



Western Australian Coding Rule

0318/73 Failure to progress

ACCD Coding Rule ***Failure to progress in first or second stage of labour*** (Ref No: Q2725) was retired on 30 June 2017.



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0314/03 Failure to progress

WA Coding Rule 0612/03 *Failure to progress* is superseded by ACCD Coding Rule ***Failure to progress in first or second stage of labour*** (Ref No: Q2725) effective 1 April 2014; (log in to view on the [ACCD CLIP portal](#)).

DECISION

WA Coding Rule 0612/03 *Failure to progress* is retired.

[Effective 1 April 2014, ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS 8th Ed.]



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0612/03 Failure to progress

Q.

Could you please advise if it is still correct to assign O62.0 or O62.2 when failure to progress is documented with the cervical dilation and nothing else? We have previously been told that if the patient has dilated to <6cm to code it to O62.0 and >6cm to O62.2.

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Coding Commandments 15:4 advised:

Failure to progress in labour is a description rather than a diagnostic term, therefore a code for the underlying condition resulting in failure to progress should be assigned. Underlying causes may include cephalopelvic disproportion, malpresentation, inefficient uterine action, (primary uterine inertia or secondary uterine inertia), cervical dystocia, maternal exhaustion etc.

In the absence of documentation of an underlying cause for failure to progress, clinical advice indicates that the correct code to assign is O62.9 *Abnormalities of forces of labour, unspecified*. The NCCH will consider improvements to the Alphabetic Index for *failure to progress* in labour for a future edition of ICD-10-AM.

Failure to progress (in labour) NEC was indexed to O62.9 in Seventh Edition.

Previous advice below (? from a NCCH workshop) is still currently being used by some.

O62.0 Primary inadequate contractions <6cm

O62.2 Other uterine inertia >6cm

DECISION

In the absence of documentation of an underlying cause for failure to progress, the correct code to assign is O62.9 *Abnormalities of forces of labour, unspecified*.

[Effective 6 June 2012, ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS 7th Ed.]