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VERSION 9.0.0

Dear dm+d User,

**Updating the SNOMED CT UK Drug Extension model to reflect the SNOMED International model for national drug extensions.**

NHS England is providing an update to the [information](https://nhsengland.kahootz.com/t_c_home/viewBlogArticle?articleID=1247161&done=OBJChangesSaved) posted in July regarding the planned [Phase 1 changes](https://digital.nhs.uk/services/terminology-and-classifications/uk-medicines-terminology-futures/changes-to-digital-terminologies/updating-the-snomed-ct-uk-drug-extension-model/aligning-dm-d-vmp-class-medicinal-products) to the SNOMED CT UK Drug Extension.

**NHS England will go live with these changes in release 41.0.0 due 1 October 2025**

Further information about this work can be found on our [NHS England webpage](https://digital.nhs.uk/services/terminology-and-classifications/uk-medicines-terminology-futures/changes-to-digital-terminologies/updating-the-snomed-ct-uk-drug-extension-model)

If users would like to discuss this work further, contact: [nhsdigital.ukmeds@nhs.net](mailto:nhsdigital.ukmeds@nhs.net)

**Pinewood Healthcare AMPPs on dm+d — Dispensing System Suppliers May Wish To Support System Users**

We are not able to capture accurate and up to date price information from Pinewood Healthcare currently. For the time being we have removed price information from all Pinewood Healthcare AMPPs (e.g. Acidex oral suspension aniseed and peppermint packs).

Dispensing system suppliers may wish to support system users with alerts/reminders to pharmacy dispensing teams to endorse at the point of dispensing.

**Influenza vaccinations for the 2025/26 season**

The listing of all [vaccines marketed for the 2025/26 season](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/influenza-vaccines-marketed-in-the-uk/all-influenza-vaccines-marketed-in-the-uk-for-the-2025-to-2026-season-text-version) is now complete.

**Addition of 'Ingredients for VTMs' in dm+d (XML) release files and SNOMED CT UK Drug Extension**

The recent work to add the ingredients to Virtual Therapeutic Moieties (VTMs) that needed populating has been completed, with **VTM ingredient information now available to view on the dm+d browser.**

The [dm+d Editorial Policy](https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/pharmacies-gp-practices-and-appliance-contractors/dictionary-medicines-and-devices-dmd) has now been updated to reflect the latest policy and will continue to be updated as-and-when any other exclusions are identified

Additional information about the change is available on the following [webpage](https://digital.nhs.uk/services/terminology-and-classifications/uk-medicines-terminology-futures/changes-to-digital-terminologies/addition-of-ingredients-for-vtms-in-dm-d-xml-release-files-and-snomed-ct-uk-drug-extension).

**USER FEEDBACK SOUGHT**

**Misalignment between the terminologies remains for a small subset of identifiers**

* We are unable to map some ingredient identifiers to their respective VTMs.
* Realignment requires reuse of identifiers, restricted by current Editorial Policy
* **We require feedback from dm+d users** on the impact of reusing identifiers.

Please contact us with any concerns at [dmdenquiries@nhsbsa.nhs.uk](mailto:dmdenquiries@nhsbsa.nhs.uk) with subject heading “Impact of reuse of identifiers”

If you have any specific queries relating to the dm+d and SNOMED CT UK Drug Extension changes, please contact [nhsdigital.ukmeds@nhs.net](mailto:nhsdigital.ukmeds@nhs.net)

**Monthly dm+d Supplier Workshop**

NHS England hosts a monthly workshop for IT system suppliers to discuss dm+d content and implementation queries.  It is an opportunity to speak with colleagues from NHS England and the NHSBSA who manage the terminology.

If you are a system supplier who is interested in joining the group, please contact [medicinestandards@nhs.net](mailto:medicinestandards@nhs.net) for more information.

