



# Late effects

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## Continuing education test

**Directions:** Determine whether each of the following statements is true (T) or false (F) based on information derived from the article.

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| <b>T</b>                 | <b>F</b>                 |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 1. A patient presents with scarring as the result of a now healed burn that occurred one year ago. The scarring is a complication of the burn.  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 2. A patient has malunion of a fracture that occurred two months previous. The malunion is a late effect of the fracture.   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 3. A patient suffers a cerebrovascular accident (CVA) with aphasia as a late effect. To report the late effect, look to codes 905.xx–909.xx.  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 4. A patient experiences late effects due to accidental poisoning. In this case, a late effect code from category E929.x may be appropriate to describe the cause of the accidental poisoning.  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 5. A one-time cancer patient develops cataracts linked to chemotherapy treatments that ceased three years prior. Too much time has passed to report the cataracts as a late effect.   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 6. A patient suffers chronic liver dysfunction due to an accidental overdose of acetaminophen one year earlier. Report 909.0 <i>Late effects of poisoning</i> as the primary diagnosis, followed by 573.9 <i>Liver dysfunction</i> and any applicable E-codes as secondary diagnoses.   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 7. The patient has short leg syndrome as a result of a leg fracture during an auto accident six years earlier. To code this, report 736.81 <i>Unequal leg length (acquired)</i> as the primary diagnosis, followed by 905.4 <i>Late effect of fracture of lower extremity</i> and any applicable E-codes as secondary diagnoses.  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 8. A patient with late effects from a previous cerebrovascular accident (CVA) experiences a stroke. To code this, report the late effects of the previous CVA as primary, and the current episode secondary.  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 9. The patient experiences transient ischemic attack (TIA) and cerebral infarction with no neurologic symptoms. This is reported with V12.54.   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 10. A patient experiences seizures as a late effect of stroke. Seizures are not listed specifically among the residual conditions classified in category 438.xx. Therefore, you must report 438.89 <i>Other late effects of cerebrovascular disease</i> . You should also report a second code to describe the seizure specifically (e.g., 780.39 <i>Other convulsions</i> ). |

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