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VERSION 7.2.0

Dear dm+d User,

**Sitagliptin oral solution sugar free AMPs on dm+d – care is needed**

For VMPs; oral liquids are routinely expressed as ‘strength per 5ml’ on dm+d, even when this differs from the product name in the SmPC.

Care is needed with sitagliptin oral solution AMPs.

Under the VMP Sitagliptin 125mg/5ml oral solution sugar free, the Zentiva Pharma UK Ltd entry has been updated in dm+d to:

* Sitagliptin **25mg/ml** oral solution sugar free (Zentiva Pharma UK Ltd)

Under the VMP Sitagliptin 100mg/5ml oral solution sugar free, the AMPs are expressed per 5ml:

* Sitagliptin 100mg/5ml oral solution sugar free (Alliance Healthcare (Distribution) Ltd)
* Sitagliptin 100mg/5ml oral solution sugar free (Thame Laboratories Ltd)

dm+d is **not** a clinical decision support tool and we would not normally be communicating such scenarios, but in view of the Zentiva AMP update and being mindful that these strengths are not so dissimilar, we thought prudent and pragmatic to bring this to the attention of the recipients of this dm+d communication.

**UPDATE: Xarelto® (Rivaroxaban granules for oral suspension) dm+d Pack Size Updates Are On Hold For Now**

Further discussion has taken place and we will **not** be making the changes to Xarelto pack sizes from 1st August 2023, contrary to what was previously communicated.

A decision has been made to continue with the VMPPs and AMPPs in dm+d reflecting the ‘bottle sizes’ for the time being.

Bayer Plc are liaising with DHSC, CPE and the NHSBSA to re-consider how best to support the representation of Xarelto pack sizes going forwards.

Please bear with us and we apologise for any inconvenience caused.

**Shift to use of UK extension IDs for all VMP concepts in both dm+d and SNOMED CT UK Drug Extension**

The changes for the shift to use of UK extension IDs for all VMP concepts in both dm+d and SNOMED CT UK Drug Extension are now being made and are available in TRUD. The roll out plan of batches and list of concepts effected by these changes are available [here](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fdigital.nhs.uk%2Fservices%2Fterminology-and-classifications%2Fuk-medicines-terminology-futures%2Fchanges-to-digital-terminologies%2Fvirtual-medicinal-products-changing-from-snomed-core-code-to-snomed-uk-extension&data=05%7C01%7Cvictoria.robinson7%40nhs.net%7Cd5890993ea97433b498908db4bdb66ba%7C37c354b285b047f5b22207b48d774ee3%7C0%7C0%7C638187177908875060%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=wwhFqqAikLyg%2F9YG5FNG2GYiLLL85ghKSTJcLosNp4o%3D&reserved=0). Please always refer to the webpage in the link above for the latest information on the changes taking place. A [document](https://nhsengland.kahootz.com/gf2.ti/f/762498/166330309.1/DOCX/-/Identifying%20VMP%20ID%20Changes.docx) is available which advises how technical queries might be written to query dm+d data to identify VMP ID changes from either TRUD or the NHS England Terminology Server.

Further information about the above changes and the others planned for later in 2023 is available at the [UK Medicines Terminology Futures](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fdigital.nhs.uk%2Fservices%2Fdigital-and-interoperable-medicines%2Fuk-medicines-terminology-futures%2Fchanges-to-digital-terminologies&data=05%7C01%7Cvictoria.robinson7%40nhs.net%7Cd5890993ea97433b498908db4bdb66ba%7C37c354b285b047f5b22207b48d774ee3%7C0%7C0%7C638187177908875060%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=EyGFNvXIx3UhKeJwjMqxLQS%2Fh6IAcPKxUt9yuzSjMrI%3D&reserved=0) pages. If you have any queries relating to any of the changes, please contact the delivery team at [nhsdigital.ukmeds@nhs.net](mailto:nhsdigital.ukmeds@nhs.net)

**VMP ‘<Drug Form>’ coded attribute in dm+d – updated website content published.**

Following feedback from stakeholders, the Pharmacy Terminology team have updated the website content on the page: [Updating the NHS dm+d ‘<DRUG\_FORM>’ coded attribute within the Virtual Medicinal Product concept class - NHS Digital](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fdigital.nhs.uk%2Fservices%2Fterminology-and-classifications%2Fuk-medicines-terminology-futures%2Fchanges-to-digital-terminologies%2Fupdating-the-nhs-dm-d-drug_form-coded-attribute-within-the-vmp-concept-class&data=05%7C01%7Cvictoria.robinson7%40nhs.net%7Cccc30d7492cd45b6979c08db6ceae126%7C37c354b285b047f5b22207b48d774ee3%7C0%7C0%7C638223528269375633%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=iVgvM6qbk7SsoXrb64IX0kcVHI5IHizFJYypOkvUZyw%3D&reserved=0). We have published further detail about the changes being made, including examples and timeframes for the work. Please always refer to the webpage in the link above for the latest information on the changes taking place.

Updating the ‘<DRUG\_FORM> attribute will begin with a sample batch. The sample batch will include the new drug forms for **‘Ointment’** and is expected to take place **at the end of August 2023**. The exact date of the changes will be confirmed closer to the time.