**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 |
| Capsaicin 0.025% cream | 41539411000001105 | Imported | 27/03/2023 |
| Capsaicin 0.075% cream | 41540711000001105 | Imported | 27/03/2023 |
| Griseofulvin 125mg tablets | 42441511000001104 | Imported (United States) | 27/11/2023 |
| Griseofulvin 500mg tablets | 42441811000001101 | Imported (United States) | 27/11/2023 |
| Hydrogen peroxide 3% solution | 42510811000001109 | Imported | 18/12/2023 |
| Creon 10000 capsules | 43034611000001101 | Imported | 15/07/2024 |
| Creon 25000 capsules | 43034811000001102 | Imported | 15/07/2024 |
| Pancreaze Delayed-Release capsules | 43035111000001108 | Imported | 15/07/2024 |
| Ipratropium bromide 250micrograms/1ml nebuliser liquid unit dose vials | 43093511000001105 | Imported | 22/07/2024 |
| Ipratropium bromide 500micrograms/2ml nebuliser liquid unit dose vials | 43094411000001109 | Imported | 22/07/2024 |
| Methylphenidate 18mg modified-release tablets | 43210911000001100 | Imported | 02/09/2024 |
| Methylphenidate 27mg modified-release tablets | 43211511000001100 | Imported | 02/09/2024 |
| Methylphenidate 36mg modified-release tablets | 43211911000001107 | Imported | 02/09/2024 |
| Methylphenidate 54mg modified-release tablets | 43212411000001109 | Imported | 02/09/2024 |
| Pangrol 10,000 capsules | 43788211000001100 | Imported | 23/09/2024 |
| Pangrol 25,000 capsules | 43788511000001102 | Imported | 23/09/2024 |
| Imiquimod 5% cream 250mg sachets | 41526711000001106 | Imported | 02/12/2024 |
| Quetiapine 50mg modified-release tablets | 44616911000001103 | Imported | 17/02/2025 |
| Quetiapine 150mg modified-release tablets | 44617411000001108 | Imported | 17/02/2025 |
| Quetiapine 200mg modified-release tablets | 44617711000001102 | Imported | 17/02/2025 |
| Quetiapine 300mg modified-release tablets | 44618011000001103 | Imported | 17/02/2025 |
| Quetiapine 400mg modified-release tablets | 44618311000001100 | Imported | 17/02/2025 |
| Fluorouracil 5% cream | 44618611000001105 | Imported | 17/02/2025 |
| Sodium fusidate 250mg tablets | 44619211000001103 | Imported | 17/02/2025 |
| Fusidic acid 250mg/5ml oral suspension | 44619511000001100 | Special Order | 17/02/2025 |
| Desmopressin 10micrograms/dose nasal spray | 44920311000001108 | Imported | 17/03/2025 |
| Flucytosine 500mg capsules | 44920711000001107 | Imported | 17/03/2025 |
| Diazepam 2mg/5ml oral suspension | 19674911000001101 | Special Order | 17/03/2025 |
| Triamcinolone acetonide 10mg/1ml suspension for injection ampoules | 42991511000001109 | Imported | 14/04/2025 |
| Triamcinolone acetonide 40mg/1ml suspension for injection vials | 42991811000001107 | Imported | 14/04/2025 |
| Galantamine 8mg modified-release capsules | 44970311000001109 | Imported | 21/04/2025 |
| Galantamine 16mg modified-release capsules | 44970611000001104 | Imported | 21/04/2025 |
| Galantamine 24mg modified-release capsules | 44970911000001105 | Imported | 21/04/2024 |
| Mefloquine 250mg tablets | 44993111000001108 | Imported | 05/05/2025 |
| Hyoscine 1mg/72hours transdermal patches | 44993411000001103 | Imported | 05/05/2025 |
| Gentamicin 20mg/2ml solution for injection ampoules | 44993711000001109 | Imported | 05/05/2025 |
| Mefenamic acid 50mg/5ml oral suspension | 11484811000001108 | Special Order | 05/05/2025 |
| Colistimethate 1million unit powder for nebuliser solution unit dose vials | 45040411000001101 | Imported | 12/05/2025 |
| Tolterodine 2mg modified-release capsules | 45130111000001103 | Imported | 19/05/2025 |
| Tolterodine 4mg modified-release capsules | 45130611000001106 | Imported | 19/05/2025 |
| Rifampicin 300mg / Isoniazid 150mg tablets | 45163811000001108 | Imported | 02/06/2025 |
| Lidocaine 10mg/dose spray sugar free | 45164011000001100 | Imported | 02/06/2025 |
| Lidocaine 5% / Phenylephrine 0.5% nasal spray | 45164311000001102 | Imported | 02/06/2025 |
| Yellow fever vaccine (live) powder and solvent for suspension for injection 0.5ml vials | 45399211000001102 | Imported | 18/08/2025 |
| Rifampicin 300mg capsules | 45399511000001104 | Imported | 18/08/2025 |
| Pyrazinamide 500mg tablets | 45399711000001109 | Imported | 18/08/2025 |
| Rifater tablets | 45400011000001109 | Imported | 18/08/2025 |
| Voractiv tablets | 45400311000001107 | Imported | 18/08/2025 |
| Rifampicin 600mg powder and solvent for solution for infusion vials | 45400511000001101 | Imported | 18/08/2025 |
| Rifampicin 150mg capsules | 42442611000001106 | Imported | 18/08/2025 |

