MORBIDITY CODING TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION

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Initial work:

- Create a questionnaire? Send to which countries?
- Write mission statement?
- Update existing core curriculum for morbidity?
- Trainer application for morbidity has been modified in line with underlying cause & is currently under review
MORBIDITY CODING PROCESS IN VARIOUS COUNTRIES

• U.S.- Kathy Giannangelo/Margaret Skurka
• U.K.- Chris Sweeting
• Germany – Stefanie Weber
• Korea- Joon Hong
• Australia- Sue Walker/Megan Cumerlato
• Japan –Yukiko Yokobori
• Brazil- Cassia Maria Buchalla
• Canada – Patricia Wood
• Scandinavia – Olafr Steinum
• South Africa – Debbie Bradshaw/Elaine Sauls
UK model of certifying morbidity coders

- Recommendation is to apply for UK National Clinical Coding Qualification (NCCQ) with at least two years experience of coding
- Self-Directed study guidelines available
- Examination workshops available with ‘mock exam’ component
- Two 3 hour papers – Theory includes A&P, Medical Terminology
- Practical includes ‘quick-fire questions as well as case-studies
- Pass mark deliberately kept high – 90% for practical & 60% for theory – both papers to be passed at same time for accreditation
Questions for Education Committee

• Shall we wait for the work of the MbRG before proceeding?
• Shall procedures be included in certifying process?
• Shall only ICD-10, and no clinical modification be used?
• How will the test be administered?