For further information about all the enhancements, including those above, read [https://digital.nhs.uk/services/digital-and-interoperable-medicines/uk-medicines-terminology-futures](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fdigital.nhs.uk%2Fservices%2Fdigital-and-interoperable-medicines%2Fuk-medicines-terminology-futures&data=05%7C01%7Cvictoria.robinson7%40nhs.net%7Cd5890993ea97433b498908db4bdb66ba%7C37c354b285b047f5b22207b48d774ee3%7C0%7C0%7C638187177908875060%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=5Dzf5s1Y2nNabv3Bn33zElVQTnX1KxEPYmgdOl%2F7kFY%3D&reserved=0).

**New dm+d webpage**

A new webpage has been created which consolidates all the key information about the NHS dictionary of medicines and devices (dm+d).

The page contains:

* an introduction to dm+d and its use as a fundamental standard
* the dm+d data model and key use cases of the main concept classes
* links to dm+d resources such as eLearning modules, policies, implementation and mapping guidance
* links for accessing dm+d data through the browsers, Terminology Server and TRUD
* videos providing an overview of the enhancements being made to the terminologies and using the Terminology Server
* contact information for implementation and technical queries and support with the development changes of the terminologies.

The webpage can be accessed through this [link](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fdigital.nhs.uk%2Fservices%2Fterminology-and-classifications%2Fdm-d&data=05%7C01%7Cvictoria.robinson7%40nhs.net%7Cd5890993ea97433b498908db4bdb66ba%7C37c354b285b047f5b22207b48d774ee3%7C0%7C0%7C638187177908875060%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=2PK8jEktUw%2BjSKoYrv1yelsISuxTZEquZbqPqhAI7s8%3D&reserved=0).

**DHSC require these concepts to be made available and visible (similar to licensed medicines) in prescribing and dispensing systems for the time being.**

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| **Specials/Imports added at request of DHSC to mitigate shortages in the supply chain** | | | |
| **AMP Name** | **AMP SNOMED Code** | **Import/Special** | **dm+d extract date** |
| Desmopressin 150micrograms/dose nasal spray | 38955011000001100 | Imported | 14/09/2020 |
| Desmopressin 150micrograms/dose nasal spray | 38996011000001101 | Special Order | 21/09/2020 |
| Cloral betaine 707mg tablets | 39069011000001104 | Imported | 12/10/2020 |
| Terizidone 250mg tablets | 41330211000001101 | Imported | 12/12/2022 |
| Cycloserine 250mg capsules | 38961511000001103 | Imported | 12/12/2022 |
| Selegiline 5mg tablets | 41527211000001102 | Imported | 20/03/2023 |
| Selegiline 10mg tablets | 41527511000001104 | Imported | 20/03/2023 |
| Bupropion 150mg modified-release tablets | 38961311000001109 | Imported | 20/03/2023 |
| Capsaicin 0.025% cream | 41539411000001105 | Imported | 27/03/2023 |
| Capsaicin 0.075% cream | 41540711000001105 | Imported | 27/03/2023 |

**Invalidations**

None

**Advance Notice of Invalidations**

The following concepts will be invalidated mid-July. The concepts have been reauthored under the sugar free VMP.

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **AMP** Colecalciferol 3,000units/ml oral solution (A A H Pharmaceuticals Ltd) | **AMP** Colecalciferol 3,000units/ml oral solution sugar free(A A H Pharmaceuticals Ltd) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID** 29714011000001102 | **AMP SNOMED ID** 41797011000001103 |
| **AMPP** 100ml | **AMPP** 100ml |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID** 29714111000001101 | **AMPP SNOMED ID** 41797111000001102 |

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **AMP** Colecalciferol 3,000units/ml oral solution(Alliance Healthcare (Distribution) Ltd) | **AMP** Colecalciferol 3,000units/ml oral solution sugar free (Alliance Healthcare (Distribution) Ltd) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID** 29294111000001107 | **AMP SNOMED ID** 41797211000001108 |
| **AMPP** 100ml | **AMPP** 100ml |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID** 29294411000001102 | **AMPP SNOMED ID** 41797311000001100 |

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **AMP** Colecalciferol 3,000units/ml oral solution(Thame Laboratories Ltd) | **AMP** Colecalciferol 3,000units/ml oral solution sugar free (Thame Laboratories Ltd) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID** 29317511000001101 | **AMP SNOMED ID** 41796811000001107 |
| **AMPP** 100ml | **AMPP** 100ml |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID** 29318011000001105 | **AMPP SNOMED ID** 41796911000001102 |

The following concept will be invalidated mid-August. The pack size was added erroneously, and the concept has been reauthored under the correct VMP.

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **VMP** Hydrocortisone sodium succinate 100mg powder and solvent for solution for injection vials(VMP not being invalidated) | **VMP** Hydrocortisone sodium succinate 100mg powder for solution for injection vials |
| **VMP SNOMED ID**  4195211000001100 | **VMP SNOMED ID**  13893711000001102 |
| **VMPP**  10 vial | **VMPP**  10 vial |
| **VMPP SNOMED ID**  41439511000001101 | **VMPP SNOMED ID**  13870711000001103 |
| **AMP**  Hydrocortisone sodium succinate 100mg powder and solvent for solution for injection vials (Pfizer Ltd) (AMP not being invalidated, has existing pack) | **AMP**  Hydrocortisone sodium succinate 100mg powder for solution for injection vials (Pfizer Ltd) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID**  41235311000001106 | **AMP SNOMED ID**  42028011000001107 |
| **AMPP**  10 vial | **AMPP**  10 vial |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID**  41439811000001103 | **AMPP SNOMED ID**  42028111000001108 |

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