**Invalidation****s**

None

**Advance Notice of Invalidations**

These AMP/AMPPs are being invalidated mid-September as they were authored erroneously. For Unit Dose Eye Drops, where regulatory approved company literature references the usable volume, we will use this as the basis for authoring in preference to the pack size.

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **VMP** Dorzolamide 20mg/ml / Timolol 5mg/ml eye drops 0.2ml unit dose preservative free (VMP not to be invalidated) | **VMP**  Dorzolamide 20mg/ml / Timolol 5mg/ml eye drops 0.166ml unit dose preservative free |
| **VMP SNOMED ID**  10931011000001100 | **VMP SNOMED ID**  42389711000001107 |
| **VMPP**  60 unit dose (VMPP not to beinvalidated) | **VMPP**  60 unit dose |
| **VMPP SNOMED ID**  10929011000001103 | **VMPP SNOMED ID**  42386011000001104 |
| **AMP**  Dorzolamide 20mg/ml / Timolol 5mg/ml eye drops 0.2ml unit dose preservative free | **AMP**  Dorzolamide 20mg/ml / Timolol 5mg/ml eye drops 0.166ml unit dose preservative free |
| **AMP SNOMED ID**  23477811000001102 (AAH Pharmaceuticals Ltd)  39079911000001108 (Alliance Healthcare (Distribution) Ltd)  36757211000001100 (Aspire Pharma Ltd)  41833311000001100 (Blumont Pharma Ltd) | **AMP SNOMED ID** 45341911000001101 (AAH Pharmaceuticals Ltd)  45342011000001108 (Alliance Healthcare (Distribution) Ltd)  45342511000001100 (Aspire Pharma Ltd)  45342211000001103 (Blumont Pharma Ltd) |
| **AMPP**  60 unit dose | **AMPP**  60 unit dose |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID**  23478011000001109 (AAH Pharmaceuticals Ltd)  39080011000001109 (Alliance Healthcare (Distribution) Ltd)  36757311000001108 (Aspire Pharma Ltd)  41833411000001107 (Blumont Pharma Ltd) | **AMPP SNOMED ID**  45342311000001106 (AAH Pharmaceuticals Ltd)  45342111000001109 (Alliance Healthcare (Distribution) Ltd)  45342611000001101 (Aspire Pharma Ltd)  45342411000001104 (Blumont Pharma Ltd) |

The following concepts will be invalidated mid-September as they were added erroneously.

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **VMP**  Clonazepam 500microgram tablets (VMP not to be invalidated) | **VMP**  Clonazepam 500microgram tablets (VMP not to be invalidated) |
| **VMP SNOMED ID**  42127411000001107 | **VMP SNOMED ID**  42127411000001107 |
| **VMPP**  100 tablets (VMPP not to be invalidated) | **VMPP**  100 tablets (VMPP not to be invalidated) |
| **VMPP SNOMED ID**  1063711000001105 | **VMPP SNOMED ID**  1063711000001105 |
| **AMP**  Clonazepam 500microgram tablets (Drugsrus Ltd) (AMP not to be invalidated) | **AMP**  Clonazepam 500microgram tablets (Drugsrus Ltd) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID**  42793411000001101 | **AMP SNOMED ID** 45345211000001108 |
| **AMPP**  100 tablets | **AMPP**  100 tablets |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID**  45325111000001100 | **AMPP SNOMED ID**  45345311000001100 |

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **VMP**  Clonazepam 2mg tablets (VMP not to be invalidated) | **VMP**  Clonazepam 2mg tablets (VMP not to be invalidated) |
| **VMP SNOMED ID**  42127311000001100 | **VMP SNOMED ID**  42127311000001100 |
| **VMPP**  100 tablets (VMPP not to be invalidated) | **VMPP**  100 tablets (VMPP not to be invalidated) |
| **VMPP SNOMED ID**  958011000001104 | **VMPP SNOMED ID**  958011000001104 |
| **AMP**  Clonazepam 2mg tablets (Drugsrus Ltd) (AMP not to be invalidated) | **AMP**  Clonazepam 2mg tablets (Drugsrus Ltd) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID**  42793811000001104 | **AMP SNOMED ID** 45345011000001103 |
| **AMPP**  100 tablets | **AMPP**  100 tablets |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID**  45324611000001107 | **AMPP SNOMED ID**  45345111000001102 |

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **VMP**  Flurbiprofen 8.75mg lozenges (VMP not to be invalidated) | **VMP**  Flurbiprofen 8.75mg lozenges sugar free (VMP not to be invalidated) |
| **VMP SNOMED ID**  42104411000001107 | **VMP SNOMED ID**  45332211000001104 |
| **VMPP**  16 lozenges (VMPP not to be invalidated) | **VMPP**  16 lozenges (VMPP not to be invalidated) |
| **VMPP SNOMED ID**  3755911000001106 | **VMPP SNOMED ID**  45315811000001103 |
| **AMP**  Strefen Eucalyptus and Manuka Honey 8.75mg lozenges | **AMP**  Strefen Eucalyptus and Manuka Honey 8.75mg lozenges |
| **AMP SNOMED ID**  43659411000001106 | **AMP SNOMED ID** 45351411000001106 |
| **AMPP**  16 lozenges | **AMPP**  16 lozenges |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID**  43659911000001103 | **AMPP SNOMED ID**  45351511000001105 |

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **VMP**  Generic Allens Dry Tickly Cough oral solution (VMP not to be invalidated) | **VMP**  Generic Kilkof oral solution |
| **VMP SNOMED ID**  8025211000001103 | **VMP SNOMED ID**  45405711000001101 |
| **VMPP**  100ml (VMPP not to be invalidated)  150ml  200ml | **VMPP**  100ml  150ml  200ml |
| **VMPP SNOMED ID**  8026211000001109  9047211000001107  41064811000001100 | **VMPP SNOMED ID**  45397611000001105  45397711000001101  45397811000001109 |
| **AMP**  Kilkof oral solution (Bell,Sons & Co (Druggists) Ltd) | **AMP**  Kilkof oral solution (Bell,Sons & Co (Druggists) Ltd) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID**  9047011000001102 | **AMP SNOMED ID**  45398311000001104 |
| **AMPP**  100ml  150ml  200ml | **AMPP**  100ml  150ml  200ml |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID**  9047111000001101  9047311000001104  41064911000001105 | **AMPP SNOMED ID**  45398411000001106  45398511000001105  45398611000001109 |

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