherapy*, [1921] *Loading of drug delivery device* and [1922] *Other procedures related to pharmacotherapy.* These changes were made in response to queries received following pharmacotherapy codes introduced in ACHI Fourth Edition.

Fetoscopic laser ablation of intrauterine vessels of placenta

A public submission was received requesting the creation of codes for the treatment of twin to twin transfusion syndrome. Two codes have been created: 90463-01 [1330] *Endoscopic fetal reduction* and 90488-00 [1330] *Endoscopic ablation of vessels of placenta.*

Australian Coding Standards (ACS) Fifth Edition

New Australian Coding Standards – 3
Deleted Australian Coding Standards – 4
Modified Australian Coding Standards – 14

A review of all ACS was performed in conjunction with the amendments to ICD-10-AM Tabular List and ACHI Tabular list. This has resulted in the addition of new standards, deletion of irrelevant standards and modification of a number of other standards to reflect the changes for Fifth Edition.

Amendments to the ACS include:

New standards

- ACS 0304 *Pancytopenia*
- ACS 0942 *Banding of haemorrhoids*
- ACS 1551 *Obstetric perineal lacerations/grazes*

Deleted standards

- ACS 0624 *Autonomic dysreflexia*
- ACS 0907 *Echocardiography*
- ACS 1011 *Chronic bronchitis in children*
- ACS 1536 *Fetal reduction*

Modified standards

- ACS 0040 *Conventions used in the tabular list of procedures*
- ACS 0043 *Flaps and free flaps*
- ACS 0233 *Morphology*
- ACS 0301 *Stem cell procurement and transplantation*
- ACS 0503 *Drug, alcohol and tobacco use disorders*
- ACS 0809 *Intraoral osseointegrated implants*
- ACS 0933 *Cardiac catheterisation*
- ACS 1217 *Repair of wound of skin and subcutaneous tissue*
- ACS 1911 *Burns*

Publication information

ICD-10-AM, ACHI and ACS, Fifth Edition will be published in February 2006, for implementation from 1 July 2006. The Fifth Edition will be available as

- Five volumes in hard copy, with optional slipcase
- eBook, the electronic version, which can be networked for designated numbers of users, or as stand alone options. The eBook's features include
    - o global notes, which allows an administrator to create or edit notes that can be seen by all users, and a personal notes field.
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Fifth Edition Education

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