The National Centre for Classification in Health (NCCH) is Australia’s leading centre of expertise in health classification systems and their applications. Classifications are the building blocks for health information and describing health is essential to improving Australia’s wellbeing and providing a firm base for research.

NCCH is currently contracted by the Independent Hospital Pricing Authority (IHPA) to develop and maintain ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS with work now commenced on the Eleventh Edition of the classification. NCCH also collaborates with the Health Information Management Association of Australia (HIMAA) in organising the annual National HIMAA and NCCH conference.

The team at NCCH consists of Australia’s top experts in health classification for diseases and health interventions, and their application for multiple purposes.

NCCH is also an active participant in the World Health Organization Family of International Classifications (WHO-FIC) Network through the Australian Collaborating Centre and has been involved in the development of ICD-11 for Mortality and Morbidity Statistics (ICD-11 MMS) and the International Classification of Health Interventions (ICHI).

NCCH expertise includes:

- Classification development
- Clinical knowledge of diseases and other health conditions
- Clinical knowledge of health interventions
- Activity based funding/casemix
- Functioning and disability classification (ICF)
- Classification research
- Primary care terminology (ICPC2+)
- Classification education and implementation
- Health classification publishing
- Bridge/coding maps – between classifications
Health Classification Education

NCCH designs and delivers health classification education and training for industry needs. We have assisted a range of international clients in adopting the Australian Classification System package including New Zealand, Ireland and Singapore.

Fundamentals of Morbidity Coding – updated for Tenth Edition

Fundamentals of Morbidity Coding presents a core understanding of how to classify diseases and procedures using ICD-10-AM, ACHI and the application of the Australian Coding Standards (ACS).

Fundamentals of Morbidity Coding provides a history on the development of classification systems and describes the purpose of clinical coding.

The main areas of the classification are discussed with exercises relevant to each section to test the user’s knowledge of the classification.

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