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1. Introduction to the ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Chronicle

The *ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Chronicle* is a reference tool that documents changes between editions of ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS. The *ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Chronicle First to Thirteenth Edition* documents changes made to the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth and Thirteenth Editions of the *International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, Tenth Revision, Australian Modification* (ICD-10-AM), the *Australian Classification of Health Interventions* (ACHI) and the *Australian Coding Standards* (ACS).

The Chronicle is updated with each edition of ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS:

- ICD-10-AM/MBS-E/ACS First Edition (July 1998)
- ICD-10-AM/MBS-E/ACS Second Edition (July 2000)
- ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Third Edition (July 2002)
- ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Fourth Edition (July 2004)
- ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Fifth Edition (July 2006)
- ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Sixth Edition (July 2008)
- ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Seventh Edition (July 2010)
- ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Eighth Edition (July 2013)
- ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Ninth Edition (July 2015)
- ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Tenth Edition (July 2017)
- ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Eleventh Edition (July 2019)
- ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Twelfth Edition (July 2022)
- ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Thirteenth Edition (July 2025)

ICD-10-AM is based on the *International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, Tenth Revision* (ICD-10).

ACHI (previously named MBS-Extended) includes updates based on the *Medicare Benefits Schedule* and *The Australian Dental Association Schedule*.

Effective use of the *ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Chronicle* is contingent upon assumed knowledge of the ICD-10-AM and ACHI classifications, and the Australian Coding Standards (ACS).

The *ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Chronicle* does not educate in the process and skills of clinical coding. The *ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Chronicle* is supplied in read-only format.

It is recommended that advice from a health information manager or clinical coder with experience in the ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS classification system is sought prior to utilising the Chronicle.

Please submit any errors via the submissions to: [Australian Classification Exchange \(ACE\) queries](#).

2. Aim of the ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Chronicle

The *ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Chronicle* has been built with the aim of improving understanding about changes made to the classifications and the ACS, and reasons for the changes. Health classifications must be regularly updated and maintained to retain clinical relevance. The changes created during updates are documented in the *ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Chronicle* to meet the needs of researchers and other users of ICD-10-AM/ACHI coded health data.

3. ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Chronicle structure

ICD-10-AM Chronicle

The *ICD-10-AM Chronicle First Edition to Thirteenth Edition* is split into three parts:

Part 1: A00–T98 and Z00–Z99

Part 2: U00–Y98 (including the *Table of Drugs and Chemicals*)

Part 3: Morphology codes

Each part consists of three sections:

- *Historical listing of ICD-10-AM codes* — A list of all ICD-10-AM codes in the electronic code list (ECL)
- *Status of changes to ICD-10-AM codes* — Identifies status of changes to ICD-10-AM codes across the editions
- *Chronicle of changes to ICD-10-AM codes* — Details the reason for each edition change.

ACHI Chronicle

The *ACHI Chronicle First Edition to Thirteenth Edition* consists of six sections:

- *Historical listing of ACHI blocks* — A list of all ACHI blocks in the ECL
- *Status of changes to ACHI blocks* — Identifies status of changes to ACHI blocks across the editions
- *Chronicle of changes to ACHI blocks* — Details the reason for each edition change
- *Historical listing of ACHI codes* — A list of all ACHI codes in the ECL
- *Status of changes to ACHI codes* — Identifies status of changes to ACHI codes across the editions
- *Chronicle of changes to ACHI codes* — Details the reason for each edition change.

ACS Chronicle

The *ACS Chronicle First Edition to Thirteenth Edition* consists of two sections:

- *Historical listing of Australian Coding Standards (ACS)* — A list of every ACS (First to Thirteenth Editions)
- *Chronicle of changes to the ACS* — Identifies status of changes to the ACS and details the reason for each edition change.

4. ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Chronicle sections

Historical list of codes, blocks or ACS

The central navigation points are the lists of blocks, codes and ACS numbers. Blocks, codes and ACS that have been created, revised or deleted (inactivated or retired) since First Edition are highlighted and linked to the *Status of changes* section (ICD-10-AM and ACHI) or *Chronicle of changes* to the ACS.

Status of changes

The *Status of changes* section provides information about the nature of the change, including whether the code or block was created, revised or deleted (inactivated), and the edition when the change occurred.

The *Status of changes* section is linked to the *Chronicle of changes* section for ICD-10-AM and ACHI Chronicles.

Chronicle of changes

The *Chronicle of changes* section provides information about the change, when it was implemented and why. References to the Australian Coding Standards are made, where relevant, in the ICD-10-AM and ACHI Chronicles.

The Chronicle of changes to the ACS incorporates the status of changes for each ACS.

5. How to use the ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Chronicle

Hyperlinks are used to navigate between the sections within each Chronicle document.

For example:

Historical listing of ACHI codes

CODE	DESCRIPTOR
13700-00	Procurement of bone marrow for transplantation
13700-01	Procurement of bone marrow for transplantation, living donor
13700-02	Procurement of bone marrow for transplantation, posthumous donor

TIP: Click on the [blue hyperlinks](#) in the *Historical listing* section to navigate to the *Status of changes* section.

Status of changes to ACHI codes

13700-00 Procurement of bone marrow for transplantation

Status of excludes note: Created – [Twelfth Edition](#)

Status of code: Deleted – [Thirteenth Edition](#)

13700-01 Procurement of bone marrow for transplantation, living donor

Status of code: Created – [Thirteenth Edition](#)

13700-02 Procurement of bone marrow for transplantation, posthumous donor

Status of code: Created – [Thirteenth Edition](#)

TIP: Click on the [blue hyperlinks](#) in the *Status of changes* section to navigate to the *Chronicle of changes* section.

Chronicle of changes to ACHI codes

NEW/MISSING CLINICAL CONCEPTS (CLASSIFICATION GAPS)

TWELFTH EDITION

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THIRTEENTH EDITION

Background:

The Independent Health and Aged Care Pricing Authority (IHACPA) received public submissions requesting the addition of clinical concepts that were not adequately distinguished in ICD-10-AM. Development principles prioritise submissions that identify significant gaps in the classification, reflecting contemporary clinical knowledge or practice.

IHACPA reviewed and prioritised public submissions by considering whether they support:

- initiatives under the National Health Reform Agreement (NHRA)
- national strategies or significant public health issues
- current evidence in the medical literature in the use of terms
- alignment with concepts from ICD-11
- alignment with concepts in other modifications of ICD-10, such as the USA Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM), Canadian Modification (ICD-10-CA) or German Modification (ICD-10-GM) and intervention classifications such as the United Kingdom (OPCS-4).

Organ procurement and transplantation

As a result of the Department of Health and Aged Care's draft National Strategy for Organ Donation, Retrieval and Transplantation and Transition Action Plan, a review was conducted into the ICD-10-AM and ACHI codes related to the classification of organ donation, procurement and transplantation.

The review demonstrated an opportunity to improve classification for organ and tissue procurement and transplantation.

Pulmonary embolectomy

A review of Adjacent Diagnosis Related Group (ADRG) 801 General Interventions Unrelated to Principal Diagnosis highlighted the absence of a code for pulmonary embolectomy which caused grouping to ADRG 801 due to the lack of a specific code for pulmonary artery embolectomy, that has been rectified by the creation of a site specific code for this procedure.

Intravitreal injections

Stakeholder submissions highlighted an inconsistency in the ACHI code for intravitreal injection and the underpinning Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) item. In consideration of this anomaly, amendments were made relating to intravitreal injections to ensure alignment with the MBS.

Source of recommended change:

IHACPA (TN1635)

Relevant Australian Coding Standard:

ACS 0030 *Organ, tissue and cell procurement and transplantation*

TIP: After clicking a hyperlink, use 'Alt+← [left arrow]' to return to the previous location.

TIP: Users may also use the search function (Ctrl+F) to find the required term.



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