



# Western Australian Coding Rule

## **0722/04 Upgrade of previous partial knee replacement (hemi-arthroplasty) to a total knee replacement (TKR/total arthroplasty)**

In Twelfth Edition ACHI Alphabetic Index entries have been updated for conversion of hemiarthroplasty to total arthroplasty.

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## 0318/56 Upgrade of previous partial knee replacement (hemi-arthroplasty) to a total knee replacement (TKR/total arthroplasty)

ACCD Coding Rule **Revision arthroplasty of the knee** (Ref No: Q2971) was retired on 30 June 2017. Inconsistencies in the ACHI Alphabetic Index identified in the ACCD Coding Rule were amended in ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS Tenth Edition (effective 1 July 2017).

RETIRED



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## 0916/11 Upgrade of previous partial knee replacement (hemi-arthroplasty) to a total knee replacement (TKR/total arthroplasty)

WA Coding Rule 0215/04 *Upgrade of previous partial knee replacement (hemi-arthroplasty) to a total knee replacement (TKR/total arthroplasty)* is superseded by ACCD Coding Rule **Revision arthroplasty of the knee** (Ref No: Q2971) effective 1 October 2016; (log in to view on the [ACCD CLIP portal](#)).

### DECISION

**WA Coding Rule 0215/04 *Upgrade of previous partial knee replacement (hemi-arthroplasty) to a total knee replacement (TKR/total arthroplasty)* is retired.**

[Effective 1 Oct 2016, ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS 9<sup>th</sup> Ed.]

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## 0215/04 Upgrade of previous partial knee replacement (hemi-arthroplasty) to a total knee replacement (TKR/total arthroplasty)

### Q.

How do you code upgrade of a previous partial knee replacement to a total knee replacement?

### A.

The following documentation has been encountered:

Operation report titled 'Revision TKR.' Actual operation performed is replacement of a pre-existing hemi-arthroplasty with a total arthroplasty (i.e. upgrade from a hemi-arthroplasty/partial knee replacement to a TKR).

Operation report titled 'Revision of partial knee replacement.' Actual operation performed is a TKR.

The Index has pathways for revision of partial to partial knee replacement; and revision of total to total knee replacement. There are no index pathways to deal with revision (or upgrade) of partial to total knee replacement.

Assign 49518-00 [1518] *Total arthroplasty of knee, unilateral.*

Assign also 49515-00 [1501] *Removal of knee prosthesis*, if documented that part or all of the original partial knee replacement was removed prior to performing the TKR.

### DECISION

**Replacement of a hemiarthroplasty with a total arthroplasty of the knee should be coded to 49518-00 [1518]. Assign also 49515-00 [1501] *Removal of knee prosthesis*, if documented that part or all of the original partial knee replacement was removed prior to performing the TKR. This query will be forwarded on to the ACCD.**

[Effective 25 Feb 2015, ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS 8<sup>th</sup> Ed.]