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Dear Mr Lawson

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your request of 24 July 2017, asking four questions under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) in relation to the following:

*2017 ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Code S77.11XA Crushing injury of right thigh,
2017 ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Code S77.01XA Crushing injury of right hip
2017 ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Code S38.1XXS Crushing injury of abdomen, lower back,
and pelvis, sequela*

We have set out each of your four requests, as they appeared in your email, and ACC's corresponding responses below.

Request 1

I respectfully request your assistance in confirming the corresponding equivalent Diagnostic Read Code that applies to the ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Code S77.11XA Crushing injury of right thigh, that ACC accepts from treatment providers.

Relevant ACC Read code is SF300 Crush injury, thigh.

Request 2

I respectfully request your assistance in confirming the corresponding equivalent Diagnostic Read Code that applies to the 2017 ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Code S77.01XA Crushing injury of right hip, that ACC accepts from treatment providers.

Relevant ACC Read code is SF301 Crush injury, hip.

Request 3

I respectfully request your assistance in confirming the corresponding equivalent Diagnostic Read Code that applies to the 2017 ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Code S38.1XXS Crushing injury of abdomen, lower back, and pelvis, sequela, that ACC accepts from treatment providers.

Relevant ACC Read code is SF11X Crush inj of oth & unspecif parts of abdom/low back/pelv. There is also another relevant Read code, which is SR32 Crush inj/thorax with abdo,lower back + pelvis with limb(s).

Request 4

Please also advise if there are Read Codes (and if so what each of the Read Codes are) that apply specifically to crushing injuries of the buttock and pelvis, or whether these areas of the body when crushed are accepted for cover acceptance by ACC under either hip and or grouped with pelvis, abdomen and lower back.

There is a crush injury read code for the buttock. Relevant ACC Read code is SF111 Crush injury, buttock. Please refer to our response provided under Request 3 with regard to relevant Read codes relating to crush injury of pelvis.

Read code recorded

The Read code for a claim is recorded as that provided by the health provider upon lodgement of the claim. This would only be changed if the code the health provider used was not appropriate for the information, or there was a better code. For example, if a claim is lodged for a crush injury with no body site noted but the additional comments noted that it was a crush injury to the hip, then ACC would record Read code for crush injury hip rather than a generic crush injury.

If the health provider has not provided a Read code when lodging a claim with ACC, the most appropriate Read code based on the information available (usually from the ACC45 form) will be recorded for that claim.

Queries or concerns

If you have any questions about the information provided, ACC will be happy to work with you to answer these. You can contact us at GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz or in writing to *Government Engagement and Support, PO Box 242, Wellington 6140.*

You have the right to complain to the Office of the Ombudsman about our response. You can call them on 0800 802 602 between 9am and 5pm on weekdays, or write to *The Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.*

Yours sincerely